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Mann hosts Thompson for tour of Kansas agriculture

By Donna Sullivan, Editor

As preparations for writing the next farm bill ramp up, Rep. Tracey Mann, who represents the Big First District, welcomed Rep. Glenn (GT) Thompson to Kansas last week. Thompson, of Pennsylvania, is the Republican leader of the House Ag Committee. His tour of the Sunflower State began in Garden City where they visited a feed yard, packing plant, an oil well that is being drilled and a farm. They also met with an ag lender to talk about the farm economy. They had supper that evening with a number of ag producers, then drove to Salina and the next morning continued on to Manhattan. While in the Little Apple they met with Kansas State University president Richard Linton and Ernie Minton, dean of the college of ag. They toured the Kansas Wheat Innovation Center and NBAF before arriving at Kansas Farm Bureau headquarters for a roundtable discussion with industry leaders.

"Nothing makes me more happy than when I get to welcome people to our district and tell the story of our agriculture," Mann said. He added that as the ranking member of the House Ag Committee, Thompson plays an important role. "It also means that if Republicans win the House this fall, he will be the chairman of the House Ag Committee and have the gavel next year when we do the farm bill."

The current farm bill expires on September 30, 2023.

"I was so excited when Congressman Mann invited me to come to Kansas," Thompson said. "I've really been tracking the Big First ever since I came on the ag committee fourteen years ago. This is the largest agriculture congressio-

nal district in the country, and he's proven that in the short period of time I've been here. It's been fascinating to see all the different components of ag, livestock and energy."

The last farm bill was passed in 2018. "We did a pretty good job in 2018," Thompson said. "You don't always get everything perfect because it's such a large piece of legislation, but it's the most important thing that happens on the federal level in Washington when it comes to supporting those folks that works so hard every day, those hard working families that provide us food and fiber and energy resources. It's a key factor not just in what's on our plates and what we might wear, but the rural economy." Thompson said the two goals they have dedicated themselves to is restoring a robust rural economy and creating conditions that will encourage the rebuilding of rural populations in America. "Too many rural areas have had that drain, that loss, and we need that workforce and we need to make sure to work on the right things," he said. "Like rural broadband should not be optional. There should be sufficient broadband to accommodate all the needs."

As for the role climate change mitigation will have in the farm bill, Thompson said, "When it comes to climate, we are doing something our mothers told us not to. We're not only at the table, our elbows are squarely planted on the table, recognizing and promoting the connection between agriculture and climate, because there are no better heroes out there, no better champions for climate change." Thompson said the committee has established four principals for addressing climate



Rep. Tracey Mann, left, hosted Rep. Glenn Thompson in Kansas last week for a tour of agriculture in the state leading up to writing the 2023 farm bill.

Photo by Donna Sullivan

change in the farm bill. First, the approach will be farmer-centric. "Whatever we do, farmers and ranchers benefit most," he said. It will be economically viable. "You can't have a healthy environment without a healthy economy," he stated. "And those who would try to approach them separately will crash and burn." Thirdly, it will be based on science. "But not political science," he clarified. "It should be based on real science, I like to say according to God's law." And finally, start with what works. "It's the voluntary conservation that we support that really has resulted in natural land solutions in this country, in the sequestration of greenhouse gases in the amount of 6.1 gigatons annually," Thompson explained. "To put that in perspective, it's every bit of greenhouse gas

that gets emitted in those lands plus an additional 10.1 percent that could be put towards energy production, manufacturing and transportation."

"There will be those that like the heavy hand of big government," he continued. "But I think, especially if we take back the House, we'll be in a good place of doing things that honor those four principals and actually work."

Earlier that week the House Ag Committee had announced an April 27 hearing concerning competition in the beef packing industry. Thompson said he hopes the hearing will not be designed to demonize the four major processors but instead look for real insight and solutions. "We know that when it comes to the livestock industry we really need to be working towards greater compe-

wheat was also discussed. "There is a legacy and connection between Kansas and our wheat and what we're seeing in Ukraine," Mann said. "The Turkey Red Wheat we grow here in Kansas came from Crimea, came from the Ukraine, so there's this natural connection that we have." He went on to explain that while Ukraine is a country of just over 40 million people, they feed 400 million. "If you look at where that food goes, it is countries mostly to the south of them. It's Turkey, Syria, Iraq, Jordan, Egypt. 85% of the food in Egypt comes from the Ukraine. You have to realize that this horrible action that an authoritarian dictator, Vladimir Putin, has taken, doesn't just destabilize the Ukraine, it's going to destabilize the food supply network to 400 million people." He added that as an independent ag economy, he understands U.S. producers will be impacted by that. "We want to make sure we have the policies in place in America to grow as much grain as possible, to export and fill the gap that the Ukraine can't, for the good of our industry."

"It's vitally important that we get ag policy right," Mann concluded. "Ag policy and food quantity and quality directly impact our national security, but it also impacts our freedom. I can tell you that a reason America is and has been the greatest country in the world is because of our freedoms, in large part because we've never had to rely on another country for our food supply. If we get that wrong, or if we mess that up by having the wrong policies in place, it will have a tremendously bad impact, not only for agriculture but for our country."

Marshall, Moran, Mann announce nearly \$2 million for Kansas State ag research initiatives

U.S. senators Roger Marshall, M.D. and Jerry Moran, alongside U.S. Representative Tracey Mann (KS-01) have announced nearly \$2 million in research grants awarded to Kansas State University by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture. The three research initiatives will focus on early detection and containment of African swine fever as well as improving hard red winter wheat pathogen diagnostics.

"Kansas State University has a long history of research and innovation that has substantially improved our nation's agriculture industry," said Marshall. "All three of these research initiatives have a direct impact on Kansas farmers and ranchers and have the potential to make impactful changes within the various segments on the agriculture industry. I am proud of the work K-State continues to do to support our farmers and producers."

"Agricultural biosecurity is increasingly important to our farmers and ranchers in Kansas, as well as the larger American economy," said Moran. "These federal resources will support Kansas State University's efforts to expand our capability to effectively respond to biothreats in crops and livestock, or prevent them altogether. As a member of the Senate Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee with jurisdiction over USDA, I will continue to advocate for programs that improve our agricultural biosecurity."

"Investing in the next generation of agricultural leaders is paramount to the future of Kansas agriculture, and Kansas State University is leading the charge," said Mann. "As a Kansas State alumnus, I'm proud of the time and resources the university is investing in its students. I look forward to seeing what great initiatives come out of these research projects to empower Kansas farmers, ranchers, and producers."

The grant funding will be used as follows:

\$300,000 will fund a project focused on rapid and early detection measures for African swine fever through antibody testing.

\$650,000 will fund a project centered on reducing the risk of imported feed ingredients serving as a route for introduction of foreign animal disease, including African swine fever, into the U.S.

\$999,397 will fund a project dedicated to protecting the livelihood of producers in the U.S. southern Great Plains who are dependent on hard red winter wheat production through the development of more sensitive diagnostic techniques that can be implemented by grain inspection services.

Flinchbaugh remembered for service to agriculture, U.S. land-grant system

By Susan Schiff, K-State Research and Extension news service

A national grassroots organization that supports agricultural research, extension and teaching has granted one of its top honors to Barry Flinchbaugh, a world-renowned agricultural economist and Kansas State University College of Agriculture professor.

The Council for Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching (CARET) recognized Flinchbaugh posthumously with the Meritorious Service to CARET award, which recognizes those who have made significant contributions to enhance the national sup-

port and understanding of the land-grant university system.

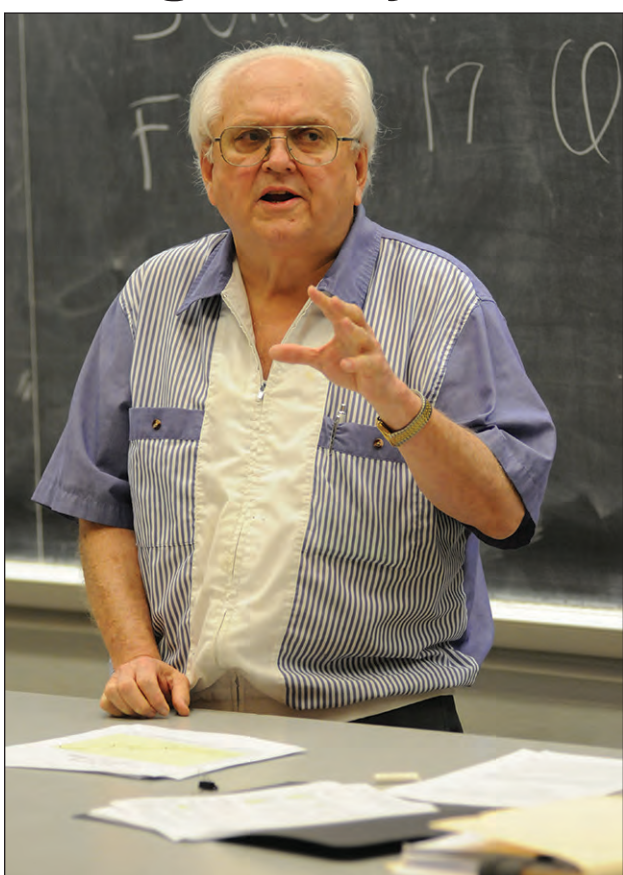
Flinchbaugh was well-known as one of the country's leading experts on agricultural policy and agricultural economics. For more than four decades, he was a top advisor to politicians of both major political parties, including secretaries of agriculture, chairs of the House and Senate Agriculture committees, and numerous senators and state governors.

He was involved to some degree in every U.S. Farm Bill written since 1968 and served on many national boards, advisory groups and task forces, providing input on domestic food and agricultural policy.

Flinchbaugh served as chair of the Commission on 21st Century Production Agriculture, which was authorized in the 1996 Federal Activities Inventory Reform (FAIR) Act, also known as the Freedom to Farm Act.

Since coming to Kansas State University in 1971, Flinchbaugh taught a 400-level course in agricultural policy and served as an agricultural economist for Extension. He taught more than 5,000 students, and his former students include governors, members of the house and senate, staff for agricultural trade organizations, lobbyists, professors, deans, county commissioners and school board members.

He is remembered for his impactful storytelling



Barry Flinchbaugh, Professor Emeritus of Agricultural Economics, taught agricultural policy to more than 4,000 undergraduate students during a nearly half-century career at Kansas State University.

style and his tremendous commitment to his students and those he served throughout the state.

Until his death in November 2020, Flinchbaugh received approximately 100 speaking invitations a year. He authored 100-plus publications, including an agricultural policy textbook.

The presentation of the Meritorious Service to CARET Award was made

during the 2022 Joint CARET/AHS annual meeting on March 6-9.

CARET stands for the Council for Agricultural Research, Extension and Teaching. AHS is an acronym for Administrative Heads Section, which is a unit of the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities' Commission on Food, Environment, and Renewable Resources.



Color of Awakening

By Kim Baldwin, McPherson County farmer
My family and I recently enjoyed a few days off the farm having some fun in the snow in northern New Mexico.

While homeward bound from our spring break ski trip, there were signs of a new season quickly approaching during our drive.

Over our nearly eight

hours on the road, our window views changed from mountainous snowy landscapes highlighting herds of grazing elk to wintry grasslands dotted with antelope.

As we traveled from New Mexico into Oklahoma and then through western Kansas, the rangeland views slowly changed to farm ground. Remnants of the 2021 cotton, corn and

sorghum crops were ever-present as we took in the landscape. Mama cows and their young calves now occupied the fields that had grain harvested from them last fall.

We could also see that this year's wheat crop was slowly coming out of dormancy.

As we continued east-bound back to our home, the wheat fields that displayed small patches of greens among fields of mostly drab browns slowly transformed into larger and more colorful sections of green. The color variations continued to change as we continued towards our central Kansas home.

While appreciating the extra hour of daylight during our drive, I was able to take in the view of the fields as we got closer to our farm. The evening sunlight allowed me a glimpse of a sure sign of a quickly approaching spring as we returned to our neighborhood. Carpets of vividly green wheat fields occupied my view. The bright green blanketed entire fields and provided an unexpected "pop" of color.

The color was so intense and obviously noticeable that I immediately pointed it out to everyone in the car. We had only been gone a few days, but within that

time spring had clearly sprung!

The bright green views not only offered my family a warm welcome home but provided me with a simple reminder that we are getting closer to the end of a long, dreary and cold winter.

Those beautiful windshield views of bright green fields provided me a gentle assurance that warmer temperatures, longer days and our busy season on the farm are just around the corner.

As the days continue to get longer and warmer, the wheat near our home continues to showcase its magnificent beauty with

its dazzling pop of emerald. While some might believe that the view of a waving golden wheat field in the summer is one of the best views in the world, I'd argue the magnificent green fields of wheat in the spring are near the top of my list. To me, it's a color that represents an awakening that ushers in the promise of new life, growth and warmer days to come.

"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.

Bennington State Bank announces opening of Wichita location

The Bennington State Bank (BSB), a leading independent community bank in central Kansas, is celebrating the opening of its newest banking location located at 3954 N. Ridge Rd, Wichita.

The new full-service banking location is now open, offering in-person banking, drive-through banking and a 24-hour ATM. The banking center is located in the new Estancia Business Development on Ridge Road. Customers are welcomed in the lobby Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m., and the drive-through from 7:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m. ATM services are available anytime.

"This location allows us to strengthen our relationships in the Wichita area as well as build new relationships," said Darren Gragg, BSB president and CEO. "We are passionate about expanding our reach, serving

more customers, and investing in the communities we serve. We will always be the local bank where you are treated like family."

Join the bank at their new location on Wednesday, April 13th for a Grand Opening Happy Hour Celebration and Wichita Chamber Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony. BSB will offer open house refreshments all day, with Shaken or Stirred Bar and local food vendors on site from 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony will be held at 2:30 p.m. The celebration is open to the public.

Wichita is The Bennington State Bank's ninth full-service banking location in Kansas. As a full-service banking location, the Wichita BSB offers in-branch services for personal and business banking needs, as well as online and digital solutions. BSB takes pride in

being able to offer the personalized care and service of a community-focused hometown bank paired with leading edge banking technology found at larger banks.

Brandon Knowles is the Wichita Market president. Knowles is a Kansas native and has deep roots in the Wichita area. "BSB has an impeccable 135-year history of creating personal banking relationships with clients through integrity and trust. I am proud to be a part of bringing those values and resources to Wichita," said Knowles.

"We take pride in being the bank you can trust and always putting customers first," said Burke Matthews, BSB president emeritus.

For more information about this and other Bennington State Bank locations, please visit bsbs.com/locations.

House Ag Committee: USDA programs in addressing climate change

Recently the U.S. House Agriculture Committee held a hearing on the farm bill focused on climate policies. The hearing featured a variety of witnesses who provided testimony outlining thoughts on current policy and ideas for the upcoming farm bill, which is scheduled for re-

authorization in 2023.

House Ag Committee Ranking Member Glenn "GT" Thompson said the next farm bill needs common sense solutions.

"I will not fundamentally spend our commodity, conservation and crop insurance programs to appease Washington think

tanks," he said. "I will reject complicating our programs and making climate the focus of every title in the upcoming farm bill reauthorization."

The committee also received testimony from Chuck Conner with the Food and Agriculture Climate Alliance who said

climate-related programs should be voluntary and incentive-based.

"They should advance science-based solutions and outcomes and they should promote resiliency and help rural economies to better adapt to climate change," said Conner.

Testimony to the com-

mittee provided by Dr. Joe Outlaw, co-director, Agriculture and Food Policy Center at Texas A&M University, reinforced the importance of continuing to implement a strong safety net program and incentive-based USDA conservation programs that have worked well in the past.

Outlaw also recommended that Congress consider providing financial incentives to early adopters for practices that sequester carbon and not limit producer eligibility in voluntary climate programs based on size, region or type of crops planted.

Pottawatomie County Conservation District state cost-share sign-up through April 29

The Pottawatomie County Conservation District is conducting a county-wide Non-Point Source Pollution Cost-Share sign-up period through

April 29th, 2022 to accept requests for state financial assistance to install certain conservation practices. The Conservation District administers state

cost-share programs locally to improve water quality and reduce soil erosion. Funding is provided by the Division of Conservation, Kansas Department of Ag-

riculture (DOC) through appropriations from the Kansas Water Plan Fund.

Landowners with natural resource concerns are encouraged to call the Pottawatomie Conservation District to discuss the possibility of receiving state financial assistance. Funding is provid-

ed through cost-share payments to landowners for eligible practices such as: on-site wastewater (septic systems), abandoned well decommissioning, livestock waste systems and other acceptable water quality improvements projects.

Following the sign-up

deadline each request is carefully reviewed to ensure eligibility. Priority and ranking worksheets will be utilized to determine funding for cost-share applications. This ranking system ensures fairness to landowners and guarantees cost-share funds are utilized to meet local conservation practices. Cost-share funds are not available for practices started before approval by DOC and must be signed by the landowner. Any qualifying approved contracts will be funded after July 1, 2022.

The Conservation District works closely with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation District (NRCS) to protect and conserve our natural resources, primarily soil and water. Conservation practices funded with state cost-share funds MUST be installed and maintained according to NRCS and DOC specifications.

For more information on state cost-share programs, please contact: Marlene Schmidt, district manager of the Pottawatomie County Conservation District.



Lambing season ended yesterday morning, or at least I thought it had. We had gotten down to what I thought were our last two ewes and I had them in the lambing barn. It really made life a lot easier because we didn't have to worry about any of the ewes in the lot, they were shut out of the weather, and they could be checked in a matter of minutes. It was like being done, except those two needed to be checked.

One of the two was a very mature ewe with a giant udder and a belly like she had quads. We watched and agonized over her for at least a week, maybe two. She would lay down and act uncomfortable, prompting one of us to declare that today was the day. Then, later that day, she would be at the hay feeder eating like she didn't have a care in the world. That night she would be chewing her cud and not looking suspicious at all.

We were to the point with her that we had considered taking her into the vet to make sure she was all right. She acted healthy enough, but she just had to be having those babies at any minute. A watched ewe is like a watched pot; they will not lamb while you are paying attention and that was the case with her. She lambed in the middle of the day with two extremely healthy, very big twins. Everything went exceptionally smooth, and we wondered just what we were worried about. Such is the life of a shepherd.

The other ewe was a yearling and to be honest, we kept looking at her trying to decide if she was even bred. After the mature ewe lambed, we got lax because we had about talked ourselves into thinking she was open. Okay, I know if I would put markers on my rams, it would make my life much easier in knowing who was bred and when they would lamb. I am a glutton for punishment and not one to make anything in my life easier. Besides, I like the element of surprise, or at least that is what I tell myself. We did keep her in the lambing barn with the older ewe for company and we did look in on her from time to time.

That week we had a rain event, finally, and it was raining when I should have been doing chores. I admit it, I enjoyed the rain with an extra cup of coffee, and I

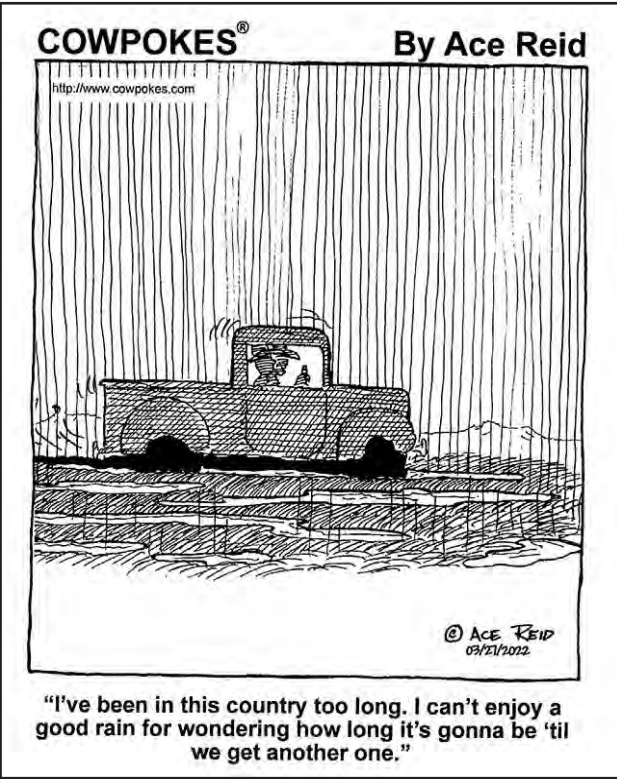
was later in getting to the lambing barn. Much to my surprise the little ewe had a nice, alert, and most importantly, alive baby. She was doing a bang-up job as a mother, and all was good. I promptly texted Jennifer and told her lambing season was officially over and it was a success.

Her reply caught me off-guard. It was simply; 'Good, are you sure?' What did she mean, am I sure? The ewe had a lamb, she was the last one, so we were done. She went on to remind me that each of the last several years I had also declared the end of lambing season only to be surprised. I assured her I was much more organized and all ewes that were exposed to a ram had lambed. Although I could not see her, I knew there was an eye roll.

Fast-forward to that night and we were feeding hay. The hay is located in a spot where all the pens are visible, including the pen holding the ewes that did not have lambs. Or should I say the pen that had ewes that were not supposed to have lambs. I say that because there in the middle of the barn was an ewe with a lamb. I am happy to say mother and baby are doing just fine and we moved them up to be with the other two newest additions to the 2022 lamb crop.

As soon as we saw the lamb, Jennifer reminded me of my text stating that we were done. Technically I was right: we had finished lambing that day, just not the way I thought we had and an hour or two after I sent the text. In any case, I was wrong, and she was right and there was not a thing I could do but admit defeat. I did point out that everything had worked out fine so there really was no foul, but I don't think that argument held water.

Jennifer herded the mother and baby up the alley to the lambing barn and as she closed the gate I said, "Now lambing season is officially over." To which my loving bride looked at me and asked if I was really sure this time. Well, kind of, about ninety percent sure, fairly sure. So, I am declaring to all of you that Brunkow Family Lamb is officially done with the 2022 lambing season, maybe.



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KSU Meat Judging Team continues winning ways

The 2022 KSU Meat Judging Team notched its third win in a row at the Iowa State Meat Judging Contest held in Ames, Iowa. This is the fourth time in the past five years that the team has won this competition, retiring the challenge trophy for this event. Kansas State was followed by the teams from Oklahoma State (2nd), South Dakota State (3rd), University of Illinois (4th), and Iowa State (5th). In total, 56 students representing ten universities competed in the contest. The Kansas State team is coached by graduate students Lane Egger and Lindsey Decker and Dr. Travis O'Quinn.

Team Results:
Champion Team Overall
High Team in Reasons
High Team in Placings
High Team in Specifications



The KSU Meat Judging Team is having another successful season, recently taking first place at the Iowa State Meat Judging Contest for the fourth time in five years.

High Team in Lamb Judging
High Team in Beef Judging
High Team in Pork Judging
High Team in Processed Meats
2nd High Team in Beef Grading
2nd High Team in Summer Sausage
Individual Results:
Chesney Effling – High Individual Overall, 1st Placings, 1st Pork Judging, 2nd Beef Grading, 2nd Specifications, 4th Lamb Judging
Delaney Shaw – 3rd High Individual Overall, 3rd Specifications, 5th Beef Judging
Riley Krehbiel – 4th High Individual Overall, 2nd Pork Judging, 4th Specifications
Ellie Kidwell – 6th High Individual Overall, 1st Lamb Judging, 3rd Beef Grading
Charles Bunker – High Alternate
Rebecca Donaldson – 2nd High Alternate
Alex Scovill – 3rd High Alternate
For a full list of results: <https://www.judgingcard.com/Results/Events.aspx?ID=16063>
Team members include: Alex Scovill of Laingsburg, Mich.; Charles Bunker of Mebane, N.C.; Chesney Effling of Highmore, S.D.; Delaney Shaw of Tulare, Ca.; Ellie Kidwell of Walhonding, Ohio; Rebecca Donaldson of Berryton; and Riley Krehbiel of Kingman.

Highly pathogenic avian influenza continues to spread in Kansas

The Kansas Department of Agriculture has now identified two new counties which have confirmed cases of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) as the disease outbreak continues in Kansas and nationwide. Samples from birds exhibiting HPAI symptoms in a non-commercial backyard mixed-species flock (poultry) in Dickinson County and also in a non-commercial backyard mixed-species flock (non-poultry) in rural Sedgwick County were confirmed today by the National Veterinary Services Laboratories in Ames, Iowa.

KDA is working closely with USDA-APHIS on a joint incident response in both of the new locations. KDA officials quarantined the affected premises, and birds on both properties will be depopulated to prevent the spread of the disease.

Anyone involved with

poultry production, from the small backyard chicken owner to the large commercial producer, should review their biosecurity activities to assure the health of their birds. Find guidance on biosecurity on the KDA Division of Animal Health webpage at agriculture.ks.gov/Avian-Influenza. Going forward, any additional confirmed cases will be shared directly with local communities and announced on the KDA Avian Influenza webpage, rather than through a statewide news release.

Highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) is a highly contagious viral disease that can infect chickens, turkeys and other birds and can cause severe illness and/or sudden death in infected birds. Attentively monitor your birds for symptoms of HPAI which include: coughing, sneezing, nasal discharge, and other signs of respiratory distress;

lack of energy and appetite; decreased water consumption; decreased egg production and/or soft-shelled, misshapen eggs; lack of coordination; and diarrhea. Avian influenza can also cause sudden death in birds even if they aren't showing other symptoms.


If these symptoms are observed in your birds, immediately contact your veterinarian. If you don't have a regular veterinarian, contact KDA's Division of Animal Health office toll-free at 833-765-2006.

According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the recent HPAI detections do not present an immediate public health concern. No human cases of these avian influenza viruses have been detected in the United States. Birds and eggs from the infected flock will not enter the food system. As a reminder, the proper handling and cooking


of all poultry and eggs to an internal temperature of 165°F is recommended as a general food safety precaution.

As part of existing avian influenza response plans, federal and state partners are working jointly on additional surveillance and testing in areas around the affected flocks. The United States has the strongest AI surveillance program in the world, and USDA is working with its partners to actively look for the disease in commercial poultry operations, live bird markets and in migratory wild bird populations.

For more information about HPAI, including current status of the confirmed cases in other states as well as more information about biosecurity for your flock, go to KDA's avian influenza webpage at agriculture.ks.gov/AvianInfluenza or call KDA at 833-765-2006.



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Jackie Doud, Topeka, Wins This Week's Grass & Grain Recipe Contest

Winner Jackie Doud, Topeka:

ROASTED LEMON POTATOES

- 1/3 cup fresh lemon juice
- 1/3 cup chicken broth
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 1 1/2 teaspoons salt
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- Pepper to taste
- 2 1/2 pounds Yukon Gold potatoes, cut into 1-inch wedges

Set oven to 425 degrees. Position rack in lower third of oven. Whisk lemon juice, broth, oil, salt, garlic powder and pepper. Spread potatoes on rimmed baking sheet. Pour lemon juice mixture over to coat well and toss. Roast until juices are bubbling, about 30 minutes.

Toss and roast until potatoes are tender, about 10-15 minutes longer.

Toss and season with more salt.

Millie Conger, Tecumseh:

CHICKEN SPAGHETTI

- 1 1/4 cups dry spaghetti, broken in 2-inch pieces & cooked, drained
- 2 cups cooked chicken, cut in cubes
- 1/4 cup diced pimentos (out of jar)
- 1/4 cup chopped green pepper
- 1/2 cup chopped onions
- 1 can mushroom soup
- 1/2 cup chicken broth
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon pepper
- 1 3/4 cups grated Cheddar cheese, divided
- Cook spaghetti. Mix all ingredients using half the cheese. Pour into casserole dish. Top with remaining cheese. Bake 45 minutes at 350 degrees

Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

MUD DESSERT

- 1/2 gallon vanilla ice cream, softened
- 1 jar hot fudge sundae topping

- 1 large package Oreo cookies
- 8 ounces Cool Whip
- 1 1/2 cups peanuts, no skins

Crush cookies and place in bottom of a 9-by-13-inch pan. Layer with ice cream, peanuts and fudge topping. Freeze for several hours until firm. Then top with Cool Whip before serving.

Kellee George, Shawnee:

EARTHQUAKE CAKE

- 1 cup chopped nuts
- 1 cup coconut
- 1 German chocolate cake mix (mix together as directed on package)
- 8 ounces cream cheese
- 1 stick butter or oleo
- 2 cups sugar
- Spread nuts and coconut in bottom of a 9-by-13-inch pan. Make cake batter and pour over nuts and coconut. Mix cream cheese, butter and sugar. Drop by tablespoons on top of cake mix. Swirl with a knife one direction and

then the other to marble. Bake at 350 degrees for 55 minutes to one hour.

Kimberly Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma: CHEESE & BACON DEVILED EGGS

- 12 large eggs
- 2 tablespoons mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup grated sharp Cheddar cheese
- 2 tablespoons pickle juice
- 2 tablespoons minced pimentos (out of jar)
- 1 teaspoon mustard
- Salt & black pepper to taste
- 2 slices bacon, cooked & crumbled
- Boil eggs and peel. Cut in half and put yolks in bowl. Add mayonnaise, cheese, pickle juice, pimentos, mustard, salt and pepper. Fill each egg white half. Garnish with bacon.

ROASTED BALSAMIC SWEET POTATOES & TOFU

- 1/2 cup balsamic vinegar
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar

3 sweet potatoes, peeled & chopped
1 package firm or extra firm tofu
Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Remove tofu from package and pat dry. Cut into 3/4-inch cubes. Cook vinegar and sugar in non-reactive saucepan over low heat until slightly thickened. Place potatoes and tofu in large bowl and coat with vinegar mixture. Gently mix, making sure to coat everything evenly. Spread potatoes and tofu onto a baking sheet in a single layer. Bake in preheated oven for 40 minutes, flipping halfway through.

Nutritional information: Calories 115; Total Fat 1 g (.2g Sat. Fat); Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 58 mg; Total Carbs 22.5 g; Protein 3.4 g; Fiber 3.1 g
Source: Soyfoods Council (via Soyfoods Guide 2019-2020)

Wheat Scoop: Celebrate Bake And Take Month This March

Written by Julia Debes for Kansas Wheat

Whether you know you will be stress eating carbs during March Madness, have old bananas in the freezer you've been meaning to make into bread or just are looking to bring a smile to someone's face, good things come to those who bake — especially in March! This month is designated as Bake and Take Month, and Kansas Wheat encourages all to use this opportunity to reconnect with others through a heartfelt, freshly-baked treat.

The premise of Bake and Take Month is sim-

ple — bake something and share it with a neighbor, friend or relative. Perhaps even more important than how the finished product looks or tastes, deliver them with a personal visit or leave a handwritten note.

“The tradition of Bake and Take Month stretches back more than 50 years,” said Cindy Falk, nutrition educator, Kansas Wheat. “What started as a promotion to educate consumers about the importance of home baking and the nutritional value of wheat foods also provides a way for us to spend time with our loved ones and give back

to our communities.”

Bake and Take Month started with Bake and Take Day in 1970 as a community service project of the Kansas Wheathearts in Sumner County. The Kansas Wheathearts, an auxiliary organization of the Kansas Association of Wheat Growers, set out to share baked goods with family members, friends, neighbors and others, generating community goodwill. The idea of a community member sharing a favorite recipe with someone special was so successful that the Kansas Wheathearts created a national Bake and Take Day celebration in 1973, celebrated on the fourth Saturday in March. Although the Kansas Wheathearts disbanded in 2001, Kansas Wheat continues to support this tradition in partnership with the Home Baking Association.

“Bake and Take Month is a great opportunity for us to gather together in the kitchen and around the oven,” Falk said. “Break out the oven mitts and create memories together while spreading cheer in your community.”

Baking together as a family provides not only an opportunity to bond together — and poten-

tially cover your kitchen in flour — but also a chance for your children or grandchildren to hone math, science, art, reading and direction-following skills. Learn more about how to include your little ones in Bake and Take Month at <https://eatwheat.org/learn/cooking-kids-kitchen/>.

“Getting kids in the kitchen has many benefits,” wrote registered dietician Jill Ladd on the EatWheat site. “Not only are children more likely to consume foods that they help prepare but inviting them into the kitchen from a young age can instill a love for cooking and help teach them fundamental life skills.”

However you choose to celebrate Bake and Take Month this March, the surprise of a baked good is sure to bring a smile to the recipient's face — continuing the long tradition of baking and sharing together as a community.

Looking for a new recipe to try out for Bake and Take Month? Visit <https://kswheat.com/bakeandtake> or check out the DIY food gift ideas at <https://eatwheat.org/learn/diy-food-gift-ideas/>

For audio version, visit kansaskswheat.org.



Sports fan or not, March brings out the competitive side in most of us, me included. My usual complete disinterest in sports is thrown out the window as I declare myself the obvious choice to win all brackets I might enter. Have I watched any games leading up to this point? Probably not, but my confidence is there and strong and I am determined to win it all.

This year was no different, I started talking a lot of trash early on; finally convincing the guys at work that we needed to do another office bracket and jumping in on my future husband's company's bracket. You might be curious how someone with virtually no sports knowledge fills out her bracket? Easy! I looked at the very little icons next to the names on the ESPN website and picked whichever icon I liked better.

There were no allegiances to Kansas or to my future husband's alma mater, I went solely on those little pictures next to the names. Spiders were obviously out and most of the time if a cat of any kind was involved, I would pick that team to win. Ultimately, I landed on Gonzaga, Arizona, Baylor and Wisconsin in the Final Four with Wisconsin winning it all.

Saturday rolls around and the darn Cyclones ruin my dreams of being the ultimate winner and put my future husband in the doghouse until next year, when I will have a chance to redeem myself. Alma mater or not, I am a sore loser and did not like the fact that his team took me out of the running to be the ultimate winner.

Once the realization hit that my chances were slim to win anything, I officially changed my tune; I

am now a diehard Peacock fan, rooting for them to win it all. I am all about an underdog and since I cannot win, I sure hope they shock us all and take home that coveted championship. Hope your brackets are looking better than mine but if all else fails, hopefully your team is still in it to win, but if not feel free to jump on my bandwagon and yell, go Peacocks!

- Banana Snack Bars
- 1 2/3 cups flour
 - 1 teaspoon baking soda
 - 1 cup brown sugar
 - 1/2 cup water
 - 1/3 cup mashed ripe bananas
 - 1/3 cup canola oil
 - 1/2 teaspoon vanilla
 - Powdered sugar

Preheat over to 350 degrees. Spray an 8-by-8-inch pan.

Gather two separate mixing bowls. In the first one whisk flour and baking soda. In the other mixing bowl, whisk brown sugar, water, banana, oil and vanilla. Stir the wet ingredients into the dry ingredients.

Bake for 30-35 minutes or until a toothpick comes out clean. Let cool and then dust with powdered sugar, cut and enjoy!

*Would also be good with a vanilla glaze, so some powdered sugar, vanilla and milk.

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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Kansas Profile – Now That’s Rural: A Trip Back In Time – Pawnee Rock Easter Pageant

By Ron Wilson, director of the Huck Boyd National Institute for Rural Development at Kansas State University

Let’s take a trip back in time. How far? Let’s say, a couple of thousand years. That’s the premise of a play that one rural Kansas community performs live on Easter Sunday, using a remarkable stone outcropping as a natural stage.

Dale and Berny Unruh and Roy and Tricia Prescott are co-organizers of the working committee that produces this play as the Pawnee Rock Easter Pageant. Dale is a native of the area who taught agriculture before farming. While at K-State, he met his wife Berny, who became an Extension agent. Berny is originally from the rural community of Munden, population 100 people. Now, that’s rural.

Tricia grew up at Pawnee Rock. She went to Fort Hays State, married Roy, and is a teacher. Both the Unruhs and the Prescotts live near Pawnee Rock today.

The town of Pawnee Rock is named for the actual rock, a remarkable sandstone outcropping that stands 50 feet above the surrounding plains. For centuries it has been a landmark for natives and travelers

across the prairie.

In 1932, an east-coast author wrote an Easter-themed play called The Way of the Cross. It tells the story of a modern-day person who goes back in time and is observing the events in the city of Jerusalem at the time of Jesus’s crucifixion. According to the Bible, the crucifixion took place on a hill near Jerusalem.

In 1936, the ministerial alliance at Pawnee Rock decided to perform this play outside as a sunrise Easter pageant, using the rock itself as the natural backdrop. Three crosses were temporarily placed atop the rock. A choir provided accompaniment. It worked so well that, until 1972, the pageant was performed annually (except for World War II) on Easter Sunday.

In 1981, the pageant was revived by local volunteers with the plan to perform it every other year. That tradition continues today, although the pandemic forced a postponement in 2021. On April 17, volunteers will again perform the pageant at the historic Pawnee Rock.

Vivian Bright was the organizer of this event for more than 20 years. Vivian turns 90 in 2022. In 2019, her daughter Tricia Prescott and Tricia’s husband Roy assumed the co-organizer

role along with the Unruhs.

This is a multi-generational community event. Tricia and Dale remember their parents hauling them to the pageant as kids. Tricia now plays the part of Salome, which her mother Vivian had played at one time. “(Vivian’s) mom had helped with the choir in the 1940s,” Tricia said.

There are also roles in the play for children. “I was told, ‘We’d like your daughter to play one of the children’s parts. And by the way, since you’re here anyway, we’ve got an opening for a Pharisee,’” Dale said. The Unruhs have been involved ever since.

Dale and Berny’s daughters are now grown. Both live in Manhattan but return for the pageant. Nicolette is a managing partner of Nico’s Little Italy restaurant and Danette is a radiology technician. In the pageant, Nicolette plays Mary Magdalene and Danette is the Spirit of Easter. Their mom Berny helps with the costuming.

In 2022, Tricia Prescott’s seven-year-old granddaughter will fill one of the children’s roles. That would make the fifth generation of her family to participate in the event.

A professional sound company provides sound

for a discounted fee. Volunteers do setup and cleanup. After the pageant, the owner of the old train depot opens it up for donuts and coffee.

“This is a fun event for our little community to really grab hold of, and the play has a great message,” Dale said. The rock itself is a prominent feature of the play. “That setting makes you feel like you’re going back in time,” he said. “It’s a really bright spot for our community,” Tricia said.

For more information about the pageant, search for Pawnee Rock Easter on Facebook.

It’s time to return to the present, where the rural community of Pawnee Rock is preparing for the 2022 Easter pageant. We commend all the volunteers who are making a difference by conducting this performance. I hope they rock on!

Audio and text files of Kansas Profiles are available at <http://www.kansasprofile.com>. For more information about the Huck Boyd Institute, interested persons can visit <http://www.huckboydinstitute.org>

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Participants are asked to RSVP to the Washington Extension office at 785-325-2121 or by emailing Kelsey Hatesohl at khatesohl@ksu.edu.



Dear Reader

By Lou Ann Thomas Dear Reader, I appreciate you. I’m not sure I’ve told you that before, but it’s true. I appreciate you.

You are the reason I do this – write this column. Oh, I’m sure it appears as though I’m writing it for myself, since I so often write about myself. And that’s true. I do write it for myself. But I write about my life thinking you might relate. I write with the hope that you might see a bit of yourself or someone you know and realize you’re not alone.

None of us are truly alone. We share bits and pieces of our life experiences with each other – whether those are our doubts, triumphs, tragedies or epiphanies. So often when we hit patches that are as rough as a rutted path through the pasture we wonder if the challenges we are facing might place us too far outside the circle to feel included and accepted. I write hoping to assure you, and myself, that we don’t move through our lives alone, either someone is standing next to us, or is cheering us on. I write hoping that we will all begin to understand that by accepting our weirdness – and honestly, we’re all weird – we discover our wholeness.

I write because I love feeling like I’m sitting right there with you sharing a cup of coffee or a

restful time in a comfy chair. I write because I really enjoy your company even though the conversation is so one sided.

As I have previously shared – likely over-shared – I will be getting the first of two new upgraded shoulders this week. For several weeks after I will only have use of one arm so typing won’t be possible. That means I will be taking some time off to heal and I am so very grateful to my editors at Grass & Grain for allowing me this time and assuring me there is still a place at the table. Maybe the recuperation and healing time will inspire new writing and stories to share with you. We can always hope, can’t we? And if all goes well, I will try to pop in between the shoulder replacements to see how you’re doing.

In the meantime, take good, tender care of yourself, remember to look both ways before crossing the street, keep your shoes tied because falling is easy but getting back up may not be, drink plenty of water, wear glasses if you need them, smile – even at strangers because you never know when you’ll meet a new friend, be kind – no exceptions and remember you can’t give what you don’t have so love and accept yourself first.

Oh, and don’t forget – I appreciate you!

Charcuterie: Tips, Tricks And Science Behind The Internet’s Favorite Party Tray

By Emily Halstead, K-State Research and Extension news service

MANHATTAN – A party tray with a funny name has gained popularity recently, leaving many wondering what exactly they are, and how in the world do you pronounce it?

Kansas State University food scientist Karen Blakeslee says the foods commonly included on charcuterie boards are safe to eat, as long as you stick to the true meaning of the word.

“The word charcuterie is French for cured meat,” Blakeslee said. “These flavorful meats are dry cured, so they are safe without refrigeration or freezing.”

And by the way, the pronunciation: Webster’s dictionary lists it as “shar-coo-tree.”

Chefs today have many cured meats to choose from to pair with cheese, crackers, nuts, and fruits for the full charcuterie board experience. While the cured meats need not be refrigerated or frozen, food safety is still important when crafting a charcuterie board.

“Since these foods are ready-to-eat and not heated, handwashing is especially important,” Blakeslee said. “Rinse fresh fruit in cold running water, and if preparing the board ahead of serving time keep the fruit and cheese refrigerated.”

Dry cured meats are a mix of science and art, where salt, meat chemistry, temperature and environment are combined to create unique flavors. Blakeslee said water ac-

tivity is crucial to creating shelf stable meat.

“The water activity – or the amount of water available within the food that can allow the growth of microorganisms – is affected by the moisture content, salt content and environmental temperature,” she said. By reducing the water activity, microorganism growth is inhibited.

Another way flavor is added to cured meats is by adding starter cultures to dried sausages. This decreases the pH, or acidity, and adds a tangy flavor.

Blakeslee said a few popular meat choices for a delicious charcuterie board are dry-cured ham, country ham, and prosciutto.

Local meat business owners interested in learning how to cure meats can contact K-State’s Value Added Services and Programs, located in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry, for information on how to com-

ply with USDA regulations and other consulting and technical services.

Blakeslee, who is also coordinator of K-State’s Rapid Response Center for Food Science, publishes a monthly newsletter called You Asked It! that provides numerous tips on food safety. More information is also available from local extension offices in Kansas.

Links used in this story: K-State Rapid Response Center for Food Science, www.rrc.k-state.edu

You Asked It! (newsletter), www.rrc.k-state.edu/newsletter

Value Added Services and Programs, <https://www.asi.k-state.edu/research-and-extension/meat-science/value-added/index.html>

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Mr. Sam

Sam was a character, one of several I've had the privilege of knowing in my life. His story telling was, well, time-consuming, in his slow drawl, but the topics were always interesting. One of his favorite lines to start a story was, "Me and old White Horse was..." White Horse was, yes, Sam's horse. And yes, he was white. I have no idea how old that horse was, but for all the stuff he and Sam did in those stories, he must've been about 65.

Sam also liked to "tip the jug," if you know what I mean. Occasionally, Sam would drive his old 1950-something pickup with the wooden stock racks, into town, with old

White Horse riding in the back, no tailgate, and nothing between the horse and the 35 mph road but a periodically renewed strand of baler twine tied across the back about butt-high. Sam would park that truck in the grader ditch in front of the bar, so that old White Horse didn't have to step down very far when he backed off the pickup bed. His rider would saunter into the bar, and find his favorite stool by the window where he could watch old White Horse. He'd tell stories, visit with friends and neighbors, and on occasion, intimidate some stranger who stopped in to pick up a six-pack to go. Sam always carried a four-

inch Buck knife on his belt, brass knuckles in his pocket, and a .32 cal. hide-out pistol in his boot. One night I was playing pool, killing time, and watched Sam when a stranger with a long ponytail came in to get a carry-out order. The place was nearly empty. Sam pulled that Buck out of his belt and caught the overhead bar light on its blade and reflected it through the back mirror into the stranger's eyes. He said, "Sonny, I bet I could take that pony tail off at your collar before you know it's gone." That fella shuffled out quicker than he came in, and the barkeep (Sam's sister) scolded Sam as he just sat there giggling to himself.

Although I think Sam was fairly harmless, he did have a temper, and I saw it light up once when we were shipping cattle. A late summer storm rolled in quickly on us as we were loading cattle onto trucks, which we abandoned, and

pulled two stock trailers parallel, stretching a tarp between them. The rain looked like it had set in for a while, so the foreman grabbed a couple of us and we dragged the branding pot, and the gas bottle from the shack, over just under the edge of the tarp and lit the fire, setting an old coffee pot on top to boil. Someone had some store-bought cinnamon rolls in their truck, so those came out, and soon enough we were having coffee and rolls in the dry shelter of the tarp and inside the trailers as a real toad-strangler let go.

After a while, that tarp began to hold quite a bit of water in the low corner, which was at the end of one of the trailers, on the latch side, and the door was swung open. Two or three cowboys were up inside that trailer, when the prankster, "Billy," pulls his jackknife and starts grinning with a twinkle in his eyes. Old

Sam was standing directly under the sagging corner of that tarp, which by now must've held about 20 gallons of rainwater, peacefully enjoying his roll and coffee. Billy reached up with that pocket knife just as someone said, "Don't." But it was too late! That baler twine holding that water-laden tarp was stretched thin and just a touch of that blade released 20 gallons of water right on Sam's head! As Sam stood there, assessing what had just happened, with his old John B. Stetson drooping from shoulder to shoulder and still holding his coffee cup in one hand and his soggy roll in the other, the fire came up in his eyes, and he dropped both the coffee and the roll as he unsheathed that Buck and whirled around, trapping Billy up inside that trailer! Sam hissed through his teeth, "I'm gonna gut you, you ---," as he stepped up into that

trailer. Fortunately, a couple cowboys grabbed Sam and held him long enough to cool his temper, and Billy escaped the trailer, to prank another day! It was quite funny, but when Sam turned around to look at us, nobody was laughing.

As Sam was prone to do, he generally closed down the bar, and if he knew he couldn't drive, he would unhook that baler twine, and old White Horse, who might have been patiently standing in that old truck for six or seven hours, would slowly back off the truck. Sam would mount up and old White Horse would take him the five miles or more to home.

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The phosphorus cycle – from mine, to farm, to river

By James Coover, crop production agent, Wildcat Extension District

Phosphorus (P) is one of the most vital elements and nutrients on the planet. There is no substitution for it biologically in plants, animals, or people. This controversial nutrient is at the center of international trade tariffs and lawsuits. As of the writing of this article, Diammonium phosphate (DAP), the world's most widely used phosphorus fertilizer, is over \$1,000 a ton. Farmer-based organizations are questioning the status quo to the nearly monopolized market of this fertilizer. To understand the controversy, why it is so expensive, and how it can even be mo-

nopolized, requires understanding the nature of the element itself and where it can be found.

Phosphorus makes up 0.09 percent of the Earth's crust by weight. That's actually a fairly common element. While very rare in some places on the planet, other locations have lots of it in the form of rock phosphate. This rock phosphate was formed from the mineralization of ancient sea creatures, uplifted to the surface by tectonic forces. It has been speculated that without the movement of tectonics, the lack of phosphorus would be one of many restrictions to life on other planets. Much like oil and natural gas, economically viable concen-

trations occur in specific places. In the U.S., most of our P comes from Florida and nearly all of it is owned by the Mosaic Company. Other states with phosphate mines include North Carolina, Idaho, and Utah.

For the past hundred years, the U.S. has mined and used the most phosphorus worldwide. Only in the past decade has China become the dominant miner and user. The small country of Morocco is said to contain two-thirds of the world's phosphate rock. The U.S. and China have less than 10 percent. The need for phosphorus is so high in the U.S. and China that despite being the largest P producer, Moroccan P imports have increased. Several lawsuits have resulted from Mosaic (who has 80 percent of the U.S. market share) persuading the International Trade Commission to impose 19 percent tariffs on Moroccan phosphorus.

land has an excess amount of P. This could be true in locations with concentrated cattle feed lots or poultry operations. While not a statistically accurate dataset, around 20 percent of the cropland soil tests through the Wildcat District offices have had P above 30 ppm, with many above 50 ppm. One massive change to P loss in the U.S. would be to spread out confined feeding operations and to more closely monitor background P in fields. Since most P is adsorbed into soil, limiting soil loss will also play a big part. While pastures have less total P loss than cropland because they lose less topsoil, they often have a high dissolved P loss. Having hay bunks next to waterways and feeding in the same location every year only concentrates the nutrients while increasing P losses.

As a society, another place to limit P loss is in areas of confined human operations, aka cities. Millions of tons of P pass through municipal water supplies each year while millions more tons end up in landfills from food waste. Reducing food waste would mean less need for P fertilizer in the first place, affecting both sides of the P loss cycle. However, altering people's habits on such a massive scale is in no way an easy task.

Phosphorus is complex, non-renewable, and one day might be as hard to come by as oil, except P will never have a substitution. For now, all we can do is to preserve what we've got by only applying if needed, limiting areas of high P concentration in the field, and preventing soil erosion. Reach out to your local Extension office for publications on these topics.

If you have any questions about soil fertility, please contact James Coover, crop production agent, jcoover@ksu.edu or (620) 724-8233.

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APPLIANCES, FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD: Stainless steel Whirlpool convection oven, microwave & Kenmore refrigerator, all like new; Gibson upright freezer; Kenmore washer & elec. dryer; matching couch & loveseat, nice; couch; numerous occasional chairs & wood chairs; antique buffet; king & queen size beds; full size bed, chest of drawers & dresser; end tables; numerous lamps; step stool chair; high chair; sewing machine cabinet; wood bookcase; lg. mirror; quilt rack; magazine rack; standing clock; bird cage on stand; fans; sm. file cabinet; tator bin; TV trays; HP fax/copy machine; many quilts & blankets; decorative pillows; lg. planters & *much more.* **YARD, TOOLS & MISC:** JD Z445 zero turning mower, nice; Stihl weed eater; Stihl chainsaw, MS192; 3 gal. sprayer; wheelbarrow; Green Mountain pellet grill; charcoal grill; fertilizer spreader; 220 air compressor; Craftsman roll away tool chest; wrenches; pliers; screwdrivers; cable winches; boomers; handyman jacks; measuring wheel; arc welder, older; metal welding table w/vise; 100 gal. fuel tank, elec. pump; propane weed burner; 12 & 34 freon gauges; pump w/barrel; 220 elec. motor; elec. fences; tarps; hay fork & *much more.*

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SELLING SATURDAY, APRIL 2 - 10:00 AM

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SELLING SUNDAY, APRIL 3 - 10:00 AM

COLLECTIBLES: Hull corky pig; Hull green swan set; Schwinn elliptical; printer trays; collection of Hallmark miniatures; ***Native American Art & Collectibles:*** Oil painting, map, prints, head-dress, Sandstone coasters, pottery, dream catchers, painted gourds, vases, Monfort Indian Man, bowls, new art; ***Cast Iron:*** Griswold #10 w/lid, Griswold #80, Lodge #14 w/ lid, Wagner square skillet, Griswold #252 corn pan; Ruby berry bowls; baskets; books; Goebel birds; lots of Christmas items; cream can; copper bucket; child red wagon; barn lanterns; afghans & blankets; gumball machine; stained glass window; wind chime; ***many items too numerous to mention!***

FURNITURE: Antique secretary; credenza; wooden chairs; book shelf; 2-drawer file cabinet; gold rocker; dresser with mirror; side tables; bedroom set.

YARD & GARAGE ITEMS: ***Yard art:*** metal cat, dog, grasshopper, frog; Welcome sign; bird feeder; bird houses; camper top; walking plow; 3-pt post auger; Charge Airpro air compressor; garden hose; planters; wood ladder; bbq grill; rope swing; lanterns; watering can; wagon wheels; concrete yard art; ***more!***

SELLERS: RICHARD & SUE CODY
NOTE: Richard and Sue have decided to move and are offering a 26-year accumulation of collectibles, cars tools and household. Many Nice items! Join Us for a Fun Time! CONCESSIONS available.

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Valor Honey announces e-commerce site; purchases benefit veterans

Valor Honey announces the launch of its new e-commerce site, ValorHoney.org. The new website allows anyone in the country to purchase Valor Honey and contribute to the effort to save veteran's lives.

Valor Honey is a Section 501(c)(3) charitable, educational not-for-profit corporation based in Manhattan. All Valor Honey is either produced or bottled by U.S. veterans who have gone through Valor Honey's proprietary beekeeping program.

"Too many veterans struggle with life as a result of their military service. We owe them a way to recover and find wholeness again," says Gary LaGrange, Colonel, U.S. Army Retired, founder and chairman of the board for Valor Honey. "Over the past ten years, we have changed the lives of over 1500 veterans through our training and therapy programs."

All Valor Honey is certified by GenuHoney, the most comprehensive and credible honey authenticity certification program in the country. The

Experts say beef remains a feasible option

Beef remains an option for consumers on a tight budget, despite elevated prices, according to experts at Oklahoma State University.

"From the beginning of the pandemic to the fourth quarter of 2021, choice box beef — which is the equivalent to a carcass level price — is up 2.8%," Derrell Peel, an OSU Extension livestock marketing specialist, stated.

Peel said even when you compare prices from the initial pandemic shutdown when meat packing plants closed and there were massive supply chain disruptions, our most expensive cuts of meat — such as the tenderloin and ribeye — were higher in 2021.



Valor Honey recently launched an e-commerce site to sell honey produced or bottled by U.S. veterans, with all proceeds going to assist them in establishing a meaningful life.

GenuHoney certification means that the honey retains the purity and authenticity it had from the moment it was produced by the bees. As a participant in the GenuHoney certification program, each bottle of Valor Honey can be traced back to the individual beekeeper.

"I created GenuHoney to allow consumers the opportunity to purchase and eat pure honey, and

to help beekeepers continue to produce authentic honey. GenuHoney is the only truthful honey certification in the United States, says Mitchell Weinberg, president and chief executive officer of GenuHoney. "Valor Honey and GenuHoney have teamed up to give consumers the comfort of knowing that when they purchase GenuHoney certified Valor Honey, they are not only getting honey as the bees made it but helping

our veterans and our beekeepers to thrive."

When you choose Valor Honey, 100% of your purchase goes to help veterans find their way back to a life worth living. The new e-commerce site, ValorHoney.org, empowers consumers to purchase honey in a variety of sizes, make a donation, or sign up for the Valor Honey program.

To buy honey and save lives, please visit ValorHoney.org.

AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022 - 9:30 AM

2110 Harper, Dg. Fairgrounds, LAWRENCE, KS

* Bldg. 21 - Climate Controlled! *

Ron has collected Models & Toys for over 50 Years and has decided to liquidate his Collections!

MODELS, TOYS, COLLECTIBLES

330+ Unbuilt Model Kits (most released in 1970s, Automobiles 1/8th to 1/48th from 1900s to 1990s mostly 1930s & 1955-65); 1907 Fiat Italia 1/8th Model Kit by Pocher; 1932 Rolls Royce 1/8th Model Kit by Pocher; 1932 Alfa Spider 1/8th Model Kit by Pocher; 1500+ Loose Hot Wheels (some Red Line); Matchbox; Johnny Lightning; Toostie Toy & Many Other Brands!; 20 Die-Cast Banks; 510 First Edition Hot Wheels 1995-2006 still in the blister packs (many Complete!); Matchbox, Johnny Lightning, Hot Wheels etc. still in the blister packs!; 90+ Hallmark Mini-Pedal Cars w/Boxes; Pedal Car Display Case; **Marx Toys:** Jalopy, Honey Moon Express, Taxi; Bandi '68 Red & '66 Gold Cadillacs; Schuco Fex 1111 Red Tin Key Wind-Up; Endah Taxi Friction Wind-Up; Ferris Wheel Key Wind-Up; Kroehler Furniture Truck; Leadworks '50 Blue Buick, '53 Red Cadillac, '56 Red T-Bird; Spiderman Talking Car; Unger Curved Dash Oldsmobile (battery); '48 Ford "Mystery Car" Dealer Ed.; Banthrico '50 Chevy Convertible; Dick Tracy Car; The Shadow Car; 1947 Arcade Farm Tractor w/Driver; 25+ "Cars" Toys (Disney/Pixar Movie); 20 Texaco Banks; '54 Buick w/wire control; '48 Tuck-

er w/wireless remote (New in Blister Pack!); 40+ Star Wars Figurines & 20+ Star Wars Episode 1 Figurines & Collector Pins (Most All in Blister Packs); **Star Trek:** Comics, Figurines, NG Case Figurines, Toy Phasers, ToS VHS Series Ed., Worf photo autographed Michael Dorn, Lt. Tuvok photo autographed Tim Russ, The Doctor photo autographed by Robert Picardo, Deanna Troi autographed Mirina Sirtis, original Enterprise Model; 50+ California Raisins Figurines; 20 PEZ Dispensers; 20+ Snoopy/Peanuts Figurines; 20+ Sesame Street Figurines; Stargate Figurines; **700+ Comic Books:** Gold & Silver Age; 8 "House of Miniatures" Doll House Furniture Kits; M&M Figurines; Gilbert Ring Puzzles; Puzzles & Board Games; Large Lighted & Revolving Display Case; Small Lighted Timex Display Cases; Humphrey Bogart Plaster Statue; Lionel Train Literature; **Baseballs Autographed:** 1978 Minnesota Twins (28 Players), 1978 Baltimore Orioles (34 Players), Lefty Grove ('35-'41 Boston), Len Dawson Baseball, Chuck Tanner ('77-'85 Pirates), Paul Smith ('57-'58 Pirates), Dick Groat ('53-'62 Pirates), Ron Kline (68-'69 Pirates); many items too numerous to mention!

SELLER: RON THORNTON

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Stein submits essay and photo for Clay Center “Mural Movement” contest

Emma Stein, Clay Center, entered the following essay and photo for the “Mural Movement” contest in Clay Center. The theme was “Kansas Life,” and she submitted it to share with *Grass & Grain* readers, as well.

“KANSAS LIFE”

I saw the Kansas Life contest posted on Facebook and immediately started thinking about what I thought Kansas meant to me. When I thought of where I live, what was the very first thing I thought of? And without hesitation, it hit me. Harvest time.

Harvesting crops has been in the blood of Kansas and its settlers for hundreds of years, especially in Clay County. Clay Center is without a doubt

an agriculturally based community. You are sure to run into any local farmer in any establishment here in Clay Center. The most friendly, kind-hearted, humble people here in this town are the farmers and ranchers. It is those long, back-breaking hours that test the patience of so many of them. But no matter how tough it gets, they continue to keep on putting those crops in the ground and feeding those cows. Some people don't see those long hours. Or the loops farmers have to jump through in order to do their livelihoods. And a lot of farmers don't get the love and recognition they should. These are the people FEEDING THE WORLD. They deserve so much respect and consid-

eration.

I grew up on a small family farm just south of Wakefield. We primarily raise cattle, but also have farm ground. I ended up here in Clay Center due to work and meeting my boyfriend. Him and his Uncles all farm just west of Clay Center. Most couples' Friday nights consist of going out to eat, shopping, seeing a movie. But not ours... I think I have put more miles on my car from following him around, field to field, to bring him snacks, tools, operate the grain cart, or to occupy the buddy seat, than any date night to the movies, ever. Once you get a first-hand experience at farming and all the work and dedication it takes, you have a whole

new respect for farmers. You start to give the tractors going down Highway 24 more room, for your and their safety. You also start to watch the weather! Never did I think I would care so much about the dang weather! You also start to notice all

the tractors, combines, trucks in the fields. Just trying to make a living doing what they love, just like your family does. Once you experience it, it is something you don't just walk away from. This is why family farms are multi-generational, it is a

true American lifestyle.

So next time you think about Kansas, think about the beautiful sunsets, the vibrant sunflowers, but mostly, all the hard work farmers do to make the world go round right here in Clay County.



For America’s farmers, crop insurance is first line of defense against climate change

As farmers face increasing challenges due to climate change, the safety net provided by crop insurance is their first line of defense. This was one of the messages delivered recently at a panel discussion on mitigating the risks of climate change during

the U.S. Department of Agriculture's 2022 Agricultural Outlook Forum.

National Crop Insurance Services president Tom Zacharias was among the stakeholders who spoke on the need to provide predictable risk management tools to America's

farmers.

“Their success depends on a healthy environment. One weather disaster can drive a family farm out of business,” Zacharias explained.

America's farmers overwhelmingly turn to crop insurance to manage their

risks. In 2021, crop insurance insured more than 460 million acres, providing \$137 billion dollars in protection. Farmers invested more than \$5 billion of their own money to protect the crops that supply Americans with food and fiber.

“As rural America confronts climate change, it is critical that crop insurance remain just as dynamic as the farmers it protects. To accomplish this, crop insurance needs to be widely available, affordable, financially viable, and adaptable,” Zacharias said.

Crop insurance not only works to protect farmers when disaster strikes, but it also complements efforts to incentivize the voluntary adoption of climate-smart farming practices. Congress, USDA's Risk Management Agency (RMA), and crop insurers have worked together to improve the voluntary adoption of farming practices that increase resili-

ency, improve conservation, and support a healthy environment.

David Zanoni, senior underwriter at RMA, discussed several of the improvements RMA has already made to accommodate new farming practices, including the requirement that farmers adhere to approved conservation plans to protect highly erodible land and wetlands as well as the use of good farming practices, such as cover crops.

Zanoni noted that as agriculture continues to innovate, crop insurance will, too. “It will be a constant evolution of the product line to deal with the challenges of the day,” he said.

Lance Griff, a third-generation farmer from Twin Falls, Idaho, provided a grower perspective, sharing with the audience how he transitioned to utilizing no-till and cover crops in 2013.

“I wanted to leave healthier soil for my kids

if they want to farm,” Griff said. “I also wanted our soil to have more resiliency, to endure weather challenges.”

Crop insurance has earned the trust of farmers like Griff, and it is an important part of their risk management plans.

“Crop insurance is a vital tool we employ to help us plan for the upcoming year and mitigate crop production risks that are inherent to farming. These tools help us to be optimistic and resilient in confronting the challenges that face farmers in the 21st century,” Griff said.

Dr. Julia Borman from Verisk Extreme Event Solutions spoke to the highly unpredictable nature of extreme weather and how probabilistic models can help insurers address the challenge of insufficient historical events. “Unlike events such as fire or theft, which are not highly correlated, weather events such as hurricanes are a low frequency and usually high-cost event, there is a strong correlation, and it's hard to predict the frequency of claims that are going to happen.”

Weather as a driver of crop failure, as well as long-term climate trends, will continue to be a concern for farmers, insurers, and policymakers, Borman said. “One of the major concerns for the insurance industry is balancing that short-term versus long-term perspective,” she said.

Zacharias concluded his remarks by noting that crop insurance must remain affordable, effective, viable, and adaptable to help America's farmers secure a more sustainable future.

“Looking forward, we know agriculture has an important role to play in the mission to protect our environment and advance climate-smart policies. And we know that a strong and resilient supply of food and fiber is critical for our economy and for our citizens,” he said.

AUCTION

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 2022 — 10:00 AM
Auction will be held at the farm located approximately 5 miles North of ROSSVILLE, KS, on Rossville Road to 86th then East approximately 1 mile to NW Carlson Road then North to 8850 NW Carlson Road.

PICKUP
1957 Ford 6 cy. 3-speed pickup not running, motor turns, one owner pickup.

GUNS, HOUSEHOLD, COLLECTIBLES, TOOLS
GUNS: Mossberg 410 model 173; Winchester model 1897 (547558); Remington Arms (50215); Winchester 22 s, l, lr model 61 (232407) Chatham Arms Belgium twist double barrel; wall hanger 410; ammo.

French Provincial 3 pc. bedroom set; waterfall 3 pc. bedroom set; Kenmore electric stove; GE refrigerator; Amana washer; Kenmore dryer; microwave; TV w/VCR; DVD player; La-Z-Boy recliner like new; couch like new; 2 wing back chairs; china hutch; lighted glass corner cabinet; 3 drawer antique chest; file cabinet; full bed; antique folding rocker; corner stand; kitchen table; barrel back chair; trunk; window air conditioner; **TOYS:**

(Tonka truck; John Deere implements; 1930s tin Coke truck; Oliver 70 tractors; F20; Czech Republic tractor; Fisher Price barn); wagon; Christmas: dishes; Czech ornaments; carousel; snow globes; snowman decorations; Case IH lights; Pipka's; Coke ornaments; fiber optic Santa train; porcelain Santas; Nativity; animated Santa; Christmas tree; outdoor decorations; many other Christmas items; Czech glass; vases; carnival glass; Fenton bird; Fostoria; Pyrex; teapots; dishes; silverware; Fiesta pitcher; milkglass; amber glass; mixing bowls; baking dishes; strawberry dishes; Coke (patio umbrella; cooler; dishes; airplane; truck; memorabilia; glasses; coin glass; canister set; corner stand; bottles; wood cases; crock jug lamp); miniature iron stove; pink poodles; wall décor; tins; Thanksgiving décor; watches;

pencils; Gove, KS elevator rain gauges; 1960s Collegiate by Holton saxophone; scentsy pot; fireplace tools; Mikasa dishes; crockpot; coffee pots; coolers; cookie sheets; Tupperware; new set pots & pans; cookware; 2012 Ariens riding lawn mower 20 hp hydrostatic/automatic used less than 10 times; Yard Machine 500 series push mower; weed eater; Craftsman tool set; yard water pump; double wash tub; sled; coal buckets; lawn chairs; outdoor tables; patio table; step ladder; extension ladder; wheelbarrow; tarps; yard tools; forks; shovels; battery charger; air bubble; gas cans; tool boxes; oil cans; T-posts; hand saws; electric chain saw; tractor cranks; fishing poles & tackle; 55 gal. barrels; sockets; antique dump rake; 2 metal wagon wheels; yard art; assortment of other items. 8'x12' shed on skids to be moved.

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PICKUP: 2007 Chev 2500 Z71 New Style 4-dr Duramax dsl BOB CAT UTV, TRACTORS, MACHINERY, GENERATOR, LAWN/GARDEN, GOOSENECK BOX TRAILER, HORSE DRAWN ITEMS, COLLECTIBLES, QUAIL FEEDERS, BIRD BOXES, FENCING * MISC. (was Windmill Quail Farm)
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CAR & PICKUP
2013 Chev. Silverado 1500 4x4 Ext. Cab, Short Bed, 87,106 mi, Runs Good; Chev. Silverado PU Bed w/Tailgate, Red; 2011 Buick Lucerne CXL 105,928 mi, Runs Good.

TRACTORS & COMBINE
IH 686 Gas, Dual Hyd, 3 pt, 15.5x38 Rubber, 4822 hrs Showing, Runs; IH 450 Farmall, Gas, Wheel Weights, 2 pt Hitch, Not Running, For Parts; IH Farmall M, NF, Not Running, For Parts; IH H, 12.4x38 Rubber, Not Running, For Parts; IH H, Not Running, For Parts; Farmall H, Not Running, For Parts; Belly Sickle Bar Mower for H; Farmall Super M, Not Running; A/C Pull Type All Crop 60, Complete.

HAY & LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT
NH 499 12' Swather, Hydra Swing Sn#497952; NH 660 Big Round Baler, Net & Twine, Kick-er Wheels, Monitor; (2) NH 855 Big Round Balers, Twine, Auto Wrap; NH 275 Square Baler, Twine; Sitrex 10 Wheel Rake, High Capacity; 5-Bale GN Bale Wagon; NH 770 Silage Chopper w/2-Row Wide Header; Pick-up Attachment, 2 Row Narrow Header; 6' Direct Cut Header; NH 718 Silage Chopper; NH 2-Row Narrow Header; NH 2-Row Wide Header; Krimper Kracker Roller Mill, 2 Wheel, 540 PTO; NH 27 Silage Blower; Silage Wagon, 13' Rear Chain Un-Load, 540 PTO, on JD Gear; NH 516 Manure Spreader 205 Bu, 540 PTO; 2-Prong Skid Steer Bale Spear, Like New; 3 pt Bale Carrier; WW Calf Cradle; several Apache Portable Creep Feeders, Some Rusty; NH 351 Grinder Mixer, 540 PTO, w>Loading Auger; NH 352 Grinder Mixer, 540 PTO, w>Loading Auger; Misc Hay Bale Ring Feeders.

MACHINERY
IH Flail Chopper 12.5' Pull Type w/Cylinder, 540 PTO; New Idea Pull Type 1-Row Corn Picker; Haulmore 14'x7' Box Wagon, Midwest Hoist, JD 4-Wheel Gear, Good Floor; Old Front Mount IH Cultivator; Letz Burr Mill; Land Pride 7' 3 pt Blade w/Hyd Cylinder, RBT3584, Like New; Old 3 pt Blade; Land Pride 10' Rotary Mower; 3 pt, 540 PTO, Like New; Rhino 15' Batwing Mower, Flex Magnum; (2) PU Stock Racks; JD 13' Tandem Disk w/Cylinder; Several Harrow Sections; Glen-coe Chisel; 9-Shank Chisel; 2 pt 2-Prong Bale Spear; Bale Spear w/Westendorf Mounts; (2) 3-pt Carriers, Need Floors; Oliver 566 Plow 5x16 w/Coulters & Trip Bottoms; Oliver 565 Plow 4x16 For Parts; (2) Danhuser 3 pt Post Hole Augers; Danhuser Post Driver, 3 pt, Hyd; 3 pt Tree Shear; Old Double Drill Hitch; Old 3-pt Sprayer; Clark 2-Wheel Sprayer, Older; 10' Easy Flow; Speed Spread Small Fertilizer Spreader; Mist Blower; Gravity Wagon on NH 4-Wheel Gear; (2) Hieder Auger Wagons; McCurdy Gravity Wagon; Bigbin 12'x6' 4-Wheel Wagon Box w/Hoist; JD 7000 Planter 4-Row Wide w/Cylinder, Insecticide Box; JD 8300 Grain Drill 7'x18 Hole, Single Disk, Drag Chains & Cylinder; Upright Bulk Bin 7' Dia, 3 Ring; 10' 4' Auger w/Motor; 20' 4' Auger w/Motor.

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Kansas Soybean captures agriculture’s beauty in new video

Agriculture in Kansas is beautiful. Vibrant sunsets set the backdrop over fields of green and gold through summer and fall months. Kansas Soybean sought to capture that beauty and showcase all that soybeans have to offer through a new video.

The video release coincides with the start of National Agriculture Month, which occurs annually in March. The month-long recognition is dedicated to farmers and their contributions in producing commodities grown across

the U.S. Several organizations have planned activities in honor of Ag Month with many falling on National Ag Day March 22.

The video walks through a soybean’s growth stages from seedling to maturity to provide viewers with an understanding of how beans are grown and treated for success. Viewers get a glimpse of the usefulness of soybeans from rubber and paint to fuel, and even in food and feed uses by humans and animals alike. Soybeans are

showcased as “the most important bean in the world’s economy.”

Watch the video to see how soy fits into everyday life: <https://youtu.be/j7vhWAlcTKo>.

Kansas Soybean partnered with Mammoth Creative Co. based out of Meriden to tell the story. All on-farm footage features farms in Kansas, comprising Heinco, Inc. in Brown County, Rezac Land & Livestock in Potawatomi County and Phelon Farms in Osage County.

Soil temperature critical to avoid cold injury to corn

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

The 10:00 a.m. two-inch soil temperature at the Corning, Kansas Mesonet Station on March 5th was 50 degrees – warm enough to plant corn, right? Twenty-four hours later – it was 39 degrees. April will be more stable, at least to a degree, but even it will have its swings, and those swings can often cause concern for corn growers.

Cold injury to corn can come in multiple forms. If temperatures are hanging around the 50-degree mark for multiple days after planting, germination will be delayed and

emergence of young seedlings slowed. If there was the potential for plenty of plants out there to begin with (high populations) and emergence is still fairly uniform (by date and within the row), we’ll likely go on like nothing ever happened. If not, losses due to uneven stands may occur.

Another form of injury is what’s known as imbibitional chilling. This occurs during the seed’s initial uptake of water (first 24-48 hours) after planting. Moist soils cause the seed to rehydrate and germination to begin. As rehydration occurs, internal cell membrane structure is damaged. If the seed/soils are

warm, the membrane damage is quickly repaired by natural seed process and nothing is ever noticed. Cold seed, however, has less elastic membranes. Reduced elasticity equals increased membrane injury. In combination with slowed – or even stopped – damage repair mechanisms, cell contents begin to leak and death of the seed can occur.

Predicting damage is inexact at best. Most literature would suggest soil temperatures below 50 degrees F are the key. A second factor is the timing of the cold soils in relation to the water uptake phase, with injury likely to occur during the first 24

to 48 hours, even though we’re not sure whether it only takes a few hours of exposure to critical temperatures or if lengthier exposure windows are required.

With any luck, temperatures will increase and continue to gradually do so, allowing even the earliest planted corn to pop out of the ground without injury. If we get a mid-April like last year, however, consider the possibility for chilling injury and plan accordingly. One resource to bookmark for future reference is the Kansas Mesonet soil temperature page: <https://mesonet.k-state.edu/agriculture/soiltemp/>. Current

ward trend is conducive to planting - or if a little wait is in order.

RCLA spring meeting to be held March 31

Dr. Bob Larson, DVM will be the featured speaker at the Riley County Livestock Association spring meeting on Thursday, March 31 at the Fairview Church Fellowship Hall, near Riley. Larson is the Executive Director of Veterinary Medical Continuing Education in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Kansas State University. His presentation will focus on the topic, “Keeping Calves Healthy.”

The Fairview Church is located two miles north of Riley on U.S. Highway 24, across from Riley County High School. The meeting will start at 6:30 p.m., with dinner catered by The Farmhouse in Riley.

There is an \$5 charge for dinner and reservations are needed by March 28. Reservations can be made online at www.riley.ksu.edu or by calling the Riley County Extension Office at 785-537-6350.

Kansas 4-H member eyes role as advocate for agriculture

By Pat Melgares, K-State Research and Extension news service

It may sound too simple, but there’s a big reason why everyone should take an interest in American agriculture: food.

The fact is that if you eat, then agriculture has an impact on your everyday life.

Annika Wiebers, a freshman at Kansas State University, plans to spread that message wide and far. Wiebers recently was selected by the National 4-H Council as Kansas’ sole student representative – and one of just ten across the United States – to become an advocate for agri-

culture, in recognition of National Ag Day March 22.

“It was an honor to even be nominated for this opportunity because there were only two nominees per state,” Wiebers said. “Then, to be one of ten selected in the nation is really amazing.”

National Ag Day is an effort to remind Americans – especially children – how their food is grown, and what farmers do to make that food safe and wholesome.

“As we become increasingly consumer-driven and have fewer and fewer people on the farm, the opportunity to educate consumers on where their food comes from becomes increasingly necessary,” said Kelsey Nordyke, a Kansas 4-H ag sciences specialist.

In addition to training, Wiebers will be talking to farmers and meeting with

Kansas’ Senate delegation in Washington D.C.

Wiebers, who studies agricultural communications at K-State, said one of her career goals is to “promote agricultural literacy in populations that are further removed from commercial farming.”

National Ag Day is sponsored annually by the Agriculture Council of America (located in Overland Park) to celebrate the abundance provided by America’s farmers. The Council promotes the thought that all K-12 students should receive regular education about agriculture.

In addition, families can help encourage children to learn more with such simple activities as:

Shopping at a local Farmers’ Market and cooking the purchases together.

Planting a kitchen garden together; tomatoes

grow well in a container.

Visiting a local farm so that children can see firsthand where eggs, milk, chicken and other foods come from.

More information about agricultural literacy is available online from the Agriculture Council of America. More information about activities available through Kansas 4-H also is available online or from local Extension offices in Kansas.



Power of Meat: U.S. industry has more room to grow

Despite a global pandemic, supply chain and labor challenges and rampant inflation, the nation’s meat industry is positioned to add to the demand and consumer consumption growth of the last two years, according to the 2022 *Power of Meat* report.

Conducted by 210 Analytics LLC on behalf of The Food Industry Association and the Meat Institute’s Foundation for Meat and Poultry Research and Education, the annual report found that nearly all U.S. households (98.5 percent) purchase meat, although meat department visits declined slightly compared with the previous year while spending increased slightly on a per-trip basis.

The report also notes a variety of approaches that can help educate consumers and generate sales:

Consumers want to see attributes about the meat products they buy, such as “organic,” “farm-raised” or “grass-fed,” when deciding what to purchase at the store.

The meat counter experience counts with many consumers looking for guidance on the types of cuts they need or how to prepare specific meat-centered meals.

Value-added meat products represent an opportunity for more meat sales, even among consumers who have stayed away from these products in recent years.

Buying meat online has the potential to increase in frequency, especially if products can be displayed as they are packaged in the store during the online shopping experience.

Retailers should encourage trying new types of meat products through in-store and digital displays and online channels.

BOB DAY CATTLE CO. ESTATE AUCTION
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Just south of Heartland Park Raceway (75 Hwy/Topeka Blvd go east on 85th ST 1/2 mi. - North side of road. Watch for Hoffman Auction Signs)
HANDICAP MINI VAN
*2005 Dodge Caravan 67,834 mi., handicap equipped wheel-chair lift & wheelchair ez lock (non handicap & wheelchair handicap drivers can drive the van) - low miles.
TRUCKS
*2012 Ford F-350 6.7 auto ext. cab 4x4 flatbed 197,000 mi.; *2002 F-350 7.3 power stroke standard trans. flatbed 200,000+ mi.; *2004 International 4300 DT466 Cat powered, 19,821 mi., 537.6 hrs. w/Harsh H325 mixer bed Digi Star scales system like new - this is a super nice feed truck; *1996 GMC Top Kick 65,474 mi.; 16' Haul-mor steel bed & hoist with rollover tarp.
TRAILER
*2021 Wilson aluminum punch side 34' triple axle 3 compartments stock trailer, like new.
TRACTORS
*New Holland 8670 FWA cab, heat, air, 2450 hr w/Westendorf XTA 700 loader; *New Holland TD110 FWA, 810 hr open station w/Westendorf TA26 loader (missing paint on tractor); *bale spike for above loaders; *Case 2290, cab, heat, air, 3645 hr.
FEEDING & FARM EQUIP.
*Haybuster H1000 rotary tub grinder long standard discharge; *New Holland 195 manure spreader, same as new; *John Deere 3950 pull type silage chopper, 2 row head & pickup head w/ control box; *2 JD 716 silage chuck wagons w/tops, very good; *3 Gehl Hi Throw silo silage blowers; Rhino TW84 7' pull type brush cutter; *Rhino 900 3pt HD blade; *Krause 1071 11-shank pull type chisel; *Krause 1901 20' disk, good; Giant 7' chisel, pull type; older Westheffer pull type boom sprayer; other older equipment, cultivator harrows, 3pt rotary hoe; 2 JD 4-wheel running gears.
LIVESTOCK HANDLING & FEEDING EQUIPMENT
Pearson 14' straight alley w/ gate & no back; Pearson 1/2 tub; heavy duty panels made for working facility, to be moved; 5 sq. hay saver bale feeders; 4
round bale rings; 30 concrete J-bunks to be moved by buyer; 15 concrete U-bunks to be moved by buyer; 3000 gal poly liquid supplement tank & pump - new 2 years ago - to be moved; Roskamp model K working stationary elec. roller mill w/motor, to be moved; several small augers some w/elec. motor; several 6" augers w/elec. motors various lengths; hedge post (old); various gates & panels; large Poly stock tanks; 50 sticks of well stem pipe, never hung for fence; cattle panels; I-beam, steel grating, galvanized grating.
ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM PROPERTY
40x60 EHS wood steel covered building to be removed from property w/10.5 side walls bolted to 5' concrete walls (this building was used for covering cattle working facility); 5 Johnson double sided working concrete waters w/heaters to be moved; 1 Johnson single concrete water to be removed; 2 Mira Fount 4-hole waters to be removed; 10000+ ft of 5 rail pipe fence to be removed (bolted to hedge post); (2) 4000 bu grain bins to be removed (7 rings high 15 across); 8x16 portable livestock shelter to be moved.
SHOP TOOLS & MISC.
Elec. welder; torch set w/cart & bottles; large upright elec. air compressor; bench grinder on pedestal; large stacking tool box; lots of hand tools; C-clamps & more farm & shop items; 2 saddles; diesel tank w/110 elec. pump; 1000 gal propane tank to be moved.
HOUSEHOLD (will sell following all other equipment)
SS Whirlpool refrigerator freezer, water & ice in door; Whirlpool washer & elec dryer, nice; Oak roll top desk; wooden china hutch; 2 wooden tables & 4 chairs; 4 wooden bar stools; pool table; Grandfather clock; glass display cabinet; elec. fireplace; 2 bedroom sets, blonde & dark wood; Cowboy statue, concrete Hereford bull; Antiques: Hump back trunk.
Building, fencing, grain bins, waters must be completely removed by MAY 29. No exception!!!!
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Online Only Auction (open Now; begins closing 2 PM, March 29) — 460+ Lots including lots of antiques, collectibles, jewelry, cast toys, primitives, glassware, furniture, glassware & pottery, Coca-Cola barrel dispenser & more (items located at Cottonwood Falls) held online at www.griffinrealestateauction.com. Auctioneers: Griffin Real Estate & Auction.

Online Only Property Auction (ends Tuesday, April 12, 6 PM) — Commercial building property & greenhouses (located at Blue Rapids) consisting of T1: 0.36 ac. office/retail space; T2: 1.52 ac. zoned agricultural use, metal building on wood frame; T3: 0.93 ac. zoned agricultural use; T4: 3 parcels, 2.81 ac. total; T5-T17: Greenhouses. Held online at www.MidwestLandandHome.com for JB Greenhouse, Inc., seller. Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home, Jessica Leis, agent; Mark Uhlik, broker/auctioneer.

March 28 — Pawnee County Land Auction consisting of 2,880 acres m/l sold in 14 Tracts including cropland, pasture, 10-acre m/l farmstead with 2 homes, a Morton shed, utility sheds & barn held at Larned for Seymour Ranch Heirs. Auctioneers: Carr Auction & Real Estate, Inc.

March 28 — Farm Machinery with no small items held near Abilene for Charles Wilson Trust. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

March 29 — Land Auction selling 103 acres m/l of Ottawa County land consisting of 93.59 ac. m/l crop land with balance in timber and creek held LIVE at Minneapolis and ONLINE at apwrealtors.hibid.com. Auctioneers: Coldwell Banker APW Realtors, Chris Rost & Mark Baxa.

March 29 — Over 298 items including injection test machine, universal test bench, pump testing bench, steel blaster, 1961 International truck, tool boxes & tools & more held at Topeka for Injection & Turbo, Inc., Steve & Lu Heard retirement.

Auctioneers: Big Iron Auctions (www.bigiron.com)

March 29 — Inaugural Production Sale for Zerr Red Angus selling 20+ bulls, a select choice of registered open heifers & 10 open commercial females held at Oakley.

March 30 — Absolute land auction simulcast Live & Online consisting of 157.5 acres m/l of Harvey County land with productive dry cropland, good access & more held at Burrton. Online simulcast bidding starts March 23 at 8 am; bidding ends March 30 at close of live event (www.FNCBid.com). Auctioneers: Farmers National Company, Van Schmidt, agent/auctioneer.

April 2 — 2016 Jeep Patriot Sport 4WD 6 speed, garden & shop tools including rotor tiller, snow blower & more, household goods: furniture, freezer, jewelry cabinet, antiques & collectibles books, ammo boxes, marbles, advertising items, glassware, large collection of auto manuals and repair books held at Beloit. Auctioneers: Gerald Zimmer Auction & Real Estate.

April 2 — Tractors including 1961 JD 4010, 1952 TO-30 Ferguson, farm machinery, woodworking equipment & Tonka toys, JD tractors & toys & more held at Goessel. Auctioneers: Van Schmidt Auction.

April 2 & 3 — Selling 4-2: Shop equipment & tools including welders, jacks, tool cabinet, welding supplies, power & hand tools, generator, pellet stove, Vehicles including 1953 Chevrolet Belair restored, 1969 Chevrolet Camaro project car, 1970 Bradley GT kit car, 1970 Volkswagen trike, Allis Chalmers WD 45 tractor, Cub Cadet w/hyd. lift, LG Cub Cadet snow blower; selling 4-3: Collectibles including Hull, Native American art & collectibles, cast iron, glassware & more, furniture, yard & garage items held at Tecumseh for Richard & Sue Cody. Auctioneers: D&M Auctions, Deone Hill.

April 2 — 1928 Model A Roadster antique car, collectible car & license tag collection, antique furniture, household furniture, antiques & collectibles including Mopar remote control semi & car, nice vintage farm toys, old traps, advertising items, glassware, shop items, guns & ammo, sporting items & more held near Scott City for Carol Rose & the Late Lewie Rose. Auctioneers: Berning Auction, Inc.

April 2 — 2007 Chevy 2500 Z71 pickup (nice), Bob Cat UTV, tractors, machinery, generator, lawn & garden, gooseneck box trailer, horse-drawn items, collectibles, quail feeders,

bird boxes, fencing & misc. (was Windmill Quail Farm) held at Crab Orchard, Nebraska for Norm & Karen Mortensen. Auctioneers: Jurgens, Heinrichs, Hardin & Sommerhalder.

April 2 — Collector cars including '27 Chevy 2-r Landau, '30 Chevy 2-dr coupe, '51 Chevy 1/2T, '73 Plymouth Roadrunner, '71 Pontiac Firebird, trailers, boat, Hesston belt buckles, artwork & more held at Newton for Don Schmidt & Don Burgess Estate. Auctioneers: Auction Specialists, LLC.

April 2 — Land Auction consisting of 120.02 acres m/l of Nemaha County Land of which 65.43 are tillable acres, 26.51 brome grass, balance creek & draws held at Seneca for Donald & Shirley Schurman Trust. Auctioneers: Seneca Realty, Mike Kuckelman, broker, Dale Wilhelm, auctioneer/sales.

April 2 — Consignment auction consisting of cars, trucks, boats, tractors, farm & construction equipment, motor homes, tools, campers, trailers, semi tractors, motorcycles, ATVs, forklifts & more held at Salina. Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

April 2 — Case 1070 & JD 720 tractors, farm equipment, dump truck, trailer, construction equipment, tools, materials & misc. surplus items held at Clay Center for Oetinger-Lloyd Construction. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

April 2 — 1998 Minnie Winnebago camper, Bad Boy 60" zero turn mower, YanMar 240 diesel tractor, trailers, generators, shop items, furniture, collectibles, mobility chair lift elevator, glassware & more held at Salina for Dave & Dee Eberhart. Auctioneers: Baxa Auctions.

April 2 — Large Retirement farm auction selling truck, tractor & equipment, farm & ranch supplies, shop tools & misc., farm primitives & collectibles held at Kingman for Leonard Probst, Probst Farms. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

April 3 — Consignment auction consisting of vehicles, machinery, tools, hay & lawn equipment, antiques, household & miscellaneous held at Belleville for Belleville High Banks Hall of Fame & Museum. Auctioneers: Novak Bros. & Gieber.

April 3 — Cocks, antiques & collectibles including Red Wing, birchleaf, water coolers, antique furniture, straight razor collection, advertising, 1000+ stereo view cards, vintage toys including tractors, 1958 Contractors Prototype water tower model built to scale of Hutchinson held at Salina.

na. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 7 — Tractors including Hesston 80-66 w/loader, Hesston 680, Massey combine & more farm machinery, pickups, cattle equipment, antiques & household held north of Clifton for Leonard Beikmann Estate. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 9 — Appliances, furniture, household, yard, tools & miscellaneous, zero turn mower, chainsaw, tool chest & more held at Canton for Orville & Juanita Koehn. Also selling Guns including Remington, Savage, Westernfield, Ruger, Browning, Japanese & Russian military, Marlin, Winchester & more. Auctioneers: William Crane.

April 9 — Handicap Mini van, trucks: 2012 Ford F-350, 2003 F-350, 2004 International 4300, 1996 GMC Top Kick, 2021 Wilson aluminum trailer, tractors, feeding & farm equipment, livestock handling & feeding equipment, 40x60 EHS wood steel covered building and other items to be removed, shop tools & miscellaneous, household & more held near Wakarusa (with some items offered online at Equipmentfacts.com) for Bob Day Cattle Co. Estate. Auctioneers: Hoffman Auction Service.

April 9 — Estate auction selling 2013 Chevy Silverado 1500 pickup, 2011 Buick Lucerne car, tractors & combine, hay & livestock equipment, farm machinery & more held at McLouth for Wilbur Wagner Trust. Auctioneers: Harris Real Estate & Auction, LLC, Dan Harris & Cody Askren.

April 9 — 1957 Ford 3 speed pickup, guns, household, furniture, appliances, collectibles, toys, holiday decor, glassware, tools & more held North of Rossville for Arlis Stach. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 9 — Personal property auction held at Marysville for Joe Jenkins Estate. Auctioneers: Olmsted & Sandstrom.

April 9 — Antiques & collectibles including nice Oak, Walnut, Mahogany & other furniture, quilts, graniteware, glassware, Norman Rockwell collectibles, artwork, household & furniture, upholstery machines, fabric, tools, coins & much more held at Ellsworth for Mary Garrett Estate. Auctioneers: Meitler Auction Service.

April 9 — Real Estate & personal property auction consisting of approximately 30 acres with 3800 sq. ft. home, arena building, workshop, sheds, horse stall barn & concrete bunks. Also selling ArrowQuip Q-Catch chute, ArrowQuip adjustable load out chute, scrap pipe & other farm and ranch items held at Alma. Auctioneers: Crossroads Real

Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 9 — K-14 Consignment Auction consisting of large 5-ring auction with everything from vehicles to antiques & collectibles held at Hutchinson. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

April 9 — (postponed from January): 350+ un-built Model kits, 1500+ loose Hot Wheels, die cast banks, 90+ Hallmark mini-pedal cars, Marx toys, Star Trek & other toys, 700+ comic books, autographed baseballs & many more collectibles held at Lawrence for Ron Thornton. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

April 9 — 2021 Chevy 1/2T, New, 6500 mi.; 2013 Chevy 3/4T, Like New; 2014 JD 830 center pivot rotary disc mower conditioner, like new; JD 6300 FA tractor w/cab & loader, many tools & farm-related items held south of Holland for the William H. (Billy) Hobson Estate. Auctioneers: Reynolds Auction Service.

April 9 — Fink Beef Genetics Angus & Charolais Bull Sale held at Randolph. Contact Galen Fink for more info at 785-532-9936.

April 10 — Estate Gun auction consisting of 146 lots of guns, also ammo & accessories held live at Salina & online (www.soldby-wilson.com). Auctioneers: Wilson Realty & Auction Service.

April 16 — Surplus auction consisting of 2009 Chevy Tahoe, 2014 Dodge Charger, office chairs, filing cabinets & misc. office equipment, ice machines, trailer, grader, tractor, truck & backhoe tires, used culvert pipes, large dumpsters, lumber & plywood, 3 pt. equipment, misc. tools, welding equipment & lots of misc. held at Burlington for Coffey County Government. Auctioneers: Kurtz Auction & Realty Service.

April 16 — Estate auction consisting of vehicle, shop tools, household & collectibles held at Hutchinson. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

April 22 & 23 — Colorado Draft Horse & equipment auction consisting of horses, mules, carriages, harnesses & saddles held at Brighton, Colorado. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

April 23 — Machinery auction consisting of Sprayer, combine, tractors, swather, excavator & skid loader, semi tractor & trailers, trucks & trailers, machinery, hay & cattle equipment held West of Smith Center for Anchor A Farm, Inc. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 23 — 2012 Ford Escape Limited Ed., Coachman Royal 285RKS 5th wheel camper, Bad Boy zero-turn mower, collectibles, furniture, tools & miscellaneous held at rural Leecompton for Mrs. Peggy J. Miller (Norman "Pod" Miller. Auctioneers:

Elston Auctions.

April 24 — Selling 34 lots of guns including Winchester rifles, Iver Johnson, Colt revolvers, Smith & Wesson & more; assort of ammo & gun parts, Indian artifacts & collectibles held at Salina. Auctioneers: Thummel Real Estate & Auction, LLC.

April 28 — 96.7 Acres m/l of Marshall County land consisting of T1: 73 ac. m/l with farmland, homesite & cropland; T2: 12.7 ac. m/l of farmland & cropland; T3: 11 ac. m/l farmland and cropland held at Frankfort for Fischer Dairy (online bidding available at www.MidwestLandandHome.com). Auctioneers: Midwest Land & Home.

April 30 — Lots of tools, welders, shop equipment, motorcycle & motorcycle equipment, zero turn mower, collectibles, household & miscellaneous held at Lebo for Mrs. Carol Dodds. Auctioneers: Kurtz Auction & Realty Service.

April 30 — Farm sale held Southwest of Wakefield for Ted and Connie Luthi. Auctioneers: Kretz Auction Service.

April 30 — Farm tractors & toys, huge selection farm magazines, ledgers, operations manuals, calendars, cloth seed sacks, metal signs, vintage tools, primitives, 100+/- vintage wall ad mirrors w/thermometers from all over Kansas held at Osage City Fairgrounds. Auctioneers: Wischropp Auctions.

April 30 — Retirement farm auction consisting of tractors, trucks, trailers, farm & livestock equipment, shop tools, household & collectibles held at Buhler. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

May 6 & 7 — 4-State Draft Horse & Mule sale consisting of mules, equipment, box wagons, carriages, saddles & tack held at Miami, Oklahoma. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

May 14 — Farm Estate Auction (watch for details soon) held at rural Baldwin City for Warren & Elsie Shuck Estate. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

May 21 — Estate Auction (watch for details soon) held at rural Lawrence. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

May 28 — Large farm auction consisting of vehicles, tractors, farm equipment, shop tools, guns, farm primitives, antiques & collectibles held at Hutchinson for Kroeker Estate. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

June 2 — Estate auction consisting of household & collectibles held at Hutchinson for Burk Estate. Auctioneers: Morris Yoder Auctions.

June 25 — Very large Farm Estate Auction including tractors, trailers, equipment, UTV, hay equipment, tools held at rural Shawnee. Auctioneers: Elston Auctions.

AUCTION

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, 2022 — 10:00 AM

Auction will be held in Kenwood Hall at the Saline Co. Expo, 900 Greeley, SALINA, KS

CROCKS, ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

CROCKS: Red Wing 5 inside stamp, 8 & 10 gal water coolers; (crock: 3, 4, 12, 15, 30); 2-30 gal birchleaf; 20 gal birchleaf; Red Wing churns 3 gal ski oval, 4 & 5 birchleaf churns; 6 gal churn; 3 gal RW churn reverse stamp; 5 gal salt glaze churn; 6 gal blue & white water cooler; 6 gal elephant ear; 15 gal birchleaf double stamp; 3 & 5 gal RW jugs; 2 gal Buckeye; 2 lb jar; 10 crock bowls; churn lids; advertising mini jugs (As You Like It, O.L. Gregory, Henry Bosquet's, Wallace & Gregory Bros, Elko County, Excelsior Springs Mo. 1903, Old Continental, Helmet Rye Cincinnati Oh, Hirsch Bros & Co. Louisville Ky., complements of Pittsburgh Pottery Co.); Oak baker's cabinet; oak 3 stack bookcase; 6 Old Man North arm chairs from Kingman Co. court house; Victorian walnut mirror; cast iron wedding ring bed; 5 leg round oak table; Fargo stage stop safe; oak music cabinet; oak writing desk; oval oak library table;

child's oak roll top desk; store glass pie case; Heath Milligan paint sample display cabinet; Toms peanut jar; Camel match server; Ace tap & dye oak display; Dwinell Wright coffee display; Munyon's Remedies display; Gillette tire & batteries display; Crescent Tool display; Toledo 3 lb. candy scale; Hamilton Beach brass malt mixer; Harmon & Son ice cream adv; case of Nesbitt's hot chocolate mugs; double Coke bottle thermom-eter; Blooming Good Drink, Cherry Blossoms, Nesbitts advertising; salesman sample Wagner griddle; straight razor collection; 9 advertising Tip Trays; 9 advertising pocket mirrors; Independent Stove Co. elephant; brass calendar; 9 peanut butter tins; 12 advertising spice tins; ladies mesh purses; vintage clothes; wave crest dresser boxes, Banner mark; Falk oil painting on canvas; early sea painting on canvas; large early painting; large wall clock; 6' cello; Daisy double barrel gun; wood advertising boxes; oak telephone; 2 cow weath-

er vases; 2 ship door stops; stain glass windows; Eclipse windmill weight; Winchester flash light & cutlery meat set; celluloid dresser boxes; pharmacy weight sets; oak carnival barrel game; globe; wagon wheel measure; post card albums; 1000+ stereo viewer cards; Lewis, Ks adv picture; Boot Jack tobacco box; Rolls-Royce razor; Indian pot; Folk Art box; Folk Art soldier; wood ice cream freezer; Lifetime Old West books; cast iron owl door stop; 2 well pumps; Hawthorn Trail Blazer bike; 20 cast iron skillets; match book collection; **TOYS:** Ford tractor in original box; wagon & hay rake in original boxes; 20 tractors; combines; spreaders; Marx grader; Ford 4000; Tru Scale baler; toys: train, JD tractors, Oliver tractor, windup car, Arcade, Hubley; Woodette other toys; Comet wagon; assortment early paper; **assortment of other good collectibles.**

1958 Contractors Prototype water tower model built to scale of Hutchinson, Ks.

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AUCTION

THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 2022 — 10:30 AM

Auction will be held at the farm located 6 miles North of CLIFTON, KS to 6th Road then 1 ½ miles East.

TRACTORS, PICKUPS, MACHINERY

Hesston 80-66 diesel tractor front wheel assist w/Hesston L330 loader w/grapple 5933 hrs.; Hesston 680 diesel tractor, 3 pt. hyd.; Massey 410 gas combine w/13' header; parts tractors; MM model RE ZTU (78999) serial number; MM model Z (00605241) serial number; 2 row cultivator for MM; **Pickups:** 2004 Nissan Frontier ext. cab pickup, 4 cy, stick shift, electric windows (ran last July when A frame broke); 1995 GMC SL doesn't run; 1950 IHC L110 pickup; (2) 4 wheel gravity box trailers; **Machinery:** Massey Ferguson 10 square twine baler; JD 1209 pull swather; Oliver 285 field cultivator 20'; Krause 409 tandem disc 12'; Gehl 95 Mix All mixer; Gehl feed wagon; Hesston 5580 Rounder round baler; Massey side delivery rake; JD 220 flex header 20' on trailer; Win Power PTO generator model 25-15D on 2 wheels; 2 Kelly Ryan manure spreaders; JD 450 pull type 7' sickle mower; BMB 3 pt. 5'

shredder; JD 810 3 pt. 3-16 plow; Krause 8' pull type disc; Case 2 bottom pull plow; Allis 3 pt. plow; Ford 14-306 cutter (1423 serial number); JD 1240 4 row planter; JD 2 row planter w/fertilizer; 4 wheel trailer chassis; MM 16-8 drill; 2 wheel sprayer; 6" 30" grain auger; bale elevator; flat harrow; 3 pt. 4 row cultivator; metal box manure spreader needs floor; iron wheel drill; 4-4" augers; Dixon Ram ZTR mower 44"; Lawn Smart riding mower runs; 300 & 500 gal fuel tanks; A frame w/chain hoist; **cattle equipment:** 5x16" stock trailer; 4-wheel big bale trailer; wood-2 wheel loading chute; 3pt. bale fork; 7 round bale feeders; 2 16' feed bunks; Fairbury windmill head; power washer; dog pen; wire; snow fence; chicken feeders; Hustler mini bike; 4 iron wheels; dirt slip; other older machinery.

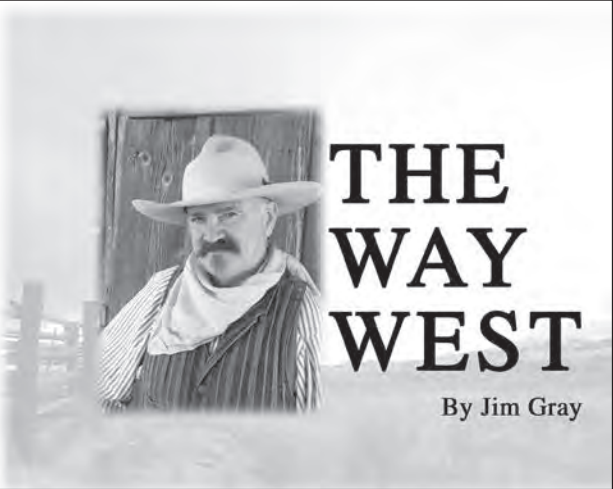
ANTIQUES & HOUSEHOLD 2021 flat screen 32" TV; Crosley auto washer like new; Crosley electric dryer; window air conditioner; newer oval oak table w/6 chairs; 20s table & chairs & buffet; 3 pc. 20s bedroom set; Silvertone upright phonograph; dresser w/mirror; marble insert dresser; treadle sewing machine; oak ward-

robe; 60s chest; round oak table & 6 chairs; metal locker; wood storage box; parlor table; dropleaf table; flat top trunk; metal bed; **Crocks inc:** (RW 2,3,6 gal, elephant ear 3 gal; 3 gal jug); Army uniform; Cast toy tractor; other 70s toys; coaster wagon; Plymouth model car; model airplane; 30s tin truck; maps; Christmas; kraut cutter; Purple Power bottle; Jewell T coffee pot; other glass; wooden boxes; wood pop cases; ice cream freezer; viewer w/cards; Aladdin lamp; kerosene lamps; Woodstock typewriter; wall & kitchen clocks; Pyrex bowls; assortment pictures; toy Hesston & IH tractor; glass jug w/wicker cover; assortment glass; glass basket; bull banks; Big Chief pop bottles; cowboy pcs; cast iron deer bank; glass rolling pin; steins; Daisy BB gun; wall hanger shotgun; Fairbury well pump; walking plow; metal corn sheller; wood butter churn; cream separator; high chair & cradle; porch swing; egg baskets; cast iron kettle; cream cans; sausage grinders; belt buckles; Horse Draft Journal & Farm Ranch magazines; 2 man saws; fishing poles; forks; assortment primitives; new tractor radio; new weather station; assortment of other items.

NOTE: Check our website for pictures www.thummelauction.com

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Fun On The Plains

I have often been tempted to publish a newspaper article in its entirety but have always felt that the reader deserved more research on my part. But in this case, I didn't think I could do better than Eli Perkins had done in his

wonderful piece *Fun on the Plains*, originally published in the *New York Daily Graphic* and copied by the *Omaha Daily Bee* in its March 30, 1874 edition. I hope that you agree that in this case Mr. Perkins has given us everything we

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need to know.
FUN ON THE PLAINS
Eli Perkins on the Kansas Pacific

Westward, westward, westward we have been riding all day over the Kansas Pacific. From Kansas City the road runs straight up the Kansas River bottom and along Smoky Hill and the buffalo country to Denver. On the train are Grangers from Carson and Hugo, and killers and stabbers from Wild Horse and Eagle Tail.

As we near Salina, Kansas, Conductor Cheney comes along to collect the fare. Touching a long-haired gentleman on the back he looks down and says:

“Thickets!”

“Hain’t got none,” says the passenger, holding his gun with one hand and scowling out from under his black slouch hat.

“But you must pay your fare, sir!” expostulated the conductor.

“Now jes look a here, stranger! Mebby you’r a doin’ your duty, but I hain’t never paid yet goin’ through this country, and —”

Just then a slouchy, old frontiersman who had been compelled to pay his fare in a rear car, stepped up in front of the mulish passenger and, pointing a

six-shooter at him, said:

“See here, Long Bill, you jes pay your fare. I’ve paid mine, and they don’t anybody ride on this train free if I don’t — if they do damme!”

“All right, you’ve got the drop on me, old boy, so put up yer shooter an’ I’ll settle,” said the passenger, going down into his pocket for the money,

“Do these incidents often happen?” I asked the conductor a little while afterwards.

“Well, yes, but not so often as ‘they used to in ‘68 and ‘70, Mr. Perkins. The other day,” continued the conductor, “some three card monte men came on the train and swindled a drover out of \$150. The poor man seemed to take it to heart. He said his cattle got so cheap during the Eastern “bust” that he had to just “peel ‘em” and sell their hides in Kansas City -- and this was all the money he had. A half dozen miners from Denver overheard the talk, and, coming up, they “drew a bead” on the monte men and told ‘em to pay that money back.

“Just you count that money back conductor,” they said, ‘and after I had done it,’ continued the conductor, one of the head miners said:

“Now conductor, you jes stop the train, an’ we’ll hang these three card monte fellers to the telegraph pole.’”

“But the monte men flew out of the door too quick for ‘em.”

To illustrate the value of human life in this country, Mr. Locke, the manager of the Kansas City Opera House, tells me this story:

Two years ago the James brothers, the same two desperadoes who sacked the express car, and “went through” the passengers on the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific and at Gad’s Hill, stole the money box at the Kansas State Fair. They rode into Kansas City on horseback, and when the cashier was walking to the bank with the receipts of the day; about \$2,000, they pointed their pistols at his head, seized the box, and galloped off. This was done in broad daylight, in the midst of a great crowd.

Well, some time afterwards one of the Kansas City reporters wrote an article about these highwaymen, saying some kind things. He called them brave, and said they had done the most daring deed in the highwayman’s record. A few nights afterwards the James Broth-

ers rode into Kansas City, went to the newspaper office, and calling the reporter out, presented him a handsome watch and chain. They said the article in question touched them in a tender spot, and they desired to show their gratitude.

“But I don’t feel at liberty to take the watch,” said the reporter.

“But do it to gratify us. We didn’t steal this watch; we bought and paid for it with our own money,” continued the desperadoes.

“No; you must excuse me,” continued the reporter.

“Well, then, if you can’t take this watch,” replied the James Brothers, regretfully, “perhaps you can name some man around here you want killed!”

“Eli Perkins.”

Carson, Colorado, March 17, 1874

And that, my friends, proves that a pass on the Kansas Pacific could be very, very entertaining on The Way West.

“*The Cowboy*,” Jim Gray is author of the book *Desperate Seed: Ellsworth Kansas on the Violent Frontier*, Ellsworth, KS. Contact *Kansas Cowboy*, 220 21st RD Geneseo, KS. Phone 785-531-2058 or kansascowboy@kans.com.

Farmers & Ranchers

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Hog Sales on 2nd & 4th Monday of the month only!

TOTAL FOR THE WEEK: CATTLE 2,467

BULLS: \$112.00-\$129.50 COWS: \$86.50-\$96.00	STEERS 400-500 \$190.00 - \$215.00 500-600 \$200.00 - \$199.50 600-700 \$186.00 - \$186.50 700-800 \$153.00 - \$171.00 800-900 \$145.00 - \$157.00 900-1,000 \$144.00 - \$146.00 HEIFERS 500-600 \$160.00 - \$173.00 600-700 \$152.00 - \$157.00 700-800 \$138.00 - \$148.50
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THURSDAY, MARCH 24, 2022

STEERS

3 blk	Abilene	405@215.00
24 blk	Inman	517@199.50
3 blk	Hope	492@199.00
5 mix	Clay Center	495@197.00
12 blk	Inman	532@195.00
2 blk	Marquette	500@195.00
53 blk	Inman	576@188.50
15 blk	Inman	606@186.50
7 blk	Tampa	562@185.00
6 blk	Ellsworth	584@184.00
5 mix	Geneseo	601@184.00
8 mix	Manchest	614@183.50
7 mix	Clay Center	604@183.00
5 blk	Sedgwick	666@181.00
29 blk	Hope	592@181.00
15 mix	Linsdborg	551@179.50
23 blk	Tampa	665@179.00
6 blk	Marion	642@179.00
6 blk	Newton	615@177.00
13 blk	Inman	680@174.50
19 red	Tampa	625@172.50
21 blk	Halstead	712@171.00
12 mix	Linsdborg	613@170.00
2 blk	Colwich	713@169.50
5 mix	Halstead	722@168.00
15 mix	Brookville	721@166.00
16 mix	Salina	713@165.00
12 mix	Salina	680@164.00
6 blk	Marion	738@163.00
15 mix	Geneseo	750@157.50
10 blk	Halstead	747@157.00
20 blk	Inman	780@157.00
5 blk	Abilene	841@157.00
60 blk	Halstead	820@155.00
54 blk	Geneseo	838@154.75
11 blk	Salina	832@154.50
34 mix	Brookville	843@154.25
11 mix	Gypsum	851@154.00
6 blk	Halstead	869@153.00
78 mix	Clafin	850@151.00
35 blk	Halstead	915@148.00
44 blk	Inman	870@147.50
13 mix	Geneseo	928@146.00
10 blk	Halstead	910@146.00
6 mix	Salina	909@145.50
15 blk	McPherson	921@145.50
62 mix	Enterprise	900@145.25
32 mix	Brookville	980@141.75
2 blk	McPherson	520@173.00
7 blk	Hope	523@171.00

CALVES

1 bwf	Ada	140@725.00
1 blk	Canton	260@450.00
1 blk	Ellis	265@450.00
1 blk	Canton	255@435.00
2 mix	Salina	210@410.00
1 blk	Courtland	120@350.00
1 blk	Ada	165@335.00
1 bwf	Ada	175@325.00
1 blk	Glasco	135@310.00
1 blk	Courtland	135@300.00
1 bwf	Minneapolis	110@285.00
1 blk	Salina	160@225.00

BULLS

1 char	Hope	2335@129.50
1 char	Brookville	1985@126.50
1 bwf	Salina	1990@126.00
1 blk	Salina	2235@126.00
1 blk	New Cambria	1935@122.00
1 char	Courtland	1670@122.00
1 char	Salina	2070@121.00
1 blk	Salina	2220@119.50
1 bwf	Salina	1985@119.00
1 char	Salina	1985@118.00
1 blk	Glasco	1670@116.00
1 blk	Linsdborg	2080@112.00

COWS

1420@96.00	Randolph
1268@94.00	Linsdborg
1200@93.00	Holyrood
1380@92.00	Manchest
1315@92.00	Lincoln
1315@91.50	Solomon
1510@91.50	Randolph
1370@91.00	Minneapolis
1385@90.50	Lincoln
1425@90.00	Minneapolis
1675@90.00	Ellis
1318@90.00	Junction City
1313@89.00	Junction City
1453@88.50	Randolph
1465@88.00	Salina
1345@88.00	Salina
1435@87.50	Salina
1560@87.50	Abilene
1310@87.50	Salina
1325@87.00	Canton
1225@86.50	Salina

MONDAY, MARCH 21, 2022

CALVES

1 bwf	Ada	140@725.00
1 blk	Canton	260@450.00
1 blk	Ellis	265@450.00
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1310@87.50	Salina
1325@87.00	Canton
1225@86.50	Salina

UPCOMING SPECIAL SALES:

SPECIAL COW SALES: All Sales are on Tuesday at 11 AM

Tuesday, April 19 * Tuesday, May 3

IN STOCK TODAY:

• Heavy Duty Round Bale Feeders * Heavy Duty Feed Bunks

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