

Kansas Hay Market Report

For the week ending May 11, hay market prices were mostly steady across the state and demand for all hay was light to moderate as cattle return to pastures. The cool weather is keeping the hay from really taking off. Most folks are another two to three weeks out, however, some folks have been spotted swathing and baling up alfalfa. Those who have managed to get some bales put up report that the alfalfa was a little light and point the finger at insect and frost damage. Producers report they are receiving a lot of inquiries concerning new crop. Although more new crop prices were reported recently, many producers are still not ready to shake on it. According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service, (NASS), pasture and range conditions rated 3% very poor, 9% poor, 34% fair, 50% good, and 4% excellent. According to the U.S. Drought Monitor for the week of May 4th, abnormal dryness (D0) increased to 41%, moderate drought (D1) decreased to 8%, and severe drought (D2) decreased to 1%. If you have any extra hay to sell and/or need hay here in Kansas, use the services of the Internet Hay Exchange: www.hayexchange.com/ks.php.

** Prices below reflect the average price. There could be prices higher and lower than those published.

Southwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, ground and delivered steady, grinding alfalfa steady to 5.00 higher; movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares 260.00-280.00. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV, Supreme 185-237.00.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-178.50. Stock or Dry Cow 175.00-185.00. Current Grinding alfalfa 175.00-185.00. New Crop grinding alfalfa 170.00-180.00 with an instance at 195.00. Current Ground and delivered locally to feed lots and dairies, 200.00-220. New Crop ground and delivered 190.00-205.00; Grass Hay: large 4x4 squares 95.00-105.00; Sudan: large rounds 75.00-85.00. Wheat straw, small

squares 3.50-4.50/bale, large 3x4 squares 80.00-90.00. The week of 5/2-5/8, 11,699T of grinding alfalfa and 850T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

South Central Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, alfalfa pellets, steady; grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow. Alfalfa: horse, small squares 255.00-275.00. Dairy, 1.00/point RFV, Supreme 185.00-225.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-178.00. Good, Stock cow, 175.00-185.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa 160.00-175.00 delivered. Ground and delivered 170.00-185.00 with an instance at 190.00-200.00. Alfalfa pellets: Sun cured 15 pct protein 200.00-215.00, 17 pct protein 210.00-220.00, Dehydrated 17 pct 305.00-310.00. Grass Hay: Bluestem, 3x3 square 115.00-125.00, 3x4 and 4x4 squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds 70.00-80.00. Brome: large 3x4 squares 85.00-95.00, large rounds 80.00-90.00. Teff: large rounds 135.00-145.00. Sudan: large rounds 90.00-100.00. Corn stalks: 65.00-75.00; Wheat straw: 60.00-70.00. The week of 5/2-5/8, 7,356T of grinding alfalfa and 584T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

Southeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady, grass hay steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 230.00-240.00. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV. Stock cow 155.00-165.00. Fair/Good grinding alfalfa, large rounds 135.00-145.00. Ground and delivered, none reported; Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 125.00-135.00, good 3x3 squares 100.00-120.00, good, 3x4 and 4x4 squares 90.00-120.00, large rounds 60.00-70.00. Brome, good, small squares 120.00-125.00, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 90.00-120.00, large rounds 70.00-80.00. Wheat Straw: 3x4 and 4x4 squares 60.00-80.00. The week of 5/2-5/8, 1,330T of grass hay was reported bought/sold.

Northwest Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, ground/delivered steady, grinding alfalfa steady, movement slow. Alfalfa: horse or goat, 220.00-230.00. Dairy, Premium/Supreme 1.00/point RFV. Stock cow, fair/good 165.00-175.00. Fair/good grinding alfalfa, 130.00-140.00. Ground and delivered, not a large enough sample to report. Sudan, large rounds 60.00-70.00. Wheat straw, large squares none reported.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy alfalfa, grass hay, grinding alfalfa, ground/delivered steady; movement slow to moderate. Alfalfa: horse, premium small squares, 9.00-10.00/bale. Dairy 1.00-1.05/point RFV, Supreme 185-237.00.00, Premium 170.00-195.00, Good 150.00-178.50. Stock Cow, 160.00-170.00. Fair/

good, grinding alfalfa, 120.00-130.00. Ground and delivered 160.00-170.00. Grass hay: Bluestem, small squares 6.50-7.50/bale, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 100.00-105.00, large rounds 60.00-90.00. Brome, small squares 6.50-7.50/bale, 3x4 to 4x4 squares 105.00-115.00, large rounds 80.00-90.00; Sudan, large rounds, 75.00-80.00. Wheat Straw: small squares 5.00-6.00/bale, large 4x4 squares 75.00-85.00, 100.00-110.00 delivered, large rounds 65.00-75.00. The week of 5/2-5/8, 4,909T of grinding alfalfa and 437.5T of dairy alfalfa was reported bought/sold.

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

*RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula.

**TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage).

Source: Kansas Department of Agriculture - Manhattan, Kansas, Kim Nettleton 785-564-6709

K-State to host wheat plot variety tours across the state

Coming soon to a location near you: the opportunity to learn about the newest wheat varieties available, plus their agronomics and how they hold up to disease challenges.

After more than a year of virtual-only events, Kansas State University will host numerous wheat plot variety tours across the state starting this week and stretching into June.

"This is an excellent way for producers to see and hear about what's available and what farmers in their own area have experienced with these new varieties," said Romulo Lollato, K-State Research and Extension wheat specialist.

From Dodge City to Parsons and other locations around the state, more

than 50 tours are planned. Dates and locations are on the K-State Agronomy eUpdate website or by contacting a local K-State Research and Extension office.

For more questions, contact Lollato at lolato@ksu.edu.

"These wheat demonstration plots are usually organized by the county or district agents in collaboration with farmers in their region, giving growers an opportunity to see how the varieties behave when planted in a commercial operation before deciding to adopt a given variety. Our farmer collaborators are extremely important to make these events happen and we really appreciate their support."

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REAL ESTATE & PERSONAL PROPERTY AUCTION
TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2021
Real Estate Sells at 6:00 PM (Personal Property to follow)
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OPEN HOUSE: SUNDAY, JUNE 6 * 1-3 PM

DESCRIPTION
TRACT 1: (Home w/10 +/- acres). This wonderful property is the type that is hard to find. At just under 1300 sq. ft on the main floor with a 3 bed/2bath layout and having a full unfinished basement there is tons of space for the new owner(s) to enjoy. On the outside there will be plenty of room to play as well. The acreage and the outbuildings which consist of 40x40 shop w/concrete floor, 40x60 enclosed building and another 40x52 open sided pole barn.

TRACT 2: (80 +/- acres). Here is a mixed use acreage that will allow the new owner a variety of options. As it sets it has approximately 50 acres of crop ground, around 20 acres of hay meadow and waterways. The remainder comes in the form of timber and a pond which provides some unique recreational potential as well.

TRACT 3: Tract 1 + Tract 2

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*Personal Property Highlights: 2020 Case IH 100C w/loader and 2084 Landpride mower (both are like new with few hours!)

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Tuesday, June 8 @ 7:00pm
Where: Brigitte's Cafe,
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Directions: Take Rain Road south from Chapman to 1800 Ave., then east 2 miles to Trail Rd or 1 mi. west of Woodbine and 3 miles north @ Trail Rd/1700 Ave

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10:30 AM BOTH DAYS
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SELLING SATURDAY, MAY 22, 10:30 AM
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Grandfather clock, German Shrunken, Dropleaf table, Large selection of trunks both flat & Humpback, Roll top desk, German tall Shrunken with bench, Barrister Bookcase 3 sections w/leaded glass, Cast iron Boiler, Half round display case, Half Secretariat, Kellogg Crank phone, Round crank butter churn, 10 gal Red Wing crock, Ft. Riley Soldier picture, Player piano and rolls, Walrus figurines, loon figurines, native Alaskan wooden basket, Panama Rail Road spike, Japanese cranes in-and-out neck vases nativity set, 5 gallon blue band crock with handles, clowns and figurines, homes table, floor scale, old iron lamp stand, Animal figurines, hobnail glass, large mounted Misc. belt buckle collection, Corvette belt buckles, presidential Busto, state and presidential medals, Japanese jar, exercise bike, Stein collection, electric organ, large World globe, walking sticks, African animal figurines and carvings and masks, African wildlife prints, small wood stove, John Deere plate, elk figurines, lamp replica coffee mill, African woven baskets, Egyptian Pyramid and other items, wall clock, Golf clubs, Hunting Clothes, Fishing Poles, Gun Cabinet & **Much More!**

1926 Model T (very nice)
Riley County Police Dept. and Seized assets: 2016 Ford Explorer, 2016 Ford Taurus, 2010 Toyota Corolla, 2016 Ford Taurus, 30+ bicycles, Tools, Electronics, Radar Guns, furniture, jewelry & much more.

SELLERS: JOE MEINHARDT LIVING ESTATE, KDOR

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Weather factors are contributing to rise in price of corn

The price of corn in the United States has been increasing this year and is now approaching record highs. As of recently, according to the *Wall Street Journal*, corn prices are up 50%, with the cost of a bushel at \$7.73, and prices are closing in on highs not seen since 2012 when drought decimated crops across the Midwest and sent prices soaring to \$8.31 a bushel, the *Journal* reported.

Like in 2012, the weather is a factor in the rising corn prices and, once

again, drought is the primary trigger. However, it's affecting farmers in Brazil rather than in the U.S.

With rainfall amounts far below normal, the weather pattern in Brazil continues to stress corn crops, which are now in the critical pollination stage. Last November, AccuWeather experts warned that this year's crop would be adversely impacted by the dry weather.

AccuWeather founder and CEO Joel N. Myers sees the sharp increases

in corn prices "as a result mainly of weather impacts." Myers said the current rise in prices dates back to August of last year after U.S. corn farmers took a hit when a derecho caused widespread damage across Iowa, the nation's top corn-producing state. AccuWeather estimated economic damages from the storm, which raked across a 770-mile swath of the heartland, to total \$11.2 billion.

Myers said the derecho damage was just the beginning because corn

prices are influenced by what happens elsewhere around the world. And right now, what's happening in Brazil is exacerbating the rise in prices.

"It looks like the corn production in Brazil could be as low as 25% less than it looked even a month ago because of this ongoing drought," Myers said. "And there doesn't look to be any end to that."

Indeed, AccuWeather forecasters expect the dry conditions to persist in Brazil in the near term. "Rainfall the next two

weeks continues to look much below normal (25-50% of normal)," AccuWeather vice president of forecasting Marshall Moss said.

AccuWeather meteorologists forecast the Brazilian corn production will produce 92 million metric tons; however, there is a 20% chance that number can be as low as 88-90 million metric tons.

"From what we can tell, this is at the lower end of other private estimates, but we feel confident in this number,"

Moss explained.

What does this all mean for the American consumer?

"You're going to notice in the supermarket an increase over the next three to four months, I think, of 15, 20, 25%," Myers said. He added that Americans being required to spend more on staples - as the *Wall Street Journal* noted, corn is used in the production of everything from Coca-Cola to tortilla chips and is an ingredient in gasoline - will mean household costs will rise.

Enhanced Bayer Carbon Program offers growers new opportunities in 2021 and beyond

Building on the success of the Bayer Carbon Program launched last summer, the company has announced enhancements to the program, providing new opportunities for U.S. growers to participate for the 2021-22 program season.

Highlights include a significant geographic expansion, nearly doubling the number of states where growers are eligible to participate. For the first time, growers who have previously adopted some climate-smart farming practices also may be able

to enroll those acres in the program.

The Bayer Carbon Program takes a farmer-centric approach by offering growers simplicity, certainty and flexibility. By paying U.S. farmers for implementing climate-smart farming methods such as strip- or no-till and cover crops, which help sequester carbon in the soil, farmers receive guaranteed payments and are rewarded for how they produce, not just what they produce.

"Farmers are at the center of the solution when it comes to helping sequester carbon and addressing climate change," said Jackie Applegate, president of Crop Science, North America. "By enabling farmers to benefit in a simple and transparent way, Bayer is uniquely positioned to help growers capture value created by these sustainable farming practices."

The streamlined approach has become a hallmark of Bayer's program. It offers certainty and pays growers for the verified practices farmers adopt on each enrolled acre, without growers having to decipher the amount of carbon they generate.

"Through our Carbon Advisory Panel and meetings with growers, we've heard from farmers that they appreciate the simplicity of the program, which allows them to focus on what they do best - raise a crop," said Leo Bastos, head of Carbon Business Model. "We are excited to build on the success of the program's first year and offer even more growers the chance to participate in the program. This is just the beginning. We're continually exploring new ways and opportunities to help deliver added benefits to farmers."

In addition to generating additional revenue, participating in initiatives like the Bayer Carbon Program and implementing climate-smart farming practices may provide farmers with important benefits such as the potential for improved soil health that can result in increased yields and profitability of farmers' operations.

Enhancements for the

Swine entries earn honors at Flint Hills Classic Spring Livestock Show

227 market hogs were shown at the Flint Hills Classic Spring Livestock Show, with Dr. Mark Hoge evaluating the entries.

Grand Market Hog Overall - Kaleigh Byram, Sheldon, Mo.; Reserve Market Hog Overall - Mason Forkner, Richards, Mo.; Senior Grand Showman - Abi Lillard,

Abilene; Senior Reserve Showman - Carly Dreher, Iola; Intermediate Grand Showman - Calla Higbie, Quenemo; Intermediate Reserve Showman - Jacob DeRouche, Wamego; Junior Grand Showman - Elim Higbie, Quenemo; Junior Reserve Showman - Colton Imthurn, Maple Hill.



Kaleigh Byram of Sheldon, Missouri is shown with her Hamp that won Grand Champion Market Hog at the Flint Hills Classic Spring Livestock Show April 25 in Eureka.



The Crossbred pig shown by Mason Forkner of Richards, Missouri won Reserve Grand Champion Market Hog at the Flint Hills Classic Spring Livestock Show in Eureka.

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2021-2022 program season include eligibility for growers who have adopted strip- or no-till or cover crops on fields on or after January 1, 2012.

In addition to the nine states that were part of the program's first year, new states where growers are now eligible to participate include: Wisconsin, South Dakota, Nebraska, Arkansas, Mississippi, Louisiana, Maryland and Delaware.

For a complete list of eligible geographies, to learn more or enroll in the 2021 Bayer Carbon Program, please visit www.BayerCarbon.com.



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DIRECTIONS: From Dwight head north on Hwy. 57 3 mi. to Cutoff Rd. then 1 mi. west; From I-70 take Hwy. 57S approx. 15 mi. south to Ridge Rd. then head 1 mi. south.




TRACTORS, TRUCKS, COMBINES & TRAILERS (Start at 10am on small items): 1981 JD 4440 dsl. w/cab, air & heat, Quad Range trans., Factory Duals, approx. hours 9492; 1966 JD 3020 dsl. Sync Range trans., WF, 3 pt, 50 hrs on complete eng. overhaul; 1958 Massey Ferguson 35 gas w/Massey Ferguson Loader Trip Bucket; 1997 JD 9600 Anniversary Special, cab air & heat, 4460 eng. hrs, 3289 sept. hrs, w/924 Ridged head platform; 2000 GMC 3500 4x4 pickup V8 4 spd. w/DewEze bale bed; 1970 Chevy C50 15.5' metal bed, V8 4 spd. 2 spd., 72765+/- mi. w/stock racks; 2004 gooseneck Trailmen 6x22' livestock trailer; bumper pull Hale 16' stock trailer; (3) 4-whl. hay trailers (2 JD running gears); 24' factory made header trailer; shop made 6x12' lawn mower trailer w/drop gate. **HAY & TILLAGE EQUIP.:** JD 960 field cultivator 25'; JD 630 tandem disc 21'; Miller 14' offset disc; JD 1600 12-shank chisel, pull type; JD 145 5-btm plow; JD rear mount 3 pt. row crop cultivator 6-row 30'; 694 6-row 30' planter; 2 JD FBA 16x8 w/2 drill hitch drills; JD R ground driven manure spreader (needs wood); JD R manure spreader PTO driven; Hesston 8200 self propelled swather 14' w/cab & air, 4 cyl. dsl.; JD 640 side delivery rake; NH haybine 273 sq. baler, twine tie; Farm Hand 8-bale hyd. accumulator; Welco 8 bale fork; Vermeer 504 Super 1 round baler; 2-whl bale cart; 3 pt. bale mover. **CATTLE EQUIP., TOOLS & MISC.:** 4 metal big bale hay feeders; 4 round btm. feed bunks; 2 sq. btm. feed bunks; 2 plastic round btm. feed bunks; (10) 10' port. cattle panels; Powder River calf cradle; 8' 42' grain auger PTO driven; pull behind road drag for driveway; 2-whl sprayer w/tank, not running; pickup bed for 2000 GMC 3500; slide in pickup stock rack; 150 gal. transport fuel tank w/12v pump; 2 pickup fuel tanks; torch gauges & hoses; 3/4" socket sets; wrench set from 1 1/8"-2"; parts washer; portapower; Ryobi 1/2" drill press var. speed; drill bits; hyd. hose fittings; chain boomers; redwood 2x4s; group of misc lumber; group of 1/2" sucker rod; several pieces of 3/8" rebar.

Auctioneer's Comment: Jim had farmed his whole life & taken very good care of his equipment; many more items not listed on the sale bill will be auctioned. Come & spend the day with us. For Information Call Jim Patterson (785) 482-3578.

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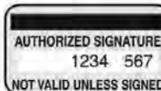
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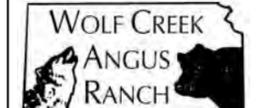
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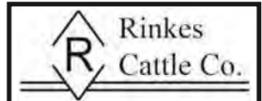
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The May 5 announcement of California-based Hilmar Cheese Company building a processing plant in Dodge City is an exciting win for the local community, according to the manager of a Kansas Department of Commerce program that certifies property in the state for economic development.

Jonathan Clayton also said Hilmar's move is indicative of work now being done by the Department of Commerce's Certified Sites Program, which establishes a set of requirements to make sure land is ready for investment.

"(The relocation of Hilmar Cheese) was a community and group investment that is going to pay dividends for decades to come," Clayton said. He spoke during K-State Research and Extension's monthly online series, First Friday e-Calls, which helps to nurture small businesses and inspire entrepreneurship in Kansas.

Clayton said the Certified Sites Program is in place to help ensure that locations being considered are ready for economic development - or "shovel ready" - by the time a business or entrepreneur is ready to move in. Certification includes meeting a set of requirements to demonstrate that the property is ready for investment.

"Certifying a site reduces the risk involved for investors and economic development projects," Clayton said. "It helps the investor make a wise decision and get a perfect fit for their business or investment."

The Kansas Department of Commerce certifies sites across the state based on factors such as available workforce, access to utilities, community partners, environmental stewardship and more, Clayton said. A listing of

sites currently certified in Kansas is available online.

Clayton said the Hilmar Cheese Company project had support from city, county and state leaders, and the Dodge City region had the potential to provide the needed workforce.

Hilmar Cheese is investing \$450 million in its new processing facility, which is expected to break ground in the next few months. The new facility will create an estimated 247 jobs in Dodge City, and an additional \$550 million in capital investment and 750 jobs within a 50-mile radius of Dodge City.

In a release from the company, CEO and president David Ahlem called Dodge City an "ideal choice" given its central location, critical existing infrastructure, proximity to the local dairy industry and business-friendly climate.

"(Attracting this company to Kansas) would not have been possible if not for the commitment of the entire community," Clayton said. "We had the support of educational leadership, utility leaders - who offered affordable and competitive rates - and local and county government partners with state leadership and economic development agencies."

Ultimately, the project worked because "the workforce is the right fit, the utilities are the right fit and the community can support the business coming in," Clayton said.

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Sen. Marshall calls on Senate leadership to preserve tax provision beneficial to farmers, ranchers, and small business owners

U.S. Senator Roger Marshall, M.D. led a group of his colleagues in sending a letter to Majority Leader Chuck Schumer and Republican Leader Mitch McConnell, urging them to oppose the alteration or elimination of step-up in basis in any tax reform or infrastructure proposal, especially in relation to agriculture. This tax provision is a key tool for the continued success of multigenerational family farms and ranches. In part, the letter reads:

"Step-up in basis is a key provision used by farm and ranch operations across the country to maintain multigenerational operations and ensure the economic growth and viability of these businesses into the future. Removal of this provision would devastate hardworking farm and ranch families and disincentivize the agriculture industry from passing down from generation to generation. While some argue that removal

of this provision would only impact the wealthiest of family dynasties, it instead disproportionately impacts hardworking, middle-class families, workers, and the broader economy as a whole. We strongly oppose any attempt to eliminate this provision." (Full text of letter):

Leader Schumer and Leader McConnell,

We write today to respectfully urge you to oppose the alteration or elimination of step-up in basis in any tax reform or infrastructure proposal, especially in relation to agriculture. Removing or repealing this tax provision would be detrimental to family farms and ranches, many of which are small businesses. This tool is one of the few options for these hardworking families who wish to continue multigenerational family farms and ranches.

Step-up in basis allows a farmer or rancher to pay capital gains taxes only on the property's increase

in value after inheritance rather than on the full increase in value since it was initially purchased by a parent or grandparent. Farm assets including land, equipment, and livestock are subject to stepped-up basis. In recent years, the asset values in agriculture have appreciated significantly, with cropland values increasing by more than 120% since 1997 in more than half of states across the country. In much of the heartland, this number increases to over 200% appreciation, and in some cases over 300%, in farmland values since the U.S. Department of Agriculture began tracking this data in 1997. What this means is that across the country, farmers and ranchers are facing an average capital gains tax of \$560 per acre, according to the American Farm Bureau Federation. This amount is significantly larger than the rental cash income generated on farmland and the average

profit per acre. The bottom line is that it would take several years of income to pay such a large and burdensome tax obligation.

A recent study conducted by EY highlighted that eliminating step-up basis would have negative impacts on family-owned businesses, U.S. gross domestic product, and job creation both now and in the future. At a macroeconomic level, the repeal of this tax provision would increase the cost of capital and place a disproportionate burden on workers, reducing both overall wages as well as job availability. EY estimates in the report that US GDP will fall by \$100 billion over the next ten years, and creates compliance concerns and legal disputes between taxpayers and the Internal Revenue Service.

The increased tax burden borne by family-owned businesses will lead to increased liquidation of assets. Many estimate that the one-time

capital gain experienced after the elimination of this tax provision could be much larger than the annual income of the actual business, requiring either the assumption of significant new debt or liquidation of key assets, severely limiting the business' viability moving forward. According to EY, "both the estate tax and any efforts to repeal step-up in basis will create cash flow problems for family businesses and increase the likelihood that these job creators will be forced to close or liquidate part of their operations, resulting in job losses and economic damage."

Step-up in basis is a key provision used by farm and ranch operations across the country to maintain multigenerational operations and ensure the economic growth and viability of these businesses into the future. Removal of this provision would devastate hardworking farm and ranch families and

disincentivize the agriculture industry from passing down from generation to generation. While some argue that removal of this provision would only impact the wealthiest of family dynasties, it instead disproportionately impacts hardworking, middle-class families, workers, and the broader economy as a whole. We strongly oppose any attempt to eliminate this provision.

Sincerely,

Senator Roger Marshall, M.D., Senator John Hoeven, Senator Chuck Grassley, Senator Jim Risch, Senator Ted Cruz, Senator Kevin Cramer, Senator M. Michael Rounds, Senator Deb Fischer, Senator Jerry Moran, Senator Jim Inhofe, Senator Joni Ernst

CC: The Honorable Ron Wyden, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee

The Honorable Mike Crapo, Ranking Member, Senate Finance Committee

Bringing relevance and value to the beef industry

By Holly Martin, Angus Communications

Beef industry organizations will need to evolve in order to continue to bring value in the future. That philosophy is particularly true for breed associations, said Mark McCully, chief executive officer of the American Angus Association.

McCully spoke recently during the Dr. Harlan Ritchie Symposium for the American Society of Animal Science.

"I think it comes down, very simply, to relevance," he said. "We all understand that you have to maintain relevancy. You have to continue to bring value."

Fostering profitability of commercial cattle producers is what brings value to breed associations like the American Angus Association.

Part of that strategy is to guard against complacency — something that

can be hard for members of an Association established in 1883. Seedstock breeders and their breed associations must fight against the tendency to become complacent. Driving for constant improvement is hard when the status quo can be comfortable.

"The pace of change today is so incredible," McCully said. Any organization today has to stay nimble and make decisions in a fast and efficient way. If the last year has taught us anything, he said, it is to adjust as needed.

While change is never comfortable, no matter whether you are a breed association, a company or an individual breeder, it is necessary. Focusing on what will drive the beef industry helps, he said.

"We need to think more about genetic solutions and the commercial industry," he said. "After all, that's what we're here to do."

One of the ways breeders and their associations can continue to evolve is to adopt disruptive technologies. In the 1950s, artificial insemination was one of those disruptive technologies.

"It was a technology that was very controversial at the time," McCully said. "Today it seems kind of silly to think of that as disruptive."

Being closed-minded and looking at technology as a threat will not benefit the industry.

"We have to be very open and quick to embrace and adopt those technologies that may very well change the procedures of what we do," he said. "We need to make sure that we keep our members relevant to the commercial industry and moving forward."

The need for data will not change, but the ways we collect and think about it may. Associations will

then be charged with making the most of the data.

"I think we have to be very diligent as a breed association to make sure we are building tools that are focused on profitability and biological balance."

Biological balance is a term McCully uses to describe avoiding extremes that could lead to unintended consequences.

In the beef cattle world, the generation interval is longer than other species.

"When we make a mistake, when we get in the ditch, it takes us an awfully long time to get up out of the ditch," McCully urged breeders and associations to be thinking about tools that stress optimal production for different environments.

One only has to look back with clarity of hindsight to the 1980s when the industry was seeking the highest frame scores. We know now, there were a lot of unintended conse-

quences to chasing maximums, McCully said.

In addition to providing the right kind of breeding tools to members, other association-offered programs are important. In the case of the American Angus Association, marketing programs like AngusLinkSM are focused on the commercial cattleman, McCully said. They benefit members by helping their commercial customers achieve more profit. The American Angus Association's AngusLink program helps document the value of calves with genetic merit and process-verified programs.

"It's about creating value," McCully said.

In the ever-changing marketplace, making those tools widely available to commercial cattlemen is important.

Where the industry used to describe cattle by hide color and condition, today it is headed toward

programs that document the genetic capabilities of groups of cattle.

In the future, McCully also sees the Association serving additional needs. As the speed of change continues, Angus breeders are asking for more education, McCully said. "I believe to stay relevant, we're going to have to be an educational resource."

For the Angus breed specifically, education is one of the long-range objectives adopted recently. That plan will help guide the Association in the future.

"It's about driving breed improvement. It's about enhancing the membership experience and success. It's about focusing on the commercial cattleman and the consumer that ultimately trusts the product we are producing," McCully said.

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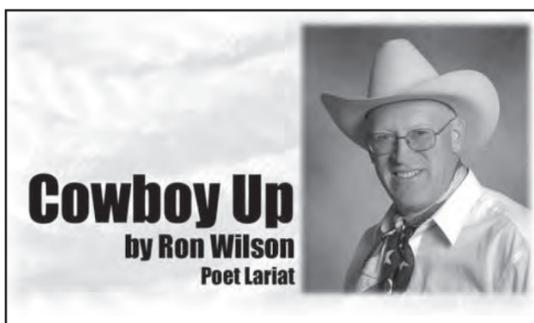
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Cowboy Up
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Westerners

Who's in the corral? I'm not referring to those standing inside the fence out by the barn, I'm referencing those who are part of an organization that honors the American history of the west. This Kansas organization is celebrating its golden anniversary in 2021. Specifically, the Kansas Corral of the Westerners was formed 50 years ago this year.

The Kansas group is an affiliation of Westerners International. According to the Westerners International website, this organization is committed to "fun and scholarship in and about the American West." The website adds that the organization is working against "stuffed-shirtism" (Good for them! I've heard of lots of bad "-isms," but that one is a first).

As evidence of the fun nature of the organization, take a look at its western-themed titles. First of all, each local chapter is called a Corral or a Posse. In Kansas, for example, there is a Kansas Corral based in north central Kansas and a Hays City Corral to the west of us, plus a Kansas and Missouri Corral in Kansas City. Instead of president and vice-president, the leaders of each Corral are called Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff. The person who keeps minutes of meetings is called the Recorder of Marks and Brands. The one who takes care of the bank account is called the Keeper of the Chips, the editor is called the Ink Slinger, etc. No

stuffed shirts are in sight.

Westerners International was founded in 1944 with the creation of the first Corral in Chicago. The organization has grown from there.

Is the West a geographical place or a state of mind? That is a philosophical question best discussed late at night around a campfire. You and I might think of Dodge City or Abilene or Tombstone as the West, but there are fans of western culture all around the world.

For example: Westerners International has 60 Corrals around the U.S. and 20 overseas. There is the Los Angeles Corral in California and the Potomac Corral based in Washington DC. There are also Corrals in Austria, Belgium, the Czech Republic, England, Germany, Japan and more. That makes the Westerners truly International. The uniting factor among these disparate groups is an interest in western history.

Cheryl Collins of Manhattan is the current Sheriff of the Kansas Corral of Westerners. She is always a wealth of historical information. She shared a March 17, 1971 *Salina Journal* article which explained that several staff members of the Eisenhower Center in Abilene were members of the Westerners Corral in Kansas City but got tired of driving to K.C. for meetings. They found there was quite a bit of interest in the region so they created their

own Kansas Corral which still operates a half-century later.

"Riding the range with the Kansas Corral of the Westerners gives the opportunity to explore, discuss, and discover Western American history with a wide variety of people with a similar interest," Cheryl stated. "The Westerners have always included both academic and amateur historians, as well as those with a casual interest in the West."

"The thing I appreciate most about Westerners International and specifically the Kansas Corral of the Westerners is the opportunity to explore history in a variety of ways (papers, talks, tours and more) with a variety of interesting people (scholars, eclectics and more)," Cheryl said. "It is always interesting, and always fun," she said.

The in-person meetings of the Kansas Corral, including historical presentations, were suspended due to COVID but leaders are working toward re-opening. For more information or to join, contact kswest1971@gmail.com. They'd be glad to open the gate and welcome you into the corral.

American Royal World Series of Barbecue returns September 16-19

The American Royal recently announced the World Series of Barbecue, the world's largest barbecue competition, will return to the Kansas Speedway from September 16th to September 19th, 2021. This marks the 41st year for the event, with competitors attending from all around the world.

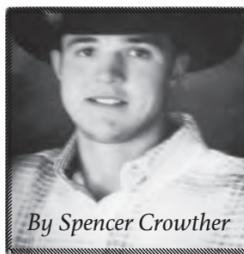
"The World Series of Barbecue is often referred to as the 'family reunion' of competitive barbecue," says Glen Alan Phillips, president and CEO of the American Royal. "It's the one time during the year where all of the competitors, from the elites to the amateurs, get together in one space to fire up hundreds of smokers - and have a great time in the process."

The epic weekend will once again bring together world-renowned pitmasters to compete for the title of Grand Champion in both the Open and Invitational contests. The Barbecue attracts hundreds of teams to the Kansas Speedway, an ideal venue that affords ample space for contestants and guests. As in previous years, competitors will be able to host private events in their respective spaces. Public facing programming and attendance levels are still to be determined, based upon recommendations from public health officials. Team registration is currently open and single-entry ticket will be available at a later date.

"As a non-profit focused on agriculture education and advocacy, this is our highest-profile event and biggest fundraiser," comments Phillips. "We can't wait to fill the Kansas Speedway with an international community of barbecue enthusiasts."

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, last year's competition was unable to take place. For 2021, the American Royal will work with the Unified Government of Wyandotte County and state officials to ensure the event follows local, state and national safety guidelines. And competitors in the Invitational Contest and Kids Que who qualified to compete in 2020 will be eligible to participate in this year's events.

For more information about the American Royal Association and the World Series of Barbecue, visit <https://www.americanroyal.com/bbq/>.



By Spencer Crowther



Over the years I've taken friends and loved ones to the property I purchased in the Flint Hills of Kansas, and I continually get the same comment "it's beautiful out here, but what do you do with it?"

The easiest answer to "what it can do" is to first explain the intrinsic value it has, the fact that it can turn otherwise worthless native grass sprouting between the chunks of jagged limestone and shale into thousands of pounds of beef every year, or the value of the yearly harvest of whitetails from the draws littered with 100-year-old oak and walnut trees.

For me you must look to the past to see the true value. When I do that I realize that I am now a part of history which carries more value than money ever will.

This particular piece of land's only water source is a creek fed by a spring flowing from the base of one of the land's many

towering hills of bluestem grass and limestone rock. As I stand by that creek, I realize that I could be standing in the exact same place that a Pawnee warrior may have made camp and watered his horse. The crossing where I cross by truck to check cows may have been the exact same spot where settlers crossed in their covered wagon on their way west. That very same creek now serves my cattle through the hot Kansas summers. We are now a part of history.

Standing atop the hills looking down, I can imagine the herds of buffalo grazing along. The buffalo wallows below the hills prove the magnitude of their impact, a permanent tattoo left on the face of the prairie by their existence. I now watch over as my cows match hoof prints with the great bison of the plains. We are now a part of history.

Those same hilltops at sunrise and sunset reveal God's majestic painting. It awakens the soul, as if He painted it specifically for you. From the same spot, night reveals the stars like no other place on earth. Clear enough you almost

feel closer to them, and with outreached arms you could pull the cosmos to your feet. Even though I feel alone, I know I'm not the only one to stand in this place atop the world. We are a part of history.

Two massive draws cut the property in pieces making it impassable except on foot or horseback. Walking down these vertical slopes to the river of trees below, the sign of wildlife is everywhere. A tom gobbles off in the distance, squirrels barking for territory above, and saplings ravaged from rutting bucks. Sitting above the trees in the cool fall air, I wait motionless for the opportune moment to cross their path. The hours spent solitarily waiting, shift my mind to the fact that I'm hunting descendants of the same deer the Brave and Pioneer alike both hunted for sustenance. We are now a part of history.

Before me, the same family tended the land for 100 years. For the next 100 years it will be me and my family's obligation to tend and protect this land; to show everyone what this land can do and the value past beauty alone it holds. We have now become a part of its history and we are writing the next chapter. When our chapter is finished, I don't want it to read purely of monetary investment, but an investment in the future and the soul. We will always be a part of history.

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Kansas Corral

By Ron Wilson, Poet Lariat
Corralling western history buffs seems like a worthwhile cause, 'Cause learning of such history is worth a studied pause.

The history of the West is full of fascinating tales Of pioneers and Indians, cowboys and cattle trails. It came to stand for values which our people hold today: Independence yet being a good partner along the way, Of doing the right thing, of courage to take a stand, Of being a good steward of one's home, livestock and land.

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Thanks to the Kansas Corral for the need they have addressed, For 50 years of honoring the history of the West. Happy Trails!
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8 bwf str	488@170.00	7 red hfrs	427@156.50
8 blk bwf str	528@169.50	12 blk bwf hfrs	412@156.00
4 blk bwf str	528@169.00	9 bwf rwf hfrs	473@151.50
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6 blk str	613@167.00	8 blk hfrs	513@149.00
8 blk bbf str	563@166.00	6 blk red hfrs	516@140.00
5 blk red str	520@163.00	19 blk hfrs	533@137.75
10 blk bwf str	602@157.00	5 blk hfrs	565@136.00
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8 blk	534@143.50	5 mix	610@157.50
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		4 blk	569@135.00		

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Butcher Bulls: \$65-\$105.00, mostly \$89-\$101.00, very active.
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2 blk	1553@78.00	1 Char	1265@71.00
2 blk	1605@77.00	1 Rd	1315@70.00
1 blk	1515@77.00	1 Char	1210@70.00
1 bwf	1510@77.00		
1 bwf	1640@76.00	1 blk	2070@105.00
3 blk	1550@75.80	1 blk	1850@103.50
3 bwf	1148@74.00	1 Braunvieh	1870@100.00
2 blk	1563@74.00	1 blk	1635@98.00
2 bkRd	1580@73.50	1 wf	1665@94.00
1 blk	1080@73.00	1 blk	1560@89.00
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House had a passion for agriculture and the cattle industry and wanted young people to have an opportunity to earn a career in agriculture. The Bill House Hereford Foundation is established in his memory. **Joshua Butler**, Gueda

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ence **Hannah Van-Cleave**, Galesburg, Fort Scott Community College, Agricultural Education **Nagomi Watanabe**, Arkansas City, Kansas State University, Veterinary Medicine.

Four tips to keep rumens running strong during heat stress

Climbing temperatures may be inevitable this time of year, but dairy cow productivity doesn't have to be a casualty of heat stress. The key to success is minimizing decreases in dry matter intake and keeping rumens – and your herd – operating at peak efficiency.

“Reduced intake can lead to digestive upsets

and lowered milk and milk component production,” says Tony Hall, Technical Services-Ruminant, with Lallemand Animal Nutrition. “But investing in heat abatement technology and in your herds' ration – from dry cows to lactating cows – is crucial. Focusing on quality forages and feedstuffs, plus management changes will

help diminish the negative influence heats stress has on feed intakes, your herd and your bottom line.”

As you prepare for the upcoming heat stress season, consider these four factors to overcome its effects and rev up your cows' rations:

1. Focus on rumen function: Heat stress in dairy cows is a function of heat

and humidity, along with increased body heat generated during dietary fermentation and digestion. When cows are exposed to heat stress, they often experience a reduction in the diversity of the rumen microbes, leading to digestive disruption.

In short, intakes drop, rumen pH is affected, rumen microbes do not operate at peak efficiency, rumination time decreases and fiber digestion suffers. As do milk production, milk component production and feed efficiency.

“When these rumen changes occur, they result in a reduction and inefficiency of fiber digestion,” says Hall. “This causes perfectly formulated rations to not work as hard as they could or should.”

A study from Penn State University revealed a clear correlation between environmental heat stress levels, rumination time and milk production. With each ten-point increase in the Temperature Humidity Index (THI), daily rumination could be reduced by one hour and milk production by six pounds.

For a 1,000-cow herd, that's 6,000 pounds of milk a day or \$930 if milk is \$15.50 per hundredweight.

2. Invest in ration performance: There's a simple, economically attractive solution to overcome these losses and maintain profitability during heat stress. Live yeast probiotics, such as *S. cerevisiae* CNCM I-1077, help drive rumen function and milk component production

during times of heat stress for a return on investment of 5:1 or greater.

Research published in the January 2020 *Journal of Dairy Science* reinforces the ability of live yeast to drive rumen function and keep it operating at peak performance. Results showed lactating cows supplemented with *S. cerevisiae* CNCM I-1077 under severe heat stress conditions demonstrated:

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Plus, data shows ration inclusion of live yeasts such as *S. cerevisiae* CNCM I-1077 could result in a return on investment of \$0.54/head/day based on milk component improvement alone. A 1,000-cow herd would gain \$540/day.

3. Feed high-quality aerobically stable forages: Forage quality is always important, but seldom more so than during periods of heat stress. Aerobically unstable silage can cause the entire ration to heat, leading to lowered intakes and reversing the work you've done to optimize rumen function. Additionally, aerobic instability is a sure sign of nutrient loss, as well as an indicator of spoilage, molds and toxins.

“The negative effects of heat-stressed dairy cows offered a hot and aerobically unstable TMR is a

disastrous combination,” cautions Hall.

Keeping cows eating can be very expensive to “fix” once these feedstuffs are in the feed bunk. These types of products, such as acids, TMR stabilizers and mycotoxin binders can be costly ration additions, adding as much as \$0.15 per cow per day to your feed costs.

Instead, focus on providing lactating cows with the highest quality, most digestible forages and strive to maximize the inclusion of forage neutral detergent fiber (NDF) within the appetite limit of each pen.

4. Remember the basics: Lastly, don't forget about these basic heat stress mitigation tips. In addition to normal heat abatement strategies, these nutrition-focused management tips help protect feed consumption and rumen efficiency:

Provide adequate water After feeding times to counteract higher temperatures

Push-up feed frequently

Prevent sorting “Cows can continue to perform very well during the summer, despite the complications of heat stress,” concludes Hall. “Paying attention to details, reducing feeding disruptions and investing in effective nutrition solutions pay dividends in ration and cow productivity, even in the face of challenging conditions.”

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<p>We sold 1154 cattle May 11. Steer and heifer calves sold steady to \$5.00 higher. Feeder steers and heifers were \$3.00-6.00 higher. 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- 20 blk str & hfrs, 400-450 lbs., vaccinated
- 25 blk str & hfrs, 500-600 lbs., vaccinated
- 62 blk steers, 875-900 lbs.
- 60 blk steers, 925-950 lbs.
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