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Gov. Laura Kelly tours local farm, recognizes state agricultural excellence

Governor Laura Kelly and Kansas Department of Agriculture secretary Mike Beam recently visited family owned and operated Haselwood Farms, Inc., in Berryton to learn more about their corn and soybean production, and celebrate agricultural excellence in Kansas.

"Kansas farmers and ranchers put nutritious food on the plates of families around the world – and contribute significantly to our state's economy," Kelly said. "It was good to join the team at Haselwood Farms today to get an update on this year's crops, and thank them for their many contributions to our communities. My administration will continue finding ways to support our farmers, ranchers, and agribusinesses to strengthen our state and local economies."

Kansas' agricultural industry contributes more than \$70 billion to the state's economy and



Bob Haselwood, right, welcomed Governor Laura Kelly, second from right, along with Kansas ag secretary Mike Beam to his farm in Berryton to discuss corn and soybean production and celebrate Kansas agriculture.

nearly 250,000 jobs – 12% of the state's workforce. In 2020, Kansas exported over \$4 billion in goods worldwide, which is up 5.6% from the previous year, and the first time the state surpassed the \$4 billion mark since 2014.

Haselwood Farms primarily produces corn and soybeans. Currently, farmers statewide are harvesting their fall soybean crop.

"Soybeans make a significant contribution to Kansas agriculture, with nearly 5 million acres planted to soybeans and 190 million bushels produced last year," Kansas Department of Agriculture Secretary Mike Beam said. "And the soybean crop is a critical part of other ag sectors as well, producing fuel and livestock feed for livestock used worldwide. We appreciate the hard work of soybean farmers and are thankful we were able to make this visit."

NIFA invests over \$50M for beginning farmer and rancher development

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) has announced an investment of over \$50 million to 140 organizations and institutions that teach and train beginning farmers and ranchers.

"Strengthening and growing the pipeline of the next generation of farmers and ranchers is vital to the continued success of American agriculture," said NIFA Director Dr. Carrie Castille. "We recognize that beginning farmers and ranchers have unique needs for education, training, and technical assistance. Their success, especially in the first 10 years, often hinges on access to reliable, science-based information and the latest educational resources so they can improve their operations' profitability and sustainability long-term."

"This investment will support curriculum creation, as well as informational materials and professional development on a wide range of important topics for new farmers and ranchers, such as managing capital, acquiring and managing land, and effective business and farming practices. These projects will benefit a rising generation of beginning farmers and ranchers regardless of their age or production choice," Castille said.

In fiscal year 2020, NIFA awarded \$16,783,829 in Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program (BFRDP) grants. In fiscal year 2021, thanks to enhanced funding from the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of

2021, the total award investment for this program was \$50,026,684, which included 85 newly funded grants and 55 continuation projects.

NIFA's BFRDP funds three types of projects:

Standard Projects to new and established local and regional training, education, outreach and technical assistance initiatives that address the unique local and regional needs of beginning farmers and ranchers.

Educational Team Projects to help develop seamless beginning farmer and rancher education programs by conducting evaluation, coordination, and enhancement activities for Standard Projects and other non-funded beginning farmer programs.

Curriculum and Training Clearinghouse to make educational curricula and training materials available to beginning farmers and ranchers and organizations who directly serve them.

Examples of the newly funded BFRDP projects for fiscal year 2021 include:

Arkansas Land and Community Development Corporation will recruit and provide training and technical assistance to new and existing beginning farmers and ranchers throughout its 42-county service area in rural Arkansas. This project will exclusively serve military veterans, socially disadvantaged, and limited-resource farmers and ranchers. (\$383,082)

First Nations Development Institution (Colorado) will launch a Native Farmer and Rancher Apprenticeship Network to provide training, technical assistance, and networking opportunities to two groups of Native American beginning farmers and ranchers in two regions to expand business capacity, improve agricultural operations and strengthen the local and regional food supply chain in Indian Country. (\$750,000)

Kansas State University will provide start-up resources to develop the Center for Farm and Ranch Transition within the Department of Agricultural Economics to pro-

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Sorghum leaders visit Kansas



Kurt Shultz, U.S. Grains Council (USGC) senior director of global strategies, and Paige Stevenson, manager of global trade, recently visited Texas and Kansas, meeting with United Sorghum Checkoff Program (USCP) staff members to discuss international marketing strategies and program priorities for this year's crop. Shultz and Stevenson also had the opportunity to meet with sorghum traders and growers, receive updates on recent market trends, and speak with producers about their plans for next year. Pictured in a sorghum field near Fowler are from left: Florentino Lopez of Creando Mañana; Stevenson; Shultz; Norma Ritz Johnson of USCP; and Jeffry Zortman, Kansas farmer and USCP board member. The field was raised by Zortman.

Courtesy photo

Fall harvest marches on



The Cady family recently finished up fall milo harvest in Jewell County. As of the week ending October 24, corn harvested was 84%, equal to last year, and ahead of 76% average. Soybean condition rated 4% very poor, 10% poor, 31% fair, 48% good, and 7% excellent. Soybeans dropping leaves was 95%, near 97% last year and 96% average. Harvested was 57%, behind 76% last year, but near 54% average. Sorghum condition rated 4% very poor, 9% poor, 29% fair, 49% good, and 9% excellent. Sorghum mature was 93%, near 97% last year, and equal to average. Harvested was 61%, near 62% last year, but ahead of 43% average. Cotton condition rated 1% very poor, 4% poor, 45% fair, 45% good, and 5% excellent. Cotton bolls opening was 92%, near 91% last year and 89% average. Harvested was 5%, behind 10% last year, and near 8% average. Sunflowers harvested was 53%, near 56% last year, but ahead of 37% average

Photo by Lacey Cady



Fall Harvest and Cup Holders

By Kim Baldwin,
McPherson County farmer
Cup holders — it all began a few days ago when I was unable to put my drive-through dollar drinks in my cup holders. It was a fiasco witnessed by the drive-through attendant as she held my much-needed drinks out the window patiently waiting for me to take them out of her hands and drive away.

I recognized I was probably holding up the line and affecting the drive-

through team's serve time efficiency average as I fumbled around in my car focusing on those center-console cup holders. After all, this should be a quick and easy handoff!

It wasn't the engineering of the cup holders that was the problem. It wasn't that I had other already-used-cups filling the holders that was causing the delay.

What was making me scramble at the last second was a scenario that plays out in my vehicle

more than I'd like to admit. It's a constant battle between maintaining the availability of convenience or utilizing a place to put things other than cups for safekeeping.

During harvest, my cup holders are generally used for the latter, a mobile junk drawer of sorts.

Since we are currently "knee-deep" in our fall harvest, you can generally find washers, nuts, bolts, tiny tubes, fuses, tools and a lot of thingamajigs residing in those cup holders. Sometimes the items are small and flat enough to put a cup on top of and I can get away with driving around knowing that my cup and beverage will stay in its assigned spot.

Other times, I'm fumbling around in a drive-th-

ru trying to relocate ears of corn, scoop out soybeans or find a better "safe spot" for a small, yet essential item that could potentially stop harvest if it was misplaced.

Where does one put these items to make space for cups? I could put everything on the floorboard, but risk losing that little oddly shaped essential "thing" that is staying safe in the confines of the cup holder.

I could potentially put these items in the side pocket of my car door. But it's also full of even larger items that should have been put back in a toolbox.

I could temporarily put the ears of corn in my lap then throw them away once I get to the trash can

at the end of the drive-through. But maybe my husband is saving them for a good reason. Besides that's only the corn. What about all of the other things?

I could just leave everything where it is and give my passenger the responsibility of keeping both cups from spilling.

All of these scenarios whirl through my mind as I briefly take in the view from my rearview mirror knowing full well that I'm holding up traffic and keeping hungry people from their fries.

That is, until I hear an angelic voice ask, "Would you like a drink carrier for these?"

Oh, if she only knew!

I know as soon as the fall harvest wraps up my

vehicle will get a good cleaning and all of the items currently residing in my cup holders and door pockets will have new homes. My insulated mugs and drive-through drinks will once again easily fit into my cup holders

But until then, I'm sure this scene will play out at least one more time this fall. And I will again drive away reminding myself with a chuckle, "That's just life during harvest time."

"Insight" is a weekly column published by Kansas Farm Bureau, the state's largest farm organization whose mission is to strengthen agriculture and the lives of Kansans through advocacy, education and service.

Kansas crop producers urged to participate in weed management survey

By Shelby Varner,
K-State Research and Extension news

A Kansas State University weed ecologist is encouraging the state's producers to participate in a survey that she says will help with targeted weed control management strategies in the future.

Anita Dille said the 2021 Soybean and Corn Weed Management, Weed Escapes and Targeted Spraying Technologies survey is now available online, or can be found in the

Oct. 7 agronomy eUpdate from K-State Research and Extension.

"There's so many neat technologies out there now that are being developed and explored where we could be more precise and site specific in how we manage weeds," Dille said.

Dille and her colleagues on this survey — Rodrigo Werle from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and Chris Proctor from University of Nebraska-Lincoln — are intrigued to know

what producers are seeing in their fields.

"We're looking at really understanding what kind of weed management people are practicing right now in regard to focusing on corn and soybean production systems in the Midwest," Dille said.

She said the researchers want to hear responses from anyone in the industry, including farmers, crop consultants, Extension agents and advisors.

Dille said some of the questions in the survey in-

clude:

How many acres of soybeans or corn are they responsible for?

What does their current weed management program look like?

How many herbicide passes do they do?

Are they using appropriate integrated strategies in regard to pre- and post-herbicide applications?

Are they using other tools?

What weeds might their current strategies be miss-

ing?

"We want to know what weeds are escaping from producers' management strategies and what we — as weed scientists — need to be looking at," Dille said.

She added that the researchers would like to further understand producers' use of various technologies and whether they would be willing to adopt new technologies in their management strategies.

"We're really intrigued

with getting a better handle on what our producers are seeing and what we're missing and maybe we need to pull that into those winter schools that we do and sharing that information (that helps producers make) better plans for next year," Dille said.

Ultimately, Dille said she hopes the survey will provide information to create an integrated weed management strategy that leads to economic and environmental benefits for producers.

KLA member input sought at area roundtables

KLA officers and staff will host one virtual and seven in-person roundtable meetings across the state in November. During the meetings, members are encouraged to bring up issues KLA may need to address, as well as how the organization can better serve its members. In addition, updates will be provided on several issues KLA and NCBA currently are addressing on behalf of members.

Dates and locations for the meetings are November 9, Andover and Oakley; November 10, Holton; November 11, Dodge City; November 15, Great Bend; November 16, Emporia; and November 17, Cha-

nute. The virtual roundtable meeting will be held November 22.

The sessions will be from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. A complimentary beef dinner will be served at each of the in-person meetings. RSVP to shelbi@kla.org or (785) 273-5115 with the number attending and location. Specific meeting sites can be viewed by visiting www.kla.org/events-meetings. If you sign up for a virtual roundtable, be sure to provide your email address so an invitation can be sent to you with the link. This year's roundtables are sponsored by KLA Environmental Services, Inc. and LiveAuctions.tv.



It is already November? It seems like just yesterday it was early August. I had just finished hay, the crops were green, pastures were good and I had a lot of time before harvest and the end of pasture season to get things done and poof, it's November.

One of those projects was to put a couple new frost-free waterers in. No hurry, I had plenty of time. If I learned nothing else from the arctic weather we had last winter, it is the importance of frost-free waterers and not relying on hydrants and hoses. I made plans to have my backhoe guy come out yesterday and I have to say it was one of those days that worked out well in the end.

It started the day before when I went to pick up the waterers. What had been a decent supply of waterers was down to the last two when I showed up that morning. That was good because I only needed two. I guess everyone else was like me and harvest was winding up, cows were coming home, and it was time to get things ready. Why wasn't this done earlier? Like I wrote before, it seemed like I had all fall.

It was going to be a simple procedure. Find the waterline, dig up the waterline, hook up to it, trench new pipe in, dig a hole for the new waterers, hook them up and cover everything back up. Okay, now that I write it all out maybe it was not as simple as I thought, but it sure seemed simple at the time. In any case, we started by digging down to the old waterline. Simple, except the old waterline was not where I thought it was.

This is one of those cases where a little more "institutional knowledge" would be good, but we are lacking in that now. We had never messed with this waterline in the time I could remember. We managed to trace the line back from the hydrant and when we dug it up, we found an impending bad day. The line had a t-connector where it split, and the connection had started to come apart and seep. I should have gone out and bought a lottery ticket because that is one of those things that break on the worst day of the year.

As lucky for me as that was, it did slow the process down dramatically. We

had not expected to patch a waterline and we had not expected the waterline to have pipe the diameter it was. That meant we had to find supplies and a trip into town. It took a couple of calls to find the right repair connector, another casualty of the bewildering supply chain breakdown that I want someone to explain to me. That is a different topic for a different day. Suffice to say, we were lucky again to find what we needed.

Finally, back to the project, we got the line patched and started on the installation. The trenches dug relatively easily, there was minimal rock and in my part of the world that alone is minor miracle. The only rock ledge we encountered was five feet deep and that was the minimum depth we needed to go. That also solved the what do we do with the extra dirt problem,

The waterers I bought touted themselves as simple to install and they really were. I understood how they worked and that again was somewhat of a miraculous happening. However, we had to wait for the glue to have time to dry on the waterline patches, so I left the water turned off and started to feed cows.

Jennifer and I filled all of the feeders we could in anticipation of the "bomb cyclone's" arrival the next day. Is it just me or are our weather people getting more and more dramatic all the time? Rain storms are now "bomb cyclones." I was already dragging from a day of waterer installation. We started at 9:00 and finished after 5:00. It was dark by the time we finished feeding and it was the appointed time, after the proper amount of glue drying, to turn the water back on. Turning the water back on in the dark is not an easy thing to do but after some discussion with the valve it was back on. The good news was that there were no readily apparent leaks around the new waterers.

Finally, by 8:00 I was back in the house, waterers installed, leaks averted and the cows fed. Now, this morning I am sitting here with a cup of coffee listening to the rain and feeling like I won the lottery. Sometimes things just work out and when they do, one must appreciate them.

Old World Bluestems becoming a bigger issue

Frontier Extension District will host an informational meeting on Old World Bluestem November 29th at the Osage City Community Building, 307 South First Street, Osage City, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Dr. Walt Fick, KSU range management specialist, will discuss the grasses we call Old World Bluestems, where they come from, why they were introduced,

how they can be identified, and grazing animal performance. Dr. Fick will also talk about studies he has conducted to reduce or kill Old World Bluestems in native grass pastures. Scott Marsh, Kansas Department of Agriculture noxious weed director, will also be on hand to explain the state's views on Old World Bluestem and the requirements of

a county option noxious weed law. He will also discuss how a county option noxious weed would affect local producers. Rod Schaub, Frontier District agent, and Bruno Pedreira, KSU forage specialist, will share the first year's results of their herbicide date of application study. This study will continue the next couple of years thanks to a grant received by the Osage County Conservation District.

Old World Bluestem is a name that refers to cultivars of Caucasian and Yellow Bluestem. These species were introduced into the United States for conservation purposes and as a forage that could be hayed or grazed. Though called bluestems they are not closely related to our native species of big and little bluestem.

Old World Bluestems are an invasive species in Kansas. They can be controlled, but control becomes progressively more difficult and expensive the longer the grass is allowed to grow and spread.

Mark your calendar and please join us to learn more about this important invasive species.

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Sens. Moran, Marshall announce USDA grant to connect Kansas farmers and ranchers with mental health resources

U.S. Senators Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) and Roger Marshall, M.D. (R-Kan.) have announced a \$500,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Farm and Ranch Stress Assistance Network (FRSAN) grant to the Kansas Department of Agriculture (KDA) to help connect farmers, ranchers and those in agriculture-related occupations to mental health resources.

"This federal investment will provide our Kansas agricultural community with important mental health resources to help during trying times," said Moran. "Farmers, ranchers and those working within the agriculture industry livelihoods depend on factors largely outside their control, from the weather to volatile commodity prices, creating stress that can be challenging to face alone. I was a champion of the FARMERS FIRST Act, included in the 2018 Farm Bill, to make certain our nation's agricultural community has access to necessary mental health programs, and I am pleased this grant will spread awareness about the resources offered to Kansans who need assistance coping with agriculture-related stress."

provide the assistance and resources necessary to help reduce suicide rates among Kansas farmers and ranchers is some of the best money USDA has ever spent," said Marshall. "Farming is one of the most uncertain, stressful jobs in the world. This meaningful investment by USDA will provide local farmers with assistance as they cope with these ongoing challenges, while spreading mental health awareness throughout the

U.S. farm and biofuel leaders urge White House to embrace homegrown solutions

America's top biofuel and farm advocates called on President Biden to swiftly expand access to lower-carbon, lower-cost biofuels as the administration seeks to address the rising cost of fuel. In a letter to the White House, rural leaders noted that biofuels hold the power to "insulate consumers from volatile oil markets by extending the fuel supply, much like releasing oil from the Strategic Petroleum Reserve, but with sustainable results."

"Simply extracting more oil - or importing it from Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) - won't

Kansas agricultural community."

KDA plans to use the grant to create a statewide campaign to raise awareness for the KansasAgStress.org website, develop reusable media content and work to de-stigmatize the concept of mental health awareness while lowering suicides in the agriculture industry in Kansas.

Moran was an original cosponsor of the Facilitating Accessible Resources

deliver the results you are seeking for consumers or the climate," warned the Advanced Biofuels Business Council, American Soybean Association, Association of Equipment Manufacturers, Growth Energy, National Biodiesel Board, National Corn Growers Association, National Farmers Union, National Sorghum Producers, Renewable Fuels Association, and Fuels America.

To promote competitive prices while reducing emissions, biofuel and farm advocates also urged regulators to act swiftly on long-awaited biofuel blending requirements

for Mental Health and Encouraging Rural Solutions For Immediate Response to Stressful Times (FARMERS FIRST) Act, which re-established the Farm and Ranch Assistance Network. Sen. Moran is also a member of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, which funds the USDA and has supported the FRSAN program.

under the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS).

"You can put American motorists first by aggressively pursuing your stated goal of 'doubling down on the liquid fuels of the future which make agriculture a key part of the solution to climate change.' On the cusp of COP-26, this is an opportunity to show that the United States is serious about embracing new, cleaner solutions to age-old challenges," they added.

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provide critical services for beginning farmers/ranchers in Kansas. Resources will include a land-link program to match existing landowners with beginning farmers/ranchers through an application and curated matching process; one-on-one technical services to facilitate transition of an existing farm/ranch operation; and

an extensive training program for beginning farmers/ranchers to master critical financial and business skills. (\$748,347)

For more information about NIFA's Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program, visit <https://nifa.usda.gov/program/beginning-farmer-and-rancher-development-program-bfrdp>.



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Winner Jackie Doud, Topeka:
HAM LOAF

1 pound smoked ham
2 pounds fresh pork
1/2 cup bread crumbs
2 eggs
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 cup milk
Sauce:
1 cup brown sugar
2 1/2 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon dry mustard
Vinegar to make a thin paste

Grind ham and pork. Add bread crumbs, eggs, salt and milk. Form into a loaf in baking pan. Mix sauce ingredients and pour over loaf. Bake 1 1/2 hours at 350 degrees.

Linda Whiteman, Mayetta: "This is a recipe that my family really enjoys. In fact, my 38-year-old daughter has requested these for her birthday since she was 8 years old. They're great for church dinners and family reunions. You can switch the chocolate chips with other flavors of chips. Hope you like them."

MARBLE SQUARES

1/2 cup oleo
3/4 cup water
1/2 cup cocoa
2 cups flour
2 cups sugar

1 teaspoon baking soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 eggs, beaten
1/2 cup sour cream
8-ounce package cream cheese, softened
1/3 cup sugar
1 egg
16-ounce package semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 teaspoon vanilla

Combine oleo, water and cocoa in a saucepan; bring to a boil. Remove from heat. Stir in combined dry ingredients. Add eggs and sour cream; mix well. Pour into greased and floured

15-by-10-by-1-inch jelly roll pan. Combine cream cheese and sugar, mixing until well-blended. Blend in egg and vanilla. Spoon over batter. Cut through several times for a marble effect. Sprinkle with chocolate chips. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 to 35 minutes or until it passes the toothpick test. Makes about 2 dozen bars.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh:

HAMBURGER STEAK

1 pound hamburger, lean
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
Salt & pepper
2 tablespoons onion flakes
Mix all together. Shape into 4 patties about 1/2-inch thick. Fry in a little oil in skillet.

Susan Schrick, Hiawatha:

APPLE PIE TACOS

4 apples, peeled & sliced
1/2 cup sugar
2 teaspoons cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
1/2 cup water
6-inch flour tortillas
Oil (for frying tortillas)
1/2 cup sugar-cinnamon mixture
Whipped cream

Place apples, sugar, cinnamon, nutmeg and water in a saucepan. Stir until well-blended and cover and cook on medium, stirring frequently for 10 minutes or until apples are semi-soft. If needed, thicken sauce using 1 tablespoon cornstarch to 3-4 tablespoons of water. Mix into sauce and stir until thickened. Heat oil on medium heat in a skillet and holding the tortilla folded in half, place the bottom of tortilla in the oil for a few seconds. Then lay it on

one side until browned and then place other side down until browned. Remove from oil and sprinkle browned tortilla with sugar-cinnamon mixture. Fill taco shells with apple pie filling and top with whipped cream and sprinkle a little more of sugar-cinnamon mixture on top.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

ENCHILADA CHEESE BAKE

1 1/2 pounds ground beef
1 small onion
6- to 8-ounce bottle taco sauce
1 can tomato sauce
1 can ranch-style beans
Black olives
10-ounce package Cheddar cheese, shredded
1 package flour tortillas
Brown hamburger and onion; drain. Add taco sauce and tomato sauce. Line a 9-by-14-inch pan with half hamburger mixture, half tortillas, half beans, half black olives and half cheese. Repeat all layers. Bake at 350 degrees covered for 30 minutes.

Kellee George, Shawnee: "Good topped with syrup and pecans."

PUMPKIN PANCAKES

1 egg
1/2 cup pumpkin pie filling
1/4 cup milk
2 cups of boxed pancake mix

Mix all together. Cook 1/4 cup batter per pancake. Cook as usual.

Kimberly Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

RICE CASSEROLE

1 1/2 cups raw rice (not instant)
1 can onion soup
1 can chicken consomme

1/2 stick butter or margarine

1 small can mushrooms
Melt butter in a 2-quart casserole. Stir in rice and soups. Add mushrooms. Bake covered in a 350-degree oven for 30 minutes. Stir half way through.

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

BAKED CHICKEN BREAST

4 whole chicken breasts, split
8 or 9 slices of white bread, diced
1 large onion, diced

1 stick melted butter

1 egg
1/2 cup chopped celery
1/2 cup chopped pecans
4-8 slices uncooked bacon
Salt & pepper

Mix bread, onion, egg, celery, pecans and butter in a large bowl. Put filling inside chicken breast. Wrap a slice of bacon around breast to close. Toothpick can be used. Season with a dash of salt and pepper. Bake at 350 degrees until breasts test done but not dry.



Baking With Sugarbuns

By Michele Carlyon
Changing Of The Leaves

Last night I went for a walk with an old friend. As we were discussing our current day-to-day lives, the chaos that they are presenting and the overwhelming feelings that tend to go along with that, she mentioned that she was trying to make it a point to really notice the leaves changing every day. Not just a quick glance, but taking in the changes, however small or slight they might be and finding the beauty in it all.

I am a thinker, possibly an over-thinker if you ask anyone who really knows me. You say something to me, and I will think of about a million different things it could mean when in reality you probably meant it at face value. When she made her comment about the leaves, it is all I could think about for the rest of the night.

You likely do not already know this, but there are talks of momentous changes in my near future. There are talks of me moving to Topeka, which is an hour away from the place that will always be home, an hour away from my family, an hour away from some of my closest friends, an hour away from my two favorite little girls, an hour away from my job, an hour away from the home I grew up in. An hour away from everything I have ever really known.

There are talks of momentous changes in my relationship status, which would prompt said move. I am someone who could literally do the same thing day in and day out and be perfectly okay with it. I thrive off consistency and being able to anticipate what is coming next, so the thought of such momentous changes is absolutely terrifying to me, but terrifying in the best way possible.

Like the leaves changing and finding the beauty in that, I have found myself having this internal battle over the impending changes. It is a beautiful season of life, the season of life that I

honestly never thought I would have. The season of life where I have found someone who I want to spend my life with, someone who I want to start the next chapter with, in the form of my own family, but as someone who fears change, I would be lying if I said it was not scary.

I think when I tell people it is scary to me, they automatically assume that it should not be happening. I would disagree completely. I find beauty in the scary and the change. It is not a scary in the feeling that I should not do it, but more like scary in the unknown. Scary because, I, for the first time in an awfully long time do not fully know what is coming next.

Scary because I know the adjustments will be hard, and scary because I know they will be good for me, good for my personal growth, my relationship and good for the next chapter of my life. As scary as it might be, I am finding the beauty in the change. I am genuinely excited for this unknown. I do not think the scariness will go away anytime soon, but I will continue to try to take it day by day, and much like the leaves, take in the changes fully, not just a quick glance, but really take it in. Some of the changes will happen quickly, some of them will happen over time, but at the end of it all, I know that I will land right where I am supposed to, just like the leaves.

Michele grew up in Junction City and graduated from Kansas State University. She worked in the restaurant management field for six years before deciding to switch careers and now works as an office manager for a company that manufactures oilfield products. Her passion for blogging and food can be followed on Instagram: [boobsbrainsandbaking](https://www.instagram.com/boobsbrainsandbaking).

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Cut The Salt: FDA's Push A Boost For Healthier Hearts

MANHATTAN – The U.S. Food and Drug Administration's recent request for food manufacturers and restaurants to cut the salt in their products is a positive step toward reducing Americans' risk of high blood pressure and heart disease, said a nutrition specialist at Kansas State University.

Sandy Procter said reducing salt intake by 12% over the next 2½ years – the FDA's recommendation – “could save thousands of lives.”

“As a country ... we typically take in too much salt on a daily basis,” Procter said. “For years, nutritionists have advised individuals to eat less salt.”

And now, she adds, the FDA is joining the push.

“This problem is widespread and it is beyond the individual's capability to deal with,” Procter said, noting that putting away the salt shaker and limiting salt in cooking is not enough.

“For decades, nutrition professionals and educators have been urging people to use less salt. But that is not the message that is going to make a difference because there is so much salt in processed foods.”

The FDA reports that the average person in the U.S. consumes about 3,400 mg of sodium a day, approximately 70% of which comes from processed foods (not table salt). The goal is to reduce that average to 3,000 mg per day, though the U.S. dietary guidelines actually suggest 2,300 mg a day – equivalent to about one teaspoon of table salt.

Consuming too much salt is often associated with high blood pressure and heart disease. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lists heart disease as the leading cause of death in the U.S. for all adults.

Procter said consumers often don't realize that many common foods contain sodium. As an example, she mentions a simple sandwich for lunch: “Deli meat with cheese on bread, and mayonnaise or maybe mustard ... all of those foods have quite a lot of salt in them,” she said.

“We have become accustomed to salt in food, and our taste for it has increased as more of our foods are purchased ready-to-eat. It's been added

more and more by food processors throughout the years.”

The FDA's recommendations are voluntary for food manufacturers and restaurants, but could promote changes at many popular fast food restaurants and food companies.

“Salt is one of those things we develop a taste for,” Procter said. “We can get acclimated to less salt, but it's usually something that nutritionists recommend you do over time – don't try cutting excess salt out all at once.”

“If food industries would take it back gradually and lower the amount of salt, as a population we probably wouldn't notice it in our food, and it would have far-reaching, positive health effects.”

Aside from changes potentially coming in the food industry, Procter said consumers can take steps to reduce their own salt intake, including:

- * Buy low-sodium food choices at the grocery store, when available.

- * Taste your food before choosing to add salt. You may find you like it just as well without the salt.

- * Use herbs and other spices to flavor foods.

- * Add fresh or frozen vegetables to soups or other dishes to add low-salt sources of flavor. If using canned vegetables, rinse them first to reduce the salt content.

- * Choose unsalted butter when baking.

- * Ask for unsalted versions of food in restaurants, including

french fries at a fast food restaurant.

- * Reduce your portion sizes – less food equals less salt.

Procter also suggested eating more fresh fruits and vegetables, which are naturally salt-free and contain potassium.

“The amount of water that is retained in our bodies is due to a sodium-potassium pump,” she said. “Eating more fruits and vegetables really helps with increasing the potassium, which offsets the amount of sodium held in the body.”

“If we can lower the amount of sodium we are taking in, and increase the amount of potassium we take in by eating more fruits and vegetables, we are taking a healthy step and it's one of the most positive things we can do for our heart.”

More information on healthy eating is available online from K-State's Department of Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health, as well as from local extension offices in Kansas.

Links used in this story: U.S. Food and Drug Administration, www.fda.gov

Dietary Guidelines for Americans, www.dietaryguidelines.gov

U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, www.cdc.gov

K-State Department of Food, Nutrition, Dietetics and Health, www.hhs.k-state.edu/fndh

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Family-Favorite Party-Time Cheese Ball

By Ashleigh Krispense

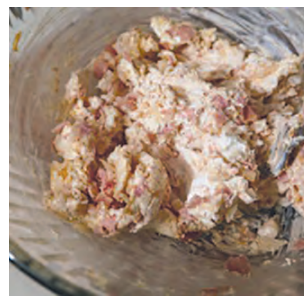
The further into fall we get, the busier my calendar seems to be. From church functions and family meals to the holidays that are fast approaching, my grand plans for (semi) elaborate dishes can often go by the wayside. This is the season when you need your most simple recipes on standby!

Here is another easy appetizer for you to add to your recipe box: Party-Time Cheeseball! Quick to whip together, it uses everyday ingredients you'll already have on hand. While some cheese balls are rolled in nuts, this one takes a more kid-friendly approach and is rolled in crushed Ritz crackers before serving.

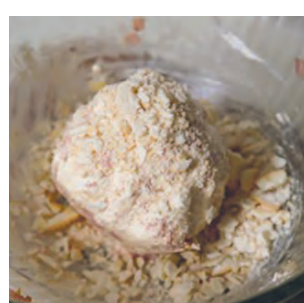
1/4 of an onion, diced finely (or more if you like onion)
 4-5 slices of ham, diced
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 1/2 teaspoon paprika
 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
 1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt (season to taste)
 1/2 to 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
 8-ounce block cream cheese, softened
 Ritz crackers



Begin by stirring together the first seven ingredients in a medium bowl.



Add the cream cheese and mix together well.



Once it is all thoroughly mixed together, shape into a ball. Crush Ritz crackers into the bowl and roll the cheeseball until it's coated thoroughly.

Move to a plate, cover and chill. Serve with crackers and enjoy!



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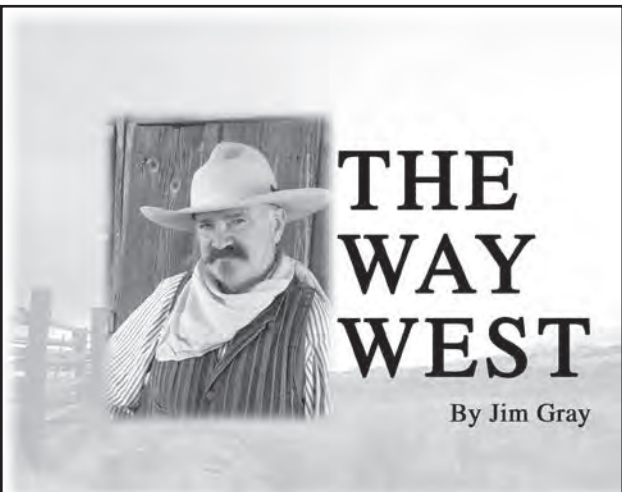
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In the opening days of the Civil War the "Kansas Brigade," led by Colonel James H. Lane, burned and looted farms and towns in an effort to "clear out" southern sympathizers in the border counties east of Kansas. Sixty-five miles east of Fort Scott they reached Osceola, Missouri, a town of three thousand citizens, on September 23, 1861. The town was put to the torch. An estimated fifteen to twenty civilians were killed. Two hundred slaves were liberated, and a great amount

of plunder was carried back to Kansas.

Lane was criticized for the action against civilians. Politically, Missouri was considered a Union state, even though it was also a slave-holding state. Union loyalties were eroding, and the sack of Osceola turned many thousands of former Union men to the Confederate cause. Confederate support had begun to grow weeks earlier with the successful invasion of Union territory led by General Sterling Price. In August Major John C.

Fremont, commander of the Department of the West, declared martial law across Missouri. Against Union policy secessionist slaves were subject to confiscation, freeing them from the slave-holders. President Lincoln feared the loss of support in border states and ordered Fremont to "modify" the proclamation, in effect nullifying the confiscation clause.

Meanwhile Fremont led more than twenty thousand troops to southwest Missouri to repel the Confederate invasion into western Missouri. On October 25, 1861, about one thousand Rebel troops were driven from Springfield under the war cry, "Fremont and the Union." At Washington, President Lincoln had already given the order on the 22nd to terminate Fremont's command.

Meanwhile, liberated Osceola slaves remained with Colonel Lane. Believing that the war was about slavery, Lane became the champion of fugitive slaves.

Fremont did not receive word of his removal from command of the Department of the West until November 2, 1861. Four days later, on November

6th, Jim Lane "The Liberator," spoke before the 24th Indiana Regiment. They had gathered at his Springfield headquarters to honor their native son. In his introduction he spoke fondly of Indiana. "She has nursed me as a mother nurses her child, and may my heart grow cold if I ever cease to be grateful to my benefactor."

Lane continued, "But the home of my adoption, toils and strife is Kansas. She was an unbroken prairie when first I set foot upon her soil. Against desperate odds, she has fought her way up to the sisterhood of States, and already her little army has become famous throughout the nation for its brave and patriotic deeds." Lane noted that slavery was "the cause of all difference - the Pandora's box from which have issued all our national troubles." Lane spoke of the slaves "stamped" from their rebel masters. He urged "Let us be bold and inscribe upon our banners - FREEDOM TO ALL."

The speech was picked up by newspapers and apparently the slaves in and around Springfield. Two nights later one hundred fifty slaves showed up in "a great stampede"

to Lane's Kansas Brigade camp. When slaveholders came to the camp to retrieve their "property" according to the Fugitive Slave Law, Lane refused to release the slaves. Reverend H. D. Fisher, Chaplain of one of Lane's regiments, was sent as escort for two hundred twenty liberated slaves to Fort Scott, Kansas. The "Black Brigade" was well-received and homes were found for all of them in the surrounding area.

Lane spoke before an audience of three thousand at a war meeting in Leavenworth. Kansas was threatened by troops from Arkansas and Texas. Lane was also a U. S. Senator and as such had asked for Kansas troops serving in the east to be returned home in defense of their homeland. He was told they could return "as soon as their places were supplied by new levies." He assured the audience "It is too long. The danger is imminent."

His solution was black troops. Black men had fought in the American Revolution and the War of 1812, why not now in the hour of need? Furthermore, Lane proclaimed, "One negro regiment in the South will create more

terror than the whole of Buel's army... This is the army I am here to aid you in forming."

Lane followed through with an order to raise a full regiment of black troops, the 1st Kansas Colored Volunteers, under the command of Captain James M. Williams. A detachment of two hundred twenty-five soldiers were ordered to the Rebel hotbed of Bates County, Missouri. Their camp was dubbed "Fort Africa." They were attacked and besieged by the Missouri State Guard and Rebel guerillas on October 27th. The Confederates were eventually forced to withdraw under a volley of withering fire. The battle at Island Mound, Missouri, drew national attention for the heroic action of America's first African American troops in the Civil War. By freeing slaves against government policy Jim Lane led the way, making Kansas the true "Home of the Free" on the Way West.

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"The integrated nature of our two agricultural sectors serves as a driving force for this enduring trading partnership, linking farmers, ranchers and consumers on both sides

of the border. Our discussions in Iowa highlighted the importance of continuing to work together to advance rural prosperity and to fulfill our shared responsibility to protect our agricultural systems and producers. This includes collaborative efforts to prevent the spread of African swine fever and other animal and plant diseases and pests.

"From excessive drought to more extreme fires, our farmers, ranchers and producers are on the front lines dealing with the increasingly ur-

gent challenges of climate change. Agriculture faces the daunting task of producing more food to meet the nutritional needs of a growing world population while at the same time coping with climate change and ever-tightening natural resource constraints. We are confident that our agricultural sectors will be a key part of the solution, with a focus on a more inclusive rural development and continuing to provide good incomes to rural workers and plentiful supplies of high-quality agricultural products to consumers worldwide.

"We share a commitment to keeping our markets open and transparent so that trade can continue to grow. That mutual commitment was reaffirmed in our discussions today. We remain proud of our shared successes and equally steadfast in meeting common challenges together."

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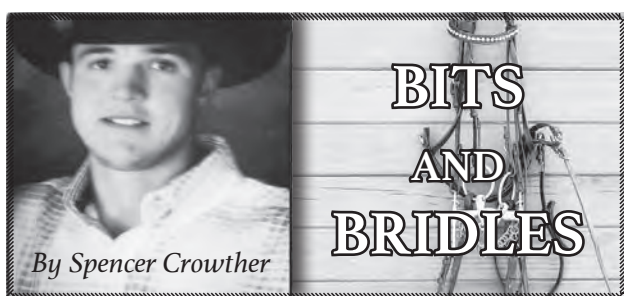
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By Spencer Crowther

Head of the Class

For most of agriculture, fall is in the air. The temperatures are cooling, crops are being harvested, and calves are being weaned from cows. There is no better time to be in agriculture, as we watch a year's worth of preparation and work come to fruition. High yields coming out of field and pasture do more than just put money in the bank, they also brings the ultimate

sense of pride and accomplishment.

In our operation and many like ours, calves have just started their journey in life. That is saying quite a bit seeing how this group was born in and endured one of the harshest winters in recent memory. Nevertheless, they will be held to all the same standards many crops before them have set.

On the ranch weaning time is much like a freshman entering college. They must adapt to their new surroundings quickly, get over the homesick feeling of being away from mom, and handle the occasional hazing from a senior or two. This is not an easy feat, whether it be man or beast. That is why both have caretakers at this life stage – students have counselors and calves have ranchers.

A few days after all the bawling subsides and the dust settles, it quickly turns from freshman orientation to finals exam. Individuals are weighed, measured, and searched for imperfections. Over the next six months calves will soon realize they need more than a C average to graduate from

this university. Those who can't make the grade are expelled and sent to feeder tech.

As the months of scrutiny and testing progress the cream rises to the top, and the best separate themselves from the herd. Those individuals get the opportunity to serve a greater purpose, and have a lasting impact not only for our operation but other operations across the country.

I think of these select individuals as the heads of class, bovine valedictorians if you will. There are no caps and gowns for them on graduation day; instead, they get a haircut and a picture in a catalog. In lieu of a walk across the stage and a diploma they receive the brand and a walk through the

Thousands will walk across the proverbial stage for graduation this year. Take a moment to appreciate what they have done, not just what the operations have done, but those students that attended their university. These scholars will exit stage left into the real world and affect our industry for the better for years to come. They have been weighed, they have been measured, and they have not been found wanting.

K-State Swine Day scheduled for November 18

Research updates are the cornerstone of Kansas State University's annual Swine Day planned for Thursday, November 18.

"Swine Day is one of the highlights of our year. We share all of the research conducted at K-State within the last year including the latest diet recommendation and information on feed processing, improving pig livability and other industry issues," says Mike Tokach, K-State Department of Animal Sciences & Industry (ASI) distinguished professor and swine extension specialist. "The afternoon program highlights two graduates of our program, who are national leaders in the Swine Health Improvement Plan and provision of nutritional services in their current roles."

The 2021 Swine Day will kick off with a technology trade show featuring more than 30 vendors. The trade show opens at 8 a.m. at the K-State Alumni Center, 1720 Anderson Ave., in Manhattan, and concludes at 4 p.m. This event is planned to be hosted in-person, following COVID procedures at the time.

During the morning session, K-State ASI department head Dr. Mike Day will welcome attendees and K-State swine faculty will discuss the latest updates on K-State Applied Swine Nutrition Research, highlighting nutrition, management, feed processing and feed safety.

The afternoon program will include Dr. Rodger Main, Iowa State University Veterinary Diagnostic

Laboratory director, who will discuss the new national Swine Health Improvement Plan. Next, Dr. Jon De Jong, Pipestone Nutrition president, will discuss how they are assisting producers in adapting to the changing swine industry. A brief question-and-answer session will follow.

The Swine Day program begins at 9:15 a.m. and includes lunch. The day wraps up with a reception at 3:30 p.m. featuring K-State Call Hall ice cream.

The fee to register is \$25 per person if paid by Nov. 10, and \$50 after that date or at the door. Students may attend free of charge if they register by Nov. 10.

Registration is available online at KSUSwine.

org or by sending a check payable to Animal Sciences and Industry, addressed to: KSU Swine Day, 218 Weber Hall, 1424 Claffin Road, Manhattan, KS 66506. For more information, contact Lois Schreiner at 785-532-1267 or lschrein@ksu.edu.

Tight agriculture chemical supply, high prices could impact 2022 growing season

Supply chain disruptions and material shortages are fueling speculation about a herbicide shortage for the 2022 agriculture growing season. Bill Johnson, Purdue professor of weed science and Purdue Extension weed specialist, is encouraging producers to plan to minimize the impact on corn and soybean production in the Midwest.

Glyphosate (Roundup) and glufosinate (Liberty) are the two main active ingredients that potentially may be in short supply for the next growing season.

Allan W. Gray, executive director of the Purdue University Center for Food and Agricultural Business, said "Flooding, COVID-19 outbreaks and congested ports disrupted production and exports in China for months, resulting in chemical manufacturers rationing supply."

Johnson warns, "Plan your upcoming weed control strategies to accommodate for limited availability because of supply or price of these two active ingredients. Even if there isn't a widespread shortage, farmers will likely encounter higher chemical prices resulting in major challenges for corn and soybean production."

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TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021 — 1:00 PM

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New guide outlines options for crop insurance for small grains

As farmers start to wrap up harvest and think about next year's crop, the Center for Rural Affairs has released a new resource guide to inform producers who grow small grains about crop insurance options.

"Many farmers are familiar with their options for crops such as corn and soybeans, but less are familiar with their options for crops such as wheat, oats, barley, and rye. This resource attempts to address that uncertainty," said Kate Hansen, a Center policy associate and author of the guide "From Seed to Secured: Crop Insurance for Small Grains."

The reasons some Midwest and Great Plains farmers opt to grow small grains range from conservation benefits to the requirements of organic certification to

local markets they have identified. However, while small grains do have benefits on the landscape, they come with associated risks.

"All producers have one thing in common—the need to manage risk," Hansen said. "For some, crop insurance is a big part of that equation. For others, it is simply one of many tools in the toolbox. Whatever the situation, it is important to be informed to make the best decision for your operation."

The guide includes information about: The availability of established Multi-Peril policies for small grains.

What to do if there is not an available Multi-Peril policy in your county.

Interviews with a farmer and crop insurance agent. A special option, or "endorsement," available for malting barley.

Whole Farm Revenue Protection. A brief overview of the landscape of private policies offered by crop insurance agents.

Information included will be helpful for both organic and conventional producers, Hansen said.

To view "From Seed to Secured: Crop Insurance for Small Grains," visit [//cfra.org/publications](http://cfra.org/publications). Farmers with questions ahead of the sales closing date to buy crop insurance for next year, which for many crops is March 15, can reach out to Hansen via email at kateh@cfra.org, or by calling 515-215-1294.

Forage recovery after fall armyworm feeding

By David G. Hallauer, Meadowlark District Extension agent, crops and soils/horticulture

Some would suggest an answer isn't really an Extension answer until it includes the phrase: it depends. Unfortunately, the situation we find ourselves in with many brome

stands damaged by fall armyworms is going to be dependent on past history with a look to the future.

Fortunately, many stands have recovered nicely. Continue to monitor them through next spring. Unless regrowth has been adequate following feeding, root reserves may still

be low, resulting in slower green-up next spring and potentially thinned stands. The longer the growing season, the better the chance we'll fully replenish root reserves. Recovered stands should be managed as normal: good fertility (a soil test is highly recommended) plus appropriate harvest management next summer will be key.

Stands just beginning

to recover – or still without signs of life – should be given a chance to respond if possible during what's left of our growing season. While we won't fully know the extent of damage until green-up next spring, most stands should be showing signs of life by now. Consider digging up plants to check for tillers or live roots. In many cases, adequate time has passed since the last feeding to

allow plants to respond. What's next in these cases?

Walk fields now to assess how much of the stand may have been compromised so you can start to make decisions about the future of the stand. While there, pull a soil sample. No matter what decision you make for the stand, a soil sample provides valuable information.

If only small areas are compromised and you plan to inter- or over-seed, or otherwise keep the stand in brome even if it requires starting over, investigate seed supplies/costs. The seeding rate recommendation for a well-prepared seedbed is ten to 15 pounds of pure, live seed per acre. Lesser prepared seedbeds may benefit from rates up to 20 pounds per acre. Optimum winter/spring seeding dates for northeast Kansas are December through early April. Evaluate fer-

tility levels and previous herbicide histories prior to seeding.

There are lots of options for stands considered too far gone and in which brome will not be reseeded, all dependent to a great degree on how the site lays and the fertility and herbicide restrictions in place. Native grasses, annual forages, or even cropping may be considerations, so long as you can do so with an eye towards appropriate conservation practices and compliance with any government programs, fertility issues, or herbicide restrictions.

With predictions for high fertilizer prices through spring plus potential forage losses from fall armyworm damage this past summer, now is a good time to begin the planning process to make sure forage resources are in place for next growing season and beyond.



AVF Blackcap 0070 won reserve grand champion female at the 2021 Kansas State Fair Junior Angus Show, Sept. 11-12 in Hutchinson. Kelsey Theis, Leavenworth, owns the October 2020 daughter of Conley Express 7211. Chris Cassady, Ankeny, Iowa, evaluated the 61 entries. Photo by Legacy Livestock Imaging



Mr Primo Spice 49H won grand champion steer at the 2021 Kansas State Fair Junior Angus Show, Sept. 11-12 in Hutchinson. Aubree McCurry, Hutchinson, owns the March 2020 son of Colburn Primo 5153. Chris Cassady, Ankeny, Iowa, evaluated the 61 entries. Photo by Legacy Livestock Imaging



Bar S Style 0438 won reserve grand champion steer at the 2021 Kansas State Fair Junior Angus Show, Sept. 11-12 in Hutchinson. Mileah Backhus, Russell, owns the April 2020 son of Silveiras Style 9303. Chris Cassady, Ankeny, Iowa, evaluated the 61 entries. Photo by Legacy Livestock Imaging

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.35	.54	.47	.42	.32	.33	.46	.41	.36

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USDA announces early release of select commodity tables for Agricultural Projections to 2031 report

On November 5, 2021 at 2 p.m. Central time, the U.S. Department of Agriculture will release selected tables prepared for the upcoming USDA Agricultural Projections to 2031 report. USDA will release tables containing long-term supply, use, and price projections to 2031 for major U.S. crops and livestock products, as well as supporting U.S. and international macroeconomic assumptions. The tables use the short-term forecasts from the October 12, 2021 World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates report as the starting point.

The tables will be posted in MS Excel simultaneously

to the Office of the Chief Economist's (OCE) website at www.usda.gov/oce/commodity-markets/baseline and to the Economic Research Service's (ERS) website at www.ers.usda.gov/topics/farm-economy/agricultural-baseline.

The complete USDA Agricultural Projections to 2031 report will be released in February 2022 and will include a full discussion of the commodity supply and use projections, and projections for farm income and global commodity trade.

USDA's long-term agricultural projections represent a departmental consensus on a ten-year representative

scenario for the agricultural sector. They are a composite of model results and judgment-based analyses, prepared from August 2021 through February 2022. The projections do not represent USDA forecasts, but reflect a conditional long-run scenario that is based on specific assumptions about macroeconomic conditions, policy, weather, and international developments, with no domestic or external shocks to global agricultural markets. The Agricultural Act of 2018 is assumed to remain in effect through the projection period.

American Soybean Association seeks candidates for annual soy scholarship

Do you know an outstanding high school senior interested in pursuing a career in agriculture? Future ag leaders are vital to the sustainability and growth of our industry, and the American Soybean Association (ASA) wants to provide one of these students a college scholarship as they begin their agriculture education.

The ASA Soy Scholarship is a \$5,000 one-time award presented to a high

school senior who plans to pursue agriculture as an area of study at any accredited college or university in the 2022-23 academic year. The scholarship is made possible through a grant by BASF Corporation. High school seniors may apply online Oct. 27-Dec. 31, 2021.

"As agriculture faces new challenges and obstacles—from a global pandemic and climate challenges to livestock

disease and various other concerns—preparing future industry leaders by providing them the tools needed to tackle these issues and achieve their goals is imperative," said ASA president Kevin Scott (SD). "We are grateful to our partner, BASF, for its ongoing commitment to supporting the next generation of farmers, scientists, teachers and other areas of ag because those young persons will play a

vital role in future industry solutions and innovation."

ASA and BASF have recognized and rewarded students for their hard work and interest in agriculture through the Soy Scholarship since 2008.

"BASF is excited to continue our longstanding partnership with ASA to award scholarships to deserving students who show a real passion for agriculture and share our

commitment to meeting the challenge of feeding a growing population," said Scott Kay, vice president, U.S. Crop, BASF Agricultural Solutions North America. "Our industry's future depends on the talented and enthusiastic students of today, who will apply their learning and lead agriculture forward."

The scholarship is awarded in \$2,500 increments (one per semester) for the 2022-23 school year.

The student must maintain successful academic progress and be in good standing with the college or university to receive the full amount of the scholarship.

Final selection will be made in January by a select committee of soybean grower-leaders. The student will be notified once the selection is made, with an official announcement to follow and a presentation scheduled in the spring.

Forecast looks promising for Kansas' 2021 upland bird seasons

November 13 marks the opening day for Kansas' regular quail and pheasant seasons, and September 15 marked the opening day of Kansas' regular greater prairie chicken season – the trifecta that is upland hunting in the Sunflower State. Wingshooters will be pleased to hear that for 2021, the outlook looks promising, as Kansas' popular upland game bird populations once again appear to be faring well. But with so many opportunities statewide, it may be difficult for hunters to narrow down the best locations to hunt; that's where the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks' (KDWP) 2021 Kansas Upland Bird Forecast comes in handy.

Produced annually by KDWP's Wildlife Division, the 2021 Kansas Upland Bird Forecast is compiled from data collected during the Department's spring calling surveys for pheasants (crow counts), quail (whistle counts), and prairie chickens (lek counts), as well as late-summer roadside surveys for pheasants and quail.

Here's a snippet of what hunters will find in the 2021 Kansas Upland Bird Forecast, available online at ksoutdoors.com/Hunting/Upland-Birds,

and at most KDWP offices.

Quail
Kansas continues to support above-average quail populations with spring densities similar to last year, including significant increases in the Smoky Hills region of north central Kansas and the Flint Hills.

Since peak nesting for quail is later than pheasants, there is some concern about chick survival with late summer conditions; However, reproduction measures remained high and improved across most regions on the brood survey.

Despite improved production, brood survey results estimate a decrease in statewide densities fueled mostly by large decreases in estimates in the Smoky Hills. Disagreement between these estimates and production estimates may suggest that poor survey conditions impacted counts.

Still, Kansas maintains one of the premier quail populations in the country and harvest should be among the highest this year. The best opportunities will be in the Flint Hills and central regions, with plenty of quality hunting opportunity scattered in the remaining regions.

Pheasants
Above-average spring rainfall created good nesting cover across most of the primary pheasant range. Some areas in far west Kansas had better nesting conditions than observed in a decade.

While estimates for the summer brood survey did not show significant change, most regional estimates trended slightly down; The western extent of the High Plains generally showed improvements, with the highest regional roadside estimates being in the Northern High Plains.

Measures of reproduction were greatly improved across most regions this year, and Kansas should again be among the leading states for fall harvest.

Prairie Chickens
Greater prairie-chickens have recently expanded in numbers and range in the northwestern

portion of the state while declining in the eastern regions. Hunting opportunities will be best in the Northern High Plains and Smoky Hills regions this fall, where populations have been either increasing or stable, and public access is more abundant.

The Southwest Prairie Chicken Unit, where lesser prairie-chickens are found, will remain closed to hunting this year.

Note, all prairie chicken hunters are required to purchase a \$2.50 Prairie Chicken Permit, available at kshuntfishcamp.com.

Regardless of preferred upland bird species, upland hunters can be as mobile as needed when utilizing Kansas' combined 1.7 million acres of lands open to public hunting. KDWP's Walk-In Hunting Access (WIHA) program – which accounts for 1.15 million of those acres open to hunting – occurs throughout much of

the state's main pheasant range. Hunters may also find quality bird hunting opportunities through the Department's newest public access program, iWIHA. Through iWIHA, hunters can reserve hunting access on private lands with limited access. For more information on WIHA and iWIHA, or to view maps of lands open to public hunting, visit ksoutdoors.com.

Pheasant and quail seasons run through Jan. 31 in Kansas, so there's plenty of time to plan. In the meantime, grab a license at kshuntfishcamp.com, through KDWP's mobile app, HuntFish KS, or a license vendor nearest you (ksoutdoors.com/License-Permits/Locations-to-Buy-License-Permits) and prepare to enjoy a fall season unlike any other.

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TRACT 1: The SE4 & the S2NE4 of Section 21, Township 6, Range 4, Clay County, Kansas. This farm is situated in Goshen Township and consists of 238.09 acres according to FSA records. This farm has 97.61 acres of cropland which includes 65.71 acres currently under cultivation, 30.38 acres in the CRP program and 1.52 acres of waterway. There are 19 acres planted to wheat. The balance will be open for spring crops. There are 133.11 acres of good pasture with good fences and 3 ponds. The soil types on the cropland currently being cultivated are approximately 50% Class 2 Crete (Cs), 30% Class 4 Crete (Cx), and 20% Class 2 Hobbs (Ho). This tract is located from Clay Center, Kansas 6 miles east to Utah Rd. then 9 miles north to 27th Rd. and 1/2 mile east to the southwest corner of the tract. It is about 6 miles north and east of Green, Kansas. 2020 property taxes were \$2,677.96.

TRACT 2: The S2SE4, the NW4SE4 & all of the land in the SW4NE4 lying south of Fancy Creek all in Section 28, Township 6, Range 4, Clay County, Kansas. This farm is situated in Goshen Township and consists of approximately 125.25 acres according to FSA records. This farm has 30.99 acres of cropland which is all enrolled in CRP. The balance of the tract includes 94.26 acres of pasture with creek and habitat. The soil types on the CRP acres are about 75% Class 4 Crete (Cx) and 25% Class 3 Tully (Tu). This tract is located from Clay Center, Kansas 6 miles east to Utah Rd. then 8 miles north to 26th Rd. and 1 mile east to the southeast corner of the tract. It is about 5 miles north and east of Green, Kansas. Property taxes to be determined by Clay County officials following the auction.

TERMS: Contracts to close on or before January 5th, 2022. Buyer is to pay 10% down day of sale with the balance due at closing. Title insurance and escrow fees are to be paid 1/2 each by the seller and the buyer. The seller will pay 2021 and all prior years property taxes. The 2022 property taxes are to be paid by the buyer. The tenant on the farmland is Scott Sump and the farm is sold with his rights including the right to harvest the 2022 wheat crop on Tract 1. The buyers will receive the landlord's one-third share of the wheat crop and pay the landlord's one-third share of expenses. The buyers of Tract 1 will get possession of wheat acres after the 2022 harvest. Possession of all other acres will be at closing. The buyers of Tract 2 will get possession of the entire tract at closing. The buyers will receive all mineral rights. The contract, deed and down payment will be escrowed at Clay County Abstract & Title Company, 610 5th, Clay Center, Kansas 67432. Announcements made sale day to take precedence over printed matter. The sellers and their agents are not responsible for accidents. The auction firm is working for the sellers. FSA information has been released to the public and can be obtained from the Clay Center FSA office.

Go to kretzauctions.com or kansasauctions.net for full listing, color maps & additional info including CRP contract & base acre information.

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Auction conducted by: Clay County Real Estate
CALL: Greg Kretz, Salesman & Auctioneer, 785-630-0701

LAND AUCTION
76.9 taxable acres m/l located in Marshall County, KS
S30, T01, R10 - St. Bridget Township

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2021 — 10:00 AM
Auction Location: Summerfield Community Center, E. Bethal Ave., SUMMERFIELD, KANSAS 66541

PROPERTY ADDRESS: Located at the intersection of 26th Road & Eagle Road, Summerfield, KS 66541.
Directions from Summerfield: 4 1/2 miles South on Hwy 99 then 3/4 mile East on Eagle Road

MARSHALL COUNTY PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:
78.35 total Ag acres more or less
73.38 acres +/- dry crop * 4.97 acres +/- tame grass
This tract provides an excellent location for farming, residing & investing.
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LAND AUCTION
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021 — 10:00 AM
Belleville 4-H Building — BELLEVILLE, KANSAS

220± ACRES REPUBLIC COUNTY LAND

TRACT 1 LEGAL DESC: N 1/2 SW 1/4 Less a 4.25± acre tract. S10, T3, R2W of 6th P.M.

FSA INFO: Total Acres: 76.1±; DCP Cropland Acres: 64.17±; Base Acres: 53.82 Wheat, 16.98 Yield – 48 Bu.; Soybean, 17.3 Yield – 43 Bu.; Corn, 19.54 Yield – 123 Bu.

2020 Property Taxes: \$1,413.36.

PROPERTY LOCATION: From East edge of Belleville go 4.5 miles East on Hwy 36 to corner of 220 Rd. then South 1/2 mile. Property is on East Side of road.

TRACT 2 LEGAL DESC: NW 1/4 less a 14± acre tract. S16, T3, R2W of 6th P.M.

FSA INFO: Total Acres: 144.4±; DCP Cropland Acres: 109; Base Acres: 91.41, Wheat, 28.84 Yield – 48 Bu.; Soybean, 29.38 Yield – 43 Bu.; Corn, 33.19 Yield – 123 Bu.

2020 Property Taxes: \$2,423.30.

PROPERTY LOCATION: From East edge of Belleville go 3.5 miles East on Hwy 36 to corner of 210 Rd then South 1 mile. Property is on South-East Quadrant of Intersection.

Listing Broker's Notes: Tract 1 is a good dryland farm with the potential for more cropland acres. The soil types are conducive to cropland and it appears the small pasture and pond could be converted into cropland with a minimum of expense. Tract 2 is a gently rolling dryland farm with about 40 acres in native grass pasture. The cropland is mostly Crete type of soils with some Hastings-Hobbs mixed in. There is a 40x60 equipment storage shed on this property in good shape. These properties are on good gravel/rock roads and easily accessible. Two highly productive farms with good access. If you are an investor or a producer looking to add to your holdings don't miss this auction. For more info on this GREAT property contact... Mark Uhlik - Listing Broker - Cell: 785.747.8568

Terms & Possession: 10% down day of the sale, balance due at closing on or before Dec. 23, 2021. Sellers to pay 2021 taxes and will retain the 2021 rent. Title insurance, escrow & closing costs, and contract preparation split equally between buyer and seller. Buyer takes full possession at closing subject to tenants rights. Tenant was properly notified of termination and no hold-over crops are planted. Property to be sold as-is, where-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of the sale. This is a cash sale and is not subject to financing, financing arrangements should be made prior to auction. Midwest Land and Home is acting as a Seller's Agent and represents the seller's interest. All information has come from reliable sources; however, potential buyers are encouraged to verify all information independently. Seller expressly disclaims any liability for errors, omissions, or changes regarding information for this sale. Potential purchasers are strongly urged to rely solely upon their own inspections and opinions in preparing to purchase property. Statements made day of sale take precedence over all other printed materials.

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****LAND AUCTION****
Live & Online

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021 — 7:00 PM
VFW Post 1432, 1108 W. Crawford - SALINA, KANSAS

Selling 236 Acres

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION: 236 acres more or less with 57.1 acres crop land, 176.69 acres native grass pasture, and 2.39 acres waterways. Property also includes 3 rural water hook-ups and 2 ponds.

PROPERTY LOCATION: The property is located on the Saline/Ottawa County line from Salina, North on Old Hwy 81 to Ottawa Road then East 2 1/4 miles to the property.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: The Southeast Quarter (SE/4) and the East Half of the Southwest Quarter (E/2SW/4) of Section 32, Township 12 South, Range 2 West of the 6th P.M., Ottawa County, Kansas.

Possession: Possession will be at closing. **Mineral & Water Interests:** All mineral and water interests owned by the Seller will transfer with the property. Water interests include 3 Rural Water hook-ups with Ottawa County Rural Water District #2. Any installation expense associated with the rural water hook-ups will be at the Buyer's Expense.

SELLER: THE ELDEN MILLER TRUST
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Auction Conducted by: Coldwell Banker APW REALTORS®

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One of the industry's biggest challenges is labor

By Levi Landers, American Angus Association regional manager for Colorado and Nebraska

There is a huge shortage within the ag sector. It's not of the natural resources we all depend on to make the circle of agriculture coincide with the goal of feeding the planet. It's quite simply labor — and skilled labor at that. When asking any member of the American Angus Association, cow-calf producer, feedlot manager or the packing sector what their biggest challenges moving forward are, they all have the same answer: labor.

Other industries are also struggling to find enough qualified employees, and many have a bigger profit margin than most ranches and feedlots. How do cattle producers compete to get the employees they need? We all know margins are thin in agriculture. Cattle operations

struggle to be competitive with big companies that can offer a better benefits package. This is when one must become creative and offer more of a lifestyle with perks than a 9-to-5, punch-the-time-clock job.

There is no one more creative and adaptive than the American rancher. They have learned to overcome drought, blizzards, failing markets and environmental restrictions. You name it, the rancher has overcome it and will adapt. Employee seeking and employee retention will have to adapt as well.

To be competitive one must first identify the age demographic and type of employee you want to gain and retain. The days of driving to the bus stop and looking around for the guy lacking bus fare to go any farther are over.

If you're looking to hire, I suggest you do your research on what each generation is looking for in

an employer so you have an idea of what to offer. The labor pool moving forward is going to consist of the millennial generation (born about 1980-1995), so you need to be familiar with their lifestyle and culture. For the most part, they are looking for security and a lifestyle that suits them. Money is not necessarily everything.

Beyond that is Generation Z (born about 1997-2012). They are vastly different than previous generations. They are extremely smart, driven, passionate and want to earn money while having entrepreneurial aspirations.

Most ag producers try to provide some type of housing if available, a vehicle, beef, and paid utilities. However, it might be time to set yourself apart from other competing ranches and other industries.

As we learn to cultivate the millennial generation as prospective employees,

we need to find out their needs and what could be offered to attract them. This generation currently has young families, and education is a high priority to them. The traditional housing provided might need to change to a house in town that is closer to school and more convenient for their spouse and their young family.

Employers should find educational opportunities for driven employees, such as sending them to the Cattle Industry Convention or the National Angus Convention. Even sending them to a regional or state cattlemen's meeting could prove your confidence in their passion for being an important part of agriculture and your operation. As smart and knowledge-thirsty as these young generations are, you may also encourage them to see what opportunities your local university offers where they can cultivate

their thirst for information.

To entice Generation Z, you might have to think way outside the box to engage their entrepreneurial tendencies. Maybe offer an existing building onsite for feed and mineral sales, or opportunity to market a specialized branded-beef program. If the employee is more into farming, employers could secure rental ground for the employee with use of the employer's equipment. The possibilities are endless. Just be willing to cultivate their needs.

Sourcing employees has changed and will continue to change. Change is always inevitable. To find the right candidate, one must change where and how you are looking for qualified applicants. Universities, community colleges and vo-tech schools pride themselves on job

placement. I encourage everyone to build a relationship with advisors and start offering an internship for your operation. Make sure the advisors are aware and familiar with what you can offer beyond an internship.

Job fairs and industry trade shows are a great resource, as well. The younger generations have a giant thirst for knowledge. This is a likely place to connect and build a relationship with candidates, and learn what they are seeking in an employer.

No matter what segment of agriculture you are involved in, never sell yourself short on what your lifestyle could offer an employee. We tend to take for granted our lifestyles and opportunities. Learn to share this lifestyle and be willing to teach and mold people into the employee that you need.

Anchor™ 3L ST fungicide seed treatment launched in U.S. market

Albaugh is excited to announce the EPA registration of Anchor™ 3L ST in multiple crop segments as a new fungicide seed treatment offer. Available this fall, Anchor™ 3L ST is a water-based fungicide formulation that was developed specifically to deliver enhanced

handling, stability, performance and value when used in custom blend seed treatments and when added as a tank-mix partner with other seed treatment formulations.

"Anchor™ 3L ST (Metalaxyl-M a.k.a. Mefenoxam) is the first of three new actives we will launch over the next 24 months. The other two are Thiamethoxam and Iaconazole," said Chris Zita, Albaugh's North America Director for Seed Treatments. "We are excited about the expansion of our seed treatment portfolio, as it demonstrates our commitment to deliver new actives for our customers to use in their customized seed treatment offers."

"Anchor 3L ST will deliver seed treatment protection against Pythium and Phytophthora that cause seedling damping off, seed rot, and systemic downy mildew in certain crops," explains Zita. "Clearly, Mefenoxam is a superior product to Metalaxyl when it comes to formulation stability, and Anchor 3L ST provides the convenience of lower application rates. I was excited to launch Mefenoxam at Syngenta over twenty-years ago, and I am excited to launch it again to help expand the Albaugh seed treatment portfolio and bring value to our customers."



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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2021 • 12:30 PM
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PUBLIC AUCTION REMINDER
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021 — 9:30 AM
 Auction located at 1321 5th St., CLAY CENTER, KANSAS
 * CUB CADET LAWN TRACTOR & OTHER CUB CADET ITEMS, ALL IN LIKE NEW CONDITION, TORO PUSH MOWER, 1983 HONDA MOTORCYCLE (sell at 10:00)
 * YARD ITEMS, TOOLS, SHOP SUPPLIES, MISC. (sell first)
 * FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD GOODS (sell at 10:30)
 * ANTIQUES, COINS, TOYS, FISHING SUPPLIES, ELECTRONICS, RECORDS & TAPES, MEN'S CLOTHING (sell after tools, late morning)
 We plan to run 2 rings starting around 10:30. Hope to complete the auction by early afternoon.
 CLERK: Shirley Riek, 526 Fredrick, Clay Center, Ks. 67432

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IRRIGATED LAND AUCTION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2021 — 6:00 PM
 Scandia Community Center — SCANDIA, KANSAS

252± ACRES REPUBLIC COUNTY, KS LAND
TRACT 1: (Featuring 88.6 Irrigated Acres)
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: S32, T02, R04W, ACRES 156.43, W1/2 NW1/4 & N1/2 SW1/4 LESS ROW & IRRIG CANAL, & ACRES 12.7, SE1/4 NW1/4 LYING S & W OF IRRIGATION DITCH & S31, T02, R04W, ACRES 6.1, NE1/4 SE1/4 E OF R/R 235(S) X 1300(S), LESS 11 ACRES± BEING SOLD AS TRACT 2 DETAILED BELOW.
TRACT 1 FSA INFORMATION: • 168.57 Farmland Acres
 • 151.67 DCP acres with 60.29 Base Acres (97.18 Corn, 22.2 Soybeans, 13.63 Grain Sorghum, & 7.98 Wheat)
 2020 Property Taxes: \$6403.92.
 Bostwick Irrigation O&M and Prepaid Tax: \$3924.08
TRACT 2: Homesite with 11± Acres
 • 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath Ranch Style Home • Built in 1978
 • 2266 sq ft of Main Floor Living Space • Full Finished Basement
 2020 Property Taxes: (Included with Tract 1)
IF TRACT 1 & 2 ARE SOLD TO SEPARATE BUYERS A SURVEY WILL BE PROVIDED PRIOR TO CLOSING AT SELLERS EXPENSE.
TRACT 3: LEGAL DESCRIPTION: S33, T02, R04W, ACRES 76.99, W1/2 SW1/4 LESS ROW.
TRACT 3 FSA INFORMATION: • 77.11 Farmland Acres
 • 55.7 Estimated DCP Cropland acres with
 • 53.31 Estimated Base Acres (21.12 Wheat, 17.92 Corn, 11.67 Grain Sorghum & .6 Soybeans)
 2020 Property Tax Information: \$1453.70
PROPERTY LOCATION: From the intersection of Highway 36 & N. Kansas Avenue in Scandia go north 2 miles on county black top. Tract 3 is located on the Northwest from intersection of Nickel Road and N 90 Road (county black top). Take Nickel Road west approx. 1 mile and follow 80 Road north .25 miles and arrive at the south property line of Tract 1 on east and west side of road. Tract 2 is slightly north.

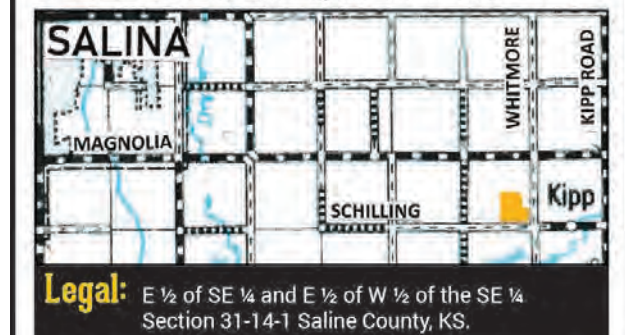
Terms & Possession: 10% down day of the sale, balance due at closing on or before Tuesday, December 28, 2021. Buyer to take possession at closing subject to tenants rights. Sellers to pay 2021 property taxes. Title insurance, escrow and closing costs to be split equally between buyer and seller. Property to be sold as-is, where-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of the sale. Seller's interest in mineral rights will transfer with the sale. This is a cash sale and is not subject to financing, have financing arrangements made prior to the auction. **Midwest Land and Home is acting as a Seller's Agent and represents the seller's interest.** All information has come from reliable sources; however, potential buyers are encouraged to verify all information independently. Seller expressly disclaims any liability for errors, omissions, or changes regarding any information provided for these sales. Potential purchasers are strongly urged to rely solely upon their own inspections and opinions in preparing to purchase property and are expressly advised to not rely on any representations made by the seller or their agents. Statements made the day of sale take precedence over all other printed materials. Thompson Law, PA will act as escrow, title & closing agent. Announcements made the day of sale will take precedence over all other information.

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Mike Campbell 785.821.0619
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Information:
 • 104.52± taxable acres with 102.5± acres cropland
 • 100% "Prime Farmland" per USDA-NRCS
 • Longford Silt Loam, terraced with waterways
 • Seller pays 2021 and prior year taxes
 • Possession at closing subject to tenant's rights
 • Buyer receives 1/3 of the 2022 wheat crop
 • Mineral rights pass to Buyer believed 100% intact
 • 7 miles east of Salina, KS, on Magnolia Rd and 1 south



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Autumn is pumpkin time

"This fall, millions of Americans will make an annual pilgrimage to a retail outlet to purchase a vegetable they, unfortunately, are unlikely to eat," said University of Missouri Extension horticulturist David Trinklein.

In the United States, this colorful member of the gourd family sells mainly for decoration. But this verse from about 1630 suggests that American colonists relied heavily on pumpkin for food:

For pottage and puddings and custard and pies,
 Our pumpkins and parsnips are common supplies:
 We have pumpkins at morning and pumpkins at noon,

If it were not for pumpkins, we should be undone.
 One way American colonists prepared pumpkins was to remove the seeds, fill the inside with milk, spices and honey, and bake the pumpkin in hot ashes, Trinklein said.

Today, consumer demand drives plant breeders to focus on ornamental appeal rather than table quality. Modern pumpkins mature into a deep orange color much earlier, and most varieties now bear a large stem that can serve as a convenient handle. Another new development is pumpkins with rinds covered with warts, which can make jack-o'-lanterns look more ghoulish.

When selecting a pumpkin for fall decoration, use the "thumbnail test" to make sure it's fully mature. If you can pierce the rind with your thumbnail, the pumpkin will not store well.

Pumpkin is high in beta carotene, a red-orange pigment that the body converts into vitamin A. It is also a good source of dietary fiber. The spices used in pumpkin pie have health benefits of their own. "Not many people could tolerate taking allspice directly to benefit from its antioxidant, anti-inflammatory and stomach-calming properties," Trinklein said. "However, consumed in a piece of pumpkin pie, it tastes rather delightful."

Trinklein offers some "pun"-kin trivia for those who "orange" ready for pumpkin season yet:

- Pumpkins have grown in North America for more than 5,000 years.
- Morton, Ill., the self-proclaimed "Pumpkin Capital of the World," hosts an annual Pumpkin Chuckin' Contest in which competitors use elaborate mechanical devices to lob pumpkins across great distances.
- According to Guinness World Records, the heaviest pumpkin ever grown weighed 2,624 pounds, more than some subcompact cars. The gargantuan gourd was grown in 2016 by Mathias Willemijns of Belgium.
- Guinness World Records gives the title of largest pumpkin pie to a confection made in 2010 at the New Bremen Pumpkinfest in Ohio. The pie weighed 3,699 pounds and measured 20 feet in diameter.
- At the first Thanksgiving in 1621, the Pilgrims probably did not serve pumpkin pie. Instead, they made pumpkin stew.

LAND AUCTION

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2021 — 6:00 PM
 Helvering Center — MARYSVILLE, KANSAS

83.7± ACRES MARSHALL COUNTY, KS LAND
LEGAL DESCRIPTION: S07, T02, R08, ACRES 83.7, E127.87' of Lot 10, Lot 11, and Lot 12, Less ROW MS County
FSA INFO: Farmland Acres: 83.21; DCP Cropland Acres: 82.34; Base Acres: Wheat 35.2, Grain Sorghum 34.9, Soybean 4.4; PLC Yield: Wheat 35, Grain Sorghum 34.9, Soybean 4.4 2020.
Property Taxes: \$2162.33.
Property Location: From Highway 36 & 12th Road intersection go north 3 miles to Harvest Road. Turn Right/East on Harvest Road and travel 1.25 miles. Property is located on left/north side of Harvest Road.
Auction Location: Helvering Center, 111 S. 8th Street, Marysville, KS 66508 (Parking located behind Wagon Wheel).
Terms & Possession: 10% down day of the sale, balance due at closing on or before December 29, 2021. Sellers to pay 2021 taxes. Title insurance, escrow & closing costs, and contract preparation split equally between buyer and seller. Buyer takes full possession at closing. Property has been custom farmed so there is no tenant in place. Property to be sold as-is, where-is. All inspections should be made prior to the day of the sale. This is a cash sale and is not subject to financing, financing arrangements should be made prior to auction. **Midwest Land and Home is acting as a Seller's Agent and represents the seller's interest.** All information has come from reliable sources; however, potential buyers are encouraged to verify all information independently. Seller expressly disclaims any liability for errors, omissions, or changes regarding any information provided for this sale. Potential purchasers are strongly urged to rely solely upon their own inspections and opinions in preparing to purchase property and are expressly advised to not rely on any representations made by the seller or their agents. Statements made the day of sale take precedence over all other printed materials. Announcements made the day of sale will take precedence over all other information. Pony Express Title will act as Title, Escrow, and Closing Agent.

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November 3 — Welding Shop Liquidation held at Topeka for R.C. Perine & Son. Auctioneers: Foundation Realty, Morgan Riat.

November 4 — Lyon County Land auction consisting of T1: 320 ac. m/l cropland, CRP, recreational usage; T2: 160 ac. m/l high quality native grass pasture with 4 ponds, upland crop field; T3: 108 ac. m/l warm season native grass pasture with 2 ponds; T4: combination of Tracts 2 and 3 totaling 268 ac. m/l; T5: 320 ac. m/l native grass pasture in big grass country just east of the Chase/Lyon County line held at Olpe for Merry Family Resources, LLC. Auctioneers: Vaughn-Roth Land Brokers, Henry Ott & Cameron Roth. www.vaughnroth.com

November 5 — 176 acres m/l Decatur County Absolute Land Auction consisting of 104.33 ac. cropland & 55.67 ac. m/l of grass & creek bottom held at Jennings for Chuck Griffith. Auctioneers: Farm & Ranch Realty, Inc., Donald L. Hazlett, broker/auctioneer.

November 5 & 6 — 2-day Guns, ammo, reloading supplies, taxidermy and antiques. Selling Nov. 5: Ammo, reloading inc. bullets, dies, powder, wads, brass, shotgun shells, ammunition, reloading press, antiques & household; selling Nov. 6: Over 200 lots of Shotguns, rifles, hand guns, scopes & more held at Tribune for Melvin & Nadine Cheney. Auctioneers: Berning Auction, Inc.

November 6 — Selling over 450 lots of coins including lots of rolls of BU coins, cents, nickels, dimes, Morgans, lots of silver, Cobalt gun safe & more held at Portis for Louise Shore. Auctioneers: Wolters Auction.

November 6 — 2010 Chevy Silverado 1500, 2010 Dodge Grand Caravan ES mini van, Kawasaki ATV (not running), riding mower, furniture, kids playhouse, knives, appliances, gun safe, hunting items, hand, shop & power tools, some household, vintage & more held near Lyndon for Richard Jackson Estate. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

November 6 — Motorcycle, Cub Cadet, yard equipment, lots of tools, household goods & miscellaneous held at Clay Center for Barb Gearheart. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

November 6 — Tractors, truck & machinery, tools, antiques & miscellaneous held near Munden for Don Peters Estate.

Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

November 6 — 1969 Chevy El Camino 90% restored, 1995 Monte Carlo Z34, 1989 1-ton Chevy Dually, 1996 GMC 1/2-ton pickup, 2000 Work Horse step van, 3/4-ton Military 2-wheel trailer, Connex storage container, shop tools, car parts, 34 pallets of cement blocks, restaurant equipment & much more held at Salina for Bruce Koster. Auctioneers: Baxa Auctions, LLC.

November 6 — Tractors including 1983 Case 2090, 1979 JD 4040, IHC B414; trucks & cars, farm machinery & household items, recovered barn wood, lumber, Fiesta, glassware & more held near Moundridge for Bruce & Sarah Regier. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction.

November 6 — Washington County land auction sold in 3 tracts consisting of T1: 160 ac. m/l with 134 acres upland cropland with balance being waterways and hay meadow; T2: 160 ac. m/l with 74 ac. upland cropland with balance native grass pasture with large pond; T3: 6-acre tract is a mix of trees and warm & cool season grasses held at Washington for The Columbus Jones Trust. Auctioneers: Bott Realty & Auction.

November 6 — Irvine Ranch Annual Simmental & SimAngus Sale held at Manhattan selling bulls, bred heifers & cows. For information or catalog contact John Irvine, 785-313-7473.

November 7 — Only at www.proxibid.com: Approximately 100 guns, bows & accessories for KDWPST & Estate. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

November 7 — Long guns, hand guns, ammo, reloading items, knives, Western collectibles, toys & collectibles, glassware, Christmas items, pocket watches, Coca Cola, camping items, tools & more held at Olpe for Sandra Adams. Auctioneers: Hancock Auction & Real Estate.

November 8 — Real Estate auction consisting of a 3 bedroom, 2 bath home on a private, treed lot held at St. George. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

November 10 — Farm equipment, lots of collectible tractors (1930s-1970s), collectible cars including 1940 Buick, 1955 Packard, 1946 Dodge, 1941 Plymouth, 1976 MCI 8 passenger bus, irrigation motors & more held near Goodland for Patrick House. Tractors, dirt scrapers, cars, bus will sell Live & Online at equipmentfacts.com. Auctioneers: Berning Auction, Inc.

November 11 — Northern Dickinson County Farmland held at Abilene for Bill Schwab & Connie Stillwagon. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz, salesman & auctioneer.

November 12 (Live Event with Online bidding starting November 8) — Simultaneous Live & Online Land Auction consisting of 635.42 acres m/l of Washington County land offered in three tracts. 320.05 ac. m/l tillable, 44.79 ac. m/l hay, 234.71 ac. m/l pasture & wildlife habitat & more (located northwest of Morrowville) held live at Morrowville and online at www.FNCBid.com. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company, Fred Olsen, AFM/agent & Matt Dowell, AFM/agent; Van Schmidt, auctioneer.

November 12 (Live & Online) — Barton County Land Auction consist-

ing of irrigated cropland sold in 2 individual tracts held live at Great Bend and online. Auctioneers: Reece Nichols South Central Kansas/Rupp-Steven. www.rncommercial.com

November 13 — Stock trailer, antique butcher block, tools, farm machinery (antique & vintage), beekeeper equipment held at Burlingame for John & Karen Pickett. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

November 13 — Antique furniture & collectibles including DP collection, KU Jayhawk items, bell collection, Roseville, pictures, toy Bell Grand piano, toys, costume jewelry & more held at Salina for Duane & Sherri Darling. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

November 13 — 1968 Pontiac Firebird, guns, coins, modern & antique furniture, glassware, Western Flyer bicycle, 100+ fishing poles & accessories, tools & miscellaneous held at Topeka for Estate of Orvis P. Wilcox. Auctioneers: Kooser Auction Service.

November 13 — Car, collectibles, furniture & household items held at Alma for the Roberta J. Berroth Estate. Auctioneers: Hallgren Real Estate & Auctions.

November 13 — Farm machinery, semi tractor, vehicles, mini tractors, Texaco sign, tools, antiques, miscellaneous northeast of Abilene for Cathy Leatherman. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

November 13 — 76.9 acres m/l located in Marshall County consisting of 73.38 ac. dryland & 4.97 ac. m/l tame grass held at Summerfield for Roselyn Runge & Charlene Versch. Auctioneers: Prell Realty & Auction, LLC.

November 13 — Real Estate & personal property consisting of a ranch-style home on 15 acres, full basement, 4 bedrooms, 3 baths built in 2005, metal shed, shop, wood storage shed, lots of trees with nice pond. Also selling many guns & ammo, 1958 IH tractor, 2020 Yamaha ATV 450, JD riding mower, antiques & collectibles held at Walton for John R. & Ruth Peters. Auctioneers: Gary Hill, listing agent, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services; Wade Brubacher, auctioneer.

November 14 — Spool cabinets, quilts, material, coins & more held at Salina for Ilene Lambert. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

November 15 — Land auction consisting of 236 acres m/l Ottawa County land with 57.1 ac. m/l cropland, 176.59 ac. m/l native grass pasture and 2.39 ac. m/l waterways; includes 3 rural water hook-ups and

2 ponds held live at Salina and Online at Hibid.com for The Elden Miller Trust, Advantage Trust Company, trustee. Auctioneers: Coldwell Banker APW Realtors, Chris Rost & Mark Baxa. www.landsofamerica.com/listing/12524336.

November 16 — 1995 Ford Ranger XLT pickup, Talon Manco 2x4 4-wheeler, mower, tools, antiques, guns, household & more held at Hunter for Dean Kralicek. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

Unreserved Online Land Auction (bidding opens November 16 & ends November 30, 10 AM CST) — Consisting of 104.52 acres m/l of Saline County Farmland for Terry W. Odle Trust, sold online at www.bigironrealty.com. Auctioneers: Big Iron Realty.

November 17 — Retirement farm equipment auction consisting of tractors, sprayer, pickup, side-by-side, truck & trailer, planting & tillage, combine, headers, grain handling, fuel, oil, chemical & storage, tanks & trailers, Western collectibles, gasoline collectibles, guns, ammo held at Haswell, Colorado with online bidding at equipmentfacts.com for John & Ann Kreutzer. Auctioneers: Berning Auction, Inc.

November 17 (Live Event with Online bidding starting November 12) — Simultaneous Live & Online Land Auction consisting of 146.06 acres m/l of Franklin County land consisting of 133.29 tillable acres & timber for recreational use (located southeast of Overbrook) held live at Overbrook and online at www.FNCBid.com. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company, Fred Olsen, AFM/agent & Jason Langston, agent; Van Schmidt, auctioneer.

November 18 — 252 acres m/l of irrigated land in Republic County consisting of T1: 168.57 ac. m/l farmland & 88.6 ac. irrigated acres; T2: Homesite (5BR, 3BA ranch-style home) with 11 ac. m/l; T3: 77.1 ac. m/l farmland held at Scandia for Glada M. Isaacson Trust. Auctioneers: Midwest Land and Home, Jeff Dankenbring, listing broker, Mark Uhlik, broker/auctioneer.

November 18 — 144 acres m/l of Pottawatomie County Native Grass land held at Onaga for Jolea Matzke. Auctioneers: Murray Auction & Realty.

November 18 — 363.34 acres of Clay County Farmland & Pasture located north of Green held at Green for Lois Lippert Revocable Living Trust. Auctioneers: Clay County Real Estate, Greg Kretz, salesman & auctioneer.

November 19 (Live Event with Online bidding starting November 15) — Simultaneous Live & Online Land Auction consisting of 640 acres m/l Butler County land: Flint Hills grass, excellent fences, large pond, windmill and steel corrals (located west of Cassoday) held live at Cottonwood Falls and on-

Grass & Grain, November 2, 2021
Auctioneers: Farmers National Company, Fred Olsen, AFM/agent; Van Schmidt, auctioneer.

December 3 — Crop-land Auction for Mervin E. & Marjorie A. Nord Family Farms selling Marshall County land at Blue Rapids and Pottawatomie County land at Blaine. Auctioneers: Olmsted Real Estate.

December 3 (Live Event with Online bidding starting November 29) — Simultaneous Live & Online Land Auction consisting of 193 ac. m/l of Wabaunsee County land with 182.6 tillable acres, 146 acres of bottomland located southwest of Wamego held live at Belvue and online at www.FNCBid.com. Auctioneers: Farmers National Company, Fred Olsen, AFM/agent; Van Schmidt, auctioneer.

December 4 — Automobiles, mower, nice set of coins & stamps including commemorative, quarter, nickel, Indian head, Sacajawea golden dollars & stamps collections & more, mint sets, Presidential coins, Kennedy mint & more, appliances, furniture, extensive book & magazine collection, lots of collectibles including Victor Talking Machine Co. Victrola, jewelry, Coca Cola, Christmas, Hall-Mary Dunbar Jewel Homemakers Inst. Superior Quality kitchenware pieces, Clydesdales, dolls, records & more, household held at Marysville for LaVern & Doris Allerheiligen Estate. Auctioneers: Prell Realty & Auction, LLC.

December 4 — Farm-land real estate & home-stead, farm machinery held northeast of Axtell for Steven Hasenkamp Trust. Auctioneers: Cline Realty & Auction.

December 4 — St. James Catholic Church Consignment Auction consisting of farm & construction equipment, vehicles, hay, farm supplies, hedge posts, livestock equipment & more held at Wetmore. To consign, contact Bill Burdick, Ron Burdick.

December 4 — Tuesday evening land auction consisting of 80 acres m/l with 72 acres m/l tillable, balance creek and heavy timber. Outstanding soil types plus deer heaven located 1 mile West of Osage City held at Osage City for Bergquist Properties. Auctioneers: Miller & Midyett Real Estate & Wischropp Auctions.

December 1 (Live Event with Online bidding starting November 24) — Simultaneous Live & Online Land Auction consisting of 159.5 ac. m/l of Brown County land with excellent farm in Irving Township and very nice shaded pond for recreation held live at Hiawatha and online at www.FNCBid.com.

RETIREMENT FARM EQUIPMENT AUCTION

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2021

TIME: 10:00 AM CT / 9:00 AM MT

LOCATION: 22190 State Hwy 96, HASWELL, COLO. 81045

(2 mile east of Haswell on the highway.)

John & Ann are retiring from farming and will sell this very well taken care of farm equipment to the highest bidder.

This will be a live & internet auction on select items. Internet bidding at www.equipmentfacts.com. Online portion of the auction starts at 12:30CT

TRACTORS, SPRAYER:

2015 John Deere 6215R tractor, 2118 hrs. MFWD, sunroof, loader ready, front suspension, 4 hyd. -IVT trans, rear PTO: 540/1000, 7" command center display, Greenstar ready; 2010 John Deere 9530 tractor, 3399.1 hrs., Goodyear 800/70R38 tires, JD guidance system, power shift, deluxe cab w/active seat, hyd. pump; 2012 John Deere 4830 sprayer, 1,000 gal. stainless tank, 100' booms, 15" nozzle spacing, boom leveling, 1274 hrs.

PICK-UP, SIDE-BY-SIDE: 2018 Ford F150 XLT, 4x4, super crew pickup, 47,320.8 miles; 2012 Arctic Cat Prowler HDX 700, 4,030 miles.

TRUCK & TRAILER: 2003 Freightliner semi-truck, Cat motor, 194,516 miles, 10 spd. trans.; 2011 Renegade 30' grain trailer, spring ride, Sherlock tarp.

PLANTING & TILLAGE: 2008 John Deere 1830 hoe drill, 61", 12.5" spacing, single shoot, 550 lb. B standards, 1" pnts., dual caster wheels on wings - 1910 tow between air cart, 270 bu., 30.5-32 tires, ground drive w/(1) yellow & (2) black meters rolls; 1998 John Deere 455 disk drills, 35", 7.5" spacings; 2001 John Deere 1770 planter, 12-row, 30", liquid fertilizer set-up w/coulters, 250 monitor; 2004 Sunflower 3392-52 sweep plow w/Quinstar pickers, anhydrous equipped, 6' blades; 2011 Landoll 1632 grader, 16' (like new); Box scraper land leveler, 12'; 1995 John Deere 630 disk, 32'; Krause 34' chisel, 12" spacing; John Deere rotary hoe, 32"; Miller straw chopper, 16"; Shop built toolbar, 30"; 1990 John Deere 717 rotary mower, 3 pt.

COMBINE, HEADERS & GRAIN HANDLING: 1994 John Deere 9600 small grain combine

w/260 hp engine, Cray chaff spreader, bin extension, 30' rigid platform, 930 header, 2,008 separator hrs., 2,640 engine hrs.; 2005 Shelbourne CVS32 stripper header; REM VRX grain vac w/extra hose, 26.2 hr. on unit (like new); 1998 Brent 772 grain cart, 750 bu.; 2008 Westfield WR 80-36 auger, 8"; 1998 Westfield MK 100, auger, 71' w/swing out hopper, pto driven; Feterl unloading auger; Westfield truck tailgate mounted seed auger, hyd., 6".

FUEL, OIL, CHEMICAL & STORAGE: 2014 Thunder Creek fuel trailer, ADT 750, w/100 gal. DEF tank.

TANKS & TRAILERS: 2019 Batch Boy chemical mixing system, Honda motor & pump; 2019 JD Skiles CBT, 3,000 gal. black plastic poly tanks on trailer w/5.5 hp Honda motor; Wiley 6,000 gal. fertilizer tanks on trailer w/ Honda motor; Simpson 1065 gal. nurse tank on trailer w/rack; 2,000 gal. black plastic poly tank; 2003 Load Trail gooseneck trailer, 34'; 2012 PJ car hauler trailer, 19' drop deck, bumper hitch.

WESTERN COLLECTIBLES: Antique tooled RT Frazier, Mueller, Heiser & Schmidt saddles; Hereford saddle; Antique tooled saddle bags; Antique Visalia tooled holster & gun belt; Saddle stands.

GASOLINE COLLECTIBLES: Vintage gas boy gasoline pump, Model 90, motor runs; (7) Vintage 5 gal. gas cans - Tenneco, Phillips 66, Co-op.

GUNS: 1 Charter Arms 38 special revolver, (1) Charter Arms 32 mag.; Revolver (Bonnie & Clyde) in original box; Winchester 410 Model 37, single-shot shotgun; Marlin 410, Model 60G single-shot bolt action shotgun; Ammo.

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REAL ESTATE AUCTION

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2021 — 7:00 PM

Elks Lodge at 417 NW 4th St., ABILENE, KANSAS

TRACT 1: The NE4 and the N2SE4 of Section 29-11-3, Dickinson County, Kansas. This farm consists of 236.83 acres according to FSA records. There are 79.48 acres classified as cropland which includes 78.07 tillable acres and 1.41 acres of waterway. There are 155.52 acres of pasture which includes creek with many trees and other habitat. There are 1.83 acres with building site including farm house and several outbuildings. The house has been used as a rental but is currently unoccupied. The soil types on the cropland are Class 2 & 3 Crete soils on the north field and mostly Class 1 Muir with areas of Class 2 & 3 Irwin on the south fields. 2020 property taxes were \$2,892.22. The tillable acres are currently in milo and will be open for spring crops. Tract 1 is located from Abilene, Kansas 6 miles north on Highway 15 to Highway 18, then 5 miles east to Mink Rd. and 2.25 miles north to the southeast corner of the tract.

TRACT 2: The NW4 of Section 28-11-3, Dickinson County, Kansas. This farm consists of 158.72 acres according to FSA records. There are 84.71 acres classified as cropland which includes 83.99 tillable acres and 0.72 acres of waterway. The remaining 74.01 acres is all habitat with creek and many large trees throughout. The soil types on the cropland are approximately 60% Class 3 Geary(Ga), 30% Class 1 Muir(Mb), and 10% Class 2 Crete(Cf) on the north field, nearly all Class 1 Muir(Mb) on the southwest field, and mostly Class 2 Crete(Cf) with areas of Class 2 & 3 Irwin on the southeast field. 2020 property taxes were \$1,687.18. The tillable acres are currently in beans and will be planted to wheat. The new buyer will receive the landlord's 40% share of the wheat crop and will pay the landlord's share of expenses. Tract 2 is located just across the road east of Tract 1.

TERMS: Contracts to close on or before December 23rd, 2022. The buyer is to pay 10% down day of sale with the balance due at closing. Title insurance and escrow fees are to be paid 1/2 each by the seller and the buyer. The seller will pay 2021 and all prior years property taxes. The 2022 property taxes are to be paid by the buyer. The tenant on the farmland is Daryl Ferguson and the farm is sold with his rights to harvest the 2022 wheat crop on Tract 2. The buyers of tract 2 will get possession of any acres planted to wheat after the 2022 harvest. Possession of all other acres will be at closing. The buyers of Tract 1 will get possession of the entire Tract at closing. The buyers will receive all mineral rights. The contract, deed and down payment will be escrowed at Clay County Abstract & Title Company, 610 5th, Clay Center, Kansas 67432. Announcements made sale day to take precedence over printed matter. The sellers and their agents are not responsible for accidents. The auction firm is working for the sellers.

NOTE: For questions regarding the real estate call Bill Schwab at (785) 280-9421.

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BILL SCHWAB & CONNIE STILLWAGON, SELLERS

Auction conducted by: Clay County Real Estate
CALL: Greg Kretz, Salesman & Auctioneer, 785-630-0701

AUCTION

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021 — 10:00 AM

Located 2 1/2 miles South of LYNDON, KS on Hwy 75, 1 mile East on E. 277th, 1/2 mile North on S. Adams Rd.

OR from Southeast of LYNDON on K-68 & Adams Rd., 1 mile South.

27386 S. Adams Road

2010 Chevrolet Silverado 1500, dbl. cab, 5.3L-2WD, 91,000 mi., Good Cond.; 2010 Dodge Grand Caravan ES mini van, straight & clean; Kawasaki Lakota Sport ATV, not running; Craftsman 42" riding mower; Queen sleigh bed; kid's A-frame playhouse; assortment of 30+/- knives; Whirlpool refrigerator; Whirlpool electric

NOTE: VERY PARTIAL LISTING. Inspection Day of Sale Only. Cash, Check Only. NO CARDS.

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