

Kansas Profile

By Ron Wilson

Executive Director of the Huck Boyd Institute



Joe Works — B&W Trailer Hitches

“Do you know where your trailer hitch was made? Should you care?” Those leading questions were found in an ad in a national magazine. The ad described the importance of using American-made products, such as the ones built by this particular company which is located in rural Kansas.

Joe Works is owner and co-founder of B&W Trailer Hitches in Humboldt. Joe grew up on a farm near Humboldt in southeast Kansas and returned to the

farm after attending K-State.

When the farm economy took a downturn in the 1980s, he did some welding at night to supplement the farm income. While at the welding shop, Joe met a guy named Roger Baker. During their breaks, Joe and Roger started talking about trucks and drawing out truck bed designs on a napkin. Roger built a prototype for this new design in his garage, and ultimately the two men went into business together. Using the initials for Baker

and Works, the company was named B&W Truck Beds.

Their goal was to build the highest quality truck bed on the market. The business grew and diversified. Then Joe and Roger thought about how to improve the gooseneck trailer hitches then in use.

At that time, the best option for getting the gooseneck ball out of the way in a truck bed was a large plate with a ball that folded down. This option required a huge hole in the truckbed, and installation was cumbersome.

Together, Joe and Roger designed a hitch with a ball that could be pulled out, turned over, and stowed beneath the bed. They designed a framework which is bolted to the truck frame and requires no welding, drilling, or bed removal to install. This new hitch, called the Turnover Ball, revolutionized the gooseneck hitch industry. This type of ball storage and mounting system is used by nearly every gooseneck hitch manufacturer today.

The company is now known as B&W Trailer Hitches. Joe's daughter, Beth Barlow, is marketing director for the company.

Today, the company employs some 220 people. Employees come from nearby towns like Chanute and Iola, and also rural communities like Piqua, Gas, and Bronson, population 346 people. Now, that's rural.

In 2002, Roger Baker retired from the company and sold his shares to Joe. In 2009, the company began an Employee Stock Ownership Plan under which employees buy into ownership of the company's stock. “This helps the employees function as owners when they make their decisions,” Beth Barlow said.

Today, B&W Trailer Hitches offers an extensive line of products relating to trucks and livestock. These include gooseneck and recreational vehicle hitches, receiver hitches and accessories, truck cab protectors, gooseneck couplers, truck beds, farm and ranch equipment, and all terrain vehicle accessories.

Where are these products sold? The answer is, coast to coast — literally from California to the Carolinas. B&W Trailer Hitches has a network of more than 6,000 dealers across the U.S. and in Canada.

Yet the competition is steep, particularly from low-cost overseas manufacturers.

“So many companies have taken their manufacturing overseas,” Beth Barlow said. “It's investing in the latest technology that makes us efficient and able to compete with foreign competition.”

The company's website is www.turnoverball.com. It says: “Made in the USA” can succeed, but only if we rely on the principles that work in our own neighborhoods. We grow by earning trust and improving customer value, not by cutting costs. We let people use cutting-edge technology to make things safer, easier, and

higher quality, rather than let technology use us. We respond to customers and changing markets by being right-sized and flexible, not just bigger. We treat each other as family, not as ‘labor’ exportable to the lowest bidder.”

“Do you know where your trailer hitch was made? Should you care?” It's obvious that the people of B&W Trailer Hitches care about making a difference with homegrown manufacturing.

And there's more. When B&W Trailer Hitches suffered from the economic downturn, the company considered laying off employees — but instead it chose a different course. We'll learn about that next time.



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Floyd Munson	Olsburg	1 bwf	1190@101.00
Umscheid Farms	Flush	1 xbred	1065@100.00
Charles Price	Perry	1 blk	890@98.00
John Allen	Westmoreland	1 bwf	1540@92.00
Shawn Schaefer	Clifton	1 blk	1140@91.00
Mashed O Ranch	Prairie Village	1 xbred	1140@89.00
Kate Bellinger	St. George	1 blk	1215@88.50
Mike Roggenkamp	Onaga	1 blk	990@88.00
Dave Nelson	St. George	1 bwf	1300@86.75
David Andres	Council Grove	1 blk	1360@86.50
Ron Wilson	Manhattan	1 herford	1480@86.50
Glen & Ginger Wessel	Emporia	1 blk	1245@86.50
Phillip Goodyear	Junction City	1 blk	1435@86.25
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Dennis Schwant	Blaine	1 blk	1410@85.50
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William Jones	Frankfort	1 blk	1695@85.25
Martin Gilbert	Council Grove	1 blk	1385@85.00
Jim & Mike McCormick	Blaine	1 blk	1170@85.00
Shawn Schaefer	Clifton	1 blk	1360@84.25
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Jack Austin	Manhattan	1 xbred	1455@83.25
Brian Beying	Easton	1 blk	1305@83.00
Jim Lawrence	Perry	1 blk	1170@82.50
Raymond Rickstrew	Belvue	1 bwf	1630@82.50
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Tom Steinberger	Wamego	1 blk	1270@80.50
Tim Beying	Easton	1 xbred	1230@80.00
Phillip Goodyear	Junction City	1 bwf	1060@80.00
Ron Abitz	Wheaton	1 herford	1130@78.50
Keith Schaefer	Linn	1 blk	1360@77.50
Duncan Farm	Westmoreland	1 bwf	1510@75.50
Mark Scott	Manhattan	1 blk	1515@73.50
M4 Cattle Co.	Wheaton	1 blk	1600@71.50

COWS BY HEAD

Kevin Cooper Carbondale 3 blk Age 4-5 Mo. \$1,450.00

CONSIGNMENTS FOR SPECIAL COW SALE MAY 2ND STARTING AT 11:00 AM

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- 15 Angus cows, 5-8 yrs old, bred Angus-Simm x bull for Sept.-Oct. calves
- 15 blk cows, 4-7 yrs old, bred to Red Angus & Charolais bulls to start calving August 20th
- 14 blk cows, 5 yrs & older, bred to Hereford bull for Oct-Nov. calves
- 12 Homeraised blk second calf heifer, bred to blk Saler bull for Sept. 15th calving
- 12 blk cows, 3-5 yrs old, bred to blk bull for fall calves
- 10 blk & bwf replacement heifers, exposed April 7th to Synchronized Angus bull
- 10 blk Simm x cows, running age, heavy springers
- 9 big Fancy home raised Angus first calf heifers with early April Angus calves by side and 3 Angus heifers, heavy springers
- 8 blk & red Angus first & second calf, bred to red Angus bull, cleaned up w/Charolais bull, to start calving August 20.
- 8 blk cows running ages, bred to blk Salers bull for Sept. 15 calves
- 7 blk first calf heifers, w/blk calves by side
- 6 1/2 Angus 1/2 Simm cows, 3 yr old, w/Simm x March calves by side
- 6 Angus cows, 3-6 yrs old, bred Angus for Sept-Oct. calves
- 5 Hereford cows, 4-6 yr old, w/Hereford calves by side
- 5 big blk cows, 4-6 yr old, w/Al sired early Feb. calves by side. Cows & calves worked & ready for grass.
- 3 blk cows, 5-6 yrs old, w/Feb.-Mar. calves
- 2 Fancy Angus 1/2 Angus 1/2 Simm 20 month bulls. 1 is sired by SS Eboyns Grand Master, the other by Sinclair Rito Legacy.
- 2 blk cows, w/2-3 week old calves by side
- 2 Fancy 1/2 Angus, 1/2 Simmental 20 month old bulls. One is sired by SS Eboyns Grand Master. One is sired by Sinclair Rito Legacy.
- 2 Angus first calf heifer w/30 day Angus calves by side
- 1 Holstein first calf heifer, w/blk calves by side

CONSIGNMENTS FOR MAY 4TH

5 Hereford str, weaned and all shots, 500-525 lbs.
1 Jersey cow, 6 yrs old, w/Angus x calves by side.

CONSIGNMENTS FOR MAY 11TH

57 choice blk str & hfrs, 40 days weaned, 2 rounds shots, 450-600 lbs.

BULLS — 1800-2025 LBS

Oleen Brothers	Dwight	1 bwf	1800@101.75
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COW/CALF PAIRS

Leroy Fechner	Alta Vista	3 bwf	Age 5-6	Mo. 2-3	\$1,975.00
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Schwieterman Market Outlook

A marketing commentary by Bret Crofts

There were several interesting developments in the markets last week. First of all the natural gas market moved higher for the first time in ages. We still have an overabundance of natural gas, but it looks like the fundamentals have finally stopped getting worse so it is possible that the market may have scored a bottom.

Another interesting move came in the May-July corn spread, which closed at a record high 27½ cents Friday. This is very similar to the way the March-May spread traded and the only reason I care about these huge inversions in the market is because we often see new all time highs when it happens. The reason for that, is the only reason that the spreads move like that, is very strong up front demand for the remaining supplies. It is interesting to note that the May-September spread is at the second widest level ever, but still about 28 cents short of the record, which is near \$1.30. The May-December spread is more than 70 cents short of the 1996 record which was just over \$1.80, so there may be more bull spreading yet to come.

Lastly the May corn moved over the May Kansas City wheat for the first time since 1977. July KW is still 24 cents over the July corn and the December KW is \$1.60 over the December corn. I fear that those spreads will eventually go to zero as well.

The corn market showed some decent strength for the first time since the March Quarterly Stocks Report and the July contract gained 22½ cents, nearly all of which came on Friday. The December contract only gained 2 cents.

Chinese demand for both old crop and new crop corn is one of the big reasons for the bull spreading in the corn market. We have strong basis, which is a symptom of good demand and tight supplies, in a huge part of the country which tells us that

the front month futures are too low and we won't have any deliveries unless they are forced. We also have a lot of concerns about the size of the new crop, which is keeping the December contract from keeping pace with the front months. There are analysts that believe USDA will use a yield of 166 bu/ac in the May supply and demand report due to the fast planting pace. USDA has a history of making adjustments to the trend line yield based on planting pace, so that fear is certainly justifiable. I do have a problem with USDA adding bushels to a trend line yield that is already inflated by dropping the 2011 yield from the equation and I have a problem with making yield adjustments based on planting pace, since there isn't a very good correlation between planting pace and final yield. There have been two occasions in the past 20 years, 1994 and 2004, when relatively fast early planting coincided with record yields. However, the record yield in 2009 was achieved despite a very slow early planting pace, as was the 3rd highest yield ever in 2008, and the fastest start to planting so far, which was in 2010, led to a sub-trend line yield. Nonetheless, USDA likes to make adjustments based on planting pace and we have to take precautions accordingly. It will be very difficult for the December corn to ever get above \$5.56 ahead of the May supply and demand report no matter what the front months do.

The July KW gained 23½ cents for the week, which was a little better than the July corn, but I wonder how much longer that can last. With tightening supplies of corn and wheat harvest coming on I don't see any reason not to expect the July KW to fall below the July corn at some point.

Right now my biggest fears of being more aggressive with short positions in the wheat are the fact that

the wheat-corn spreads are at extreme levels and any strength in the old crop corn should be very supportive to the wheat. Also, we are dealing with a huge net short trading fund position in Chicago and I wonder who is left to be a seller? If the corn can build on this week's gains it is certainly possible that we will see short covering by the funds in the Chicago wheat market. Farmer selling and lack of demand will then limit any rally potential, so don't expect to see much strength.

July soybeans traded over \$15.00 at one point Friday and gained 44 cents for the week. Bull spreading was very active and the November contract only gained 6 cents.

The soybean market is undergoing a very interesting and very bullish fundamental shift. In the March supply and demand report USDA estimated old crop ending stocks at 275 million bushels. In the April report that was cut to 250 million, which is still way more than adequate. In the meantime the July soybeans have moved nearly \$4.00 higher since December despite the large stocks, why is that?

The reason is twofold; first, early projections for new crop stocks are very tight, which tells traders that they should secure supplies sooner, rather than

later, to avoid supply problems. Second, Chinese demand has improved enough and S. America production estimates have been cut enough, that private forecasts are beginning to project old crop ending stocks at 140-150 million bushels. USDA has a tendency to underestimate soybean exports and I have been saying for quite some time that they could be 50-100 million bushels too low with their old crop export estimate and now it is more likely 75-125 million. More and more traders are realizing this and that is what keeps the market moving higher and probably will until USDA prints a realistic export and ending stocks estimate.

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Final applications for NRCS Organic Initiative due by June 1

U.S. Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) state conservationist Eric B. Banks, Salina, reminds potential applicants to contact their local NRCS field office soon to find out if they are eligible for the agency's Organic Initiative. Applications for the final ranking period of 2012 are due at NRCS offices by close of business on June 1, 2012. The NRCS Office Locator is available at go.usa.gov/Uo8.

"The Organic Initiative offers a great way for NRCS to help organic farmers and ranchers and those transitioning to organic farming implement conservation practices on their lands," said Banks. "NRCS employees will assist producers in designing a conservation plan that will work best for their operation."

"As organic production continues to grow in Kansas," said Banks, "NRCS wants to partner with eligible producers to help provide them with the tools they need to be successful organic farmers and ranchers."

"The Organic Initiative also helps address the unique circumstances and concerns of socially disadvantaged, limited resource, and beginning farmers and ranchers, who have natural resource concerns on their land that need attention," said Banks. "Qualifying Kansas socially disadvantaged, limited resource, and beginning farmers and ranchers receive higher payment rates."

Nationwide, NRCS has nearly \$50 million in financial and technical assistance available to certified organic producers, those who want to make the transition to organic production and producers who sell less than \$5,000 in organic products annually.

Part of the Environmental Quality Incentives Program, the Organic Initiative offers a wide array of conservation practices specifically designed for organic production. The top six Organic Initiative conservation practices are cover crops, nutrient and pest management, seasonal high tunnels, crop rotation, and fencing.

- Changes for the 2012 signups include —
- Three ranking periods for current and transitioning producers,
 - A threshold ranking score that can speed up approval for qualified applicants,
 - Conservation practices are required that promote the consistent use of those practices, and
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Kansas Hay Market Report

Hay trade slow. Demand moderate for dairy, stock cow, grinding alfalfa, grass hay and alfalfa pellets. Producers are cutting over all but the northwest and north Central parts of Kansas, most yields are light, some are good, quality is reported mostly good. Prices are slow developing but are softer. If it rains the end of this week prices will be pressured, if it doesn't and production is lower prices will gain strength. If you have hay for sale or pasture to rent or need hay or grazing, use the services of the Hay and Pasture Exchange: www.kfb.org/hayandpasture/default.htm

Southwest Kansas

Dairy and grinding alfalfa steady, to soft. Movement slow. Alfalfa, Dairy, Supreme 270.00-315.00; Premium 250.00-290.00; Good, New Crop 235.00; Heifer or Bunk hay 220.00-250.00; Fair-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field or shipped in, 200.00-220.00, a little new crop contracted 185.00-200.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots and dairies 240.00-280.00, some ground on 215.00-230.00, a little new crop contracted 200.00-240.00. The week of 4/16-21, 6,999T of grinding alfalfa and 1,725T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Straw, large bales 65.00-75.00, 80.00-90.00 delivered. CRP grass in large bales 100.00, best 130.00. Corn stalks 65.00-70.00, or 80.00-100.00 delivered, ground and delivered 90.00-125.00. South central Kansas Dairy and grinding alfalfa and alfalfa pellets steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa, Dairy, Supreme, 260.00-300.00, instance 325.00; Premium 230.00-270.00; Utility-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 180.00-210.00, a little new crop 160.00. Ground and delivered locally to feedlots 220.00-250.00, a little new crop contracted 200.00-220.00. The week of 4/16-21, 3,384T of grinding alfalfa and 420T of dairy alfalfa were delivered. Alfalfa pellets: sun cured 15 pct protein 270.00-280.00, 17 pct protein 280.00-290.00; Dehydrated 17 pct 310.00. Straw, large bales 60.00-75.00. Corn stalks 65.00-70.00.

Southeast Kansas

Alfalfa and brome steady, prairie hay steady to spots 10.00 lower. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse and goat, mid square 250.00; Dairy 250.00-260.00; Blue-stem: Good, small squares 100.00-130.00, mid and large squares 100.00-125.00, large rounds 80.00-85.00. Brome: Good, Small squares

110.00-130.00 mid and large squares 100.00-110.00, large rounds 80.00-100.00. Grass Mulch CWF, large round 60.00. Straw, large bales 60.00-65.00.

Northwest Kansas

Grinding alfalfa steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse scarce; Dairy, no trade. Stock Cow, Good 200.00; Fair-Good grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field 180.00-220.00, a little new crop contracted 160.00. Ground and delivered to feedlots and dairies 205.00-250.00. CRP grass in large bales 80.00-100.00, some Good 125.00. Corn stalks 55.00-65.00.

North Central-Northeast Kansas

Dairy and grinding alfalfa, prairie hay and brome steady. Movement slow. Alfalfa: Horse, 280.00-300.00, some 7.50-8.00/small square bale; Dairy, Supreme, 250.00-310.00; Premium 230.00-270.00; New Crop, no test 210.00-250.00; Utility-Fair grinding alfalfa at the edge of the field, 170.00-210.00, alfalfa ground-on-the-truck 200.00-250.00, Ground and delivered 225.00-250.00. Grass hay: Bluestem Good, small squares, 5.00-6.50/bale, 100.00-125.00, Mid squares 100.00-140.00, large rounds 40.00-45.00/bale, 70.00-100.00/T, 110.00 delivered. Brome: Good, small squares, 6.50-8.00/bale, 110.00-150.00/T, Mid squares, 100.00-150.00, large

round, 50.00/bale, 75.00-100.00/T. Grass Mulch, large round 50.00-60.00, CWF large round 95.00-100.00. Straw, small squares 3.00/bale or 4.00/bale delivered, large bales 60.00-70.00/T or 70.00-75.00 delivered. Cornstalks ground and delivered 100.00. Milo stalks, large round 65.00-75.00.

****Prices are dollars per ton and FOB unless otherwise noted. Dairy alfalfa prices are for mid and large squares unless otherwise noted. Horse hay is in small squares unless otherwise noted. Prices are from the most recent sales. *CWF Certified Weed Free *RFV calculated using the Wis/Minn formula. **TDN calculated using the Western formula. Quantitative factors are approximate, and many factors can affect feeding value. Values based on 100% dry matter (TDN showing both 100% & 90%). Guidelines are to be used with visual appearance and intent of sale (usage). Source: Kansas Dept of Ag-USDA Market News Service, Dodge City, KS Steve Hessman, Rich Hruska, OIC (620) 227-8881 24 hour price information (620) 369-9311 www.ams.usda.gov/mnreports/DC_GR310.txt*

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Ready for his close-up: veterinary professor making house calls as host of national cable program

A Kansas State University veterinarian is taking his expertise to a national television audience as host of his own weekly show.

Dan Thomson, the Jones professor of production medicine and epidemiology and director of the Beef Cattle Institute in the university's College of Veterinary Medicine, began hosting "DocTalk with Dr. Dan Thomson" on cable television's RFD-TV on April 30. The weekly program will air Mondays at 3:30 p.m., with second airings of the show at 1:30 a.m. on Tuesdays.

Each week Thomson and his guests will discuss important issues related to livestock welfare and management, including current animal agriculture research, ways to keep the food supply safe and companion animal health issues. Guests will include nationally and internationally known veterinarians and animal scientists — including Kansas State University faculty members — who conduct clinical research on ways to

improve the health and well-being of all kinds of animals.

Topics for "DocTalk" programs include trichomoniasis in cattle, first aid for horses, choosing a companion animal, food safety issues like E. coli in beef cattle, carbon foot-printing misconceptions related to the beef industry, how dairy producers keep the nation's milk supply safe, equine dentistry and more.

"DocTalk" is a spinoff from the locally produced ag show, "Ag AM in Kansas," which airs across the state. Thomson started doing the program a few years ago.

"Interest just grew. We first did five-minute segments that soon grew into 30-minute episodes," he said. "Expanding our reach with 'DocTalk' is such an honor. I give 50-60 invited talks a year, so to be able to amplify your message to the 40 million to 60 million homes RFD-TV reaches is a great opportunity."

Thomson said the show

will reach two important audiences.

"The first audience, farmers and ranchers, watch to glean information on raising animals and improving their health and welfare and the product produced. We'll be bringing them the latest advancements in these areas," he said.

The other viewing audience is made up of people not involved directly in agriculture.

"These are consumers of ag products. I hope we can help them understand how their food is produced," Thomson said. Pet owners also will benefit, as the show will discuss dogs, cats and other companion animals.

"Doing this show is a great way to showcase Kansas State University faculty, whether they're from the College of Agriculture or the College of Veterinary Medicine," Thomson said. "It's also a way to highlight our Kansas farmers, ranchers and veterinarians. We want to make the state of

Kansas and the university proud."

Thomson, a third-generation bovine veterinarian, is an internationally recognized expert and leader in beef cattle production and health management. He is the former chair of the OIE Beef Cattle Production and Animal Welfare Committee, an international animal health group that develops beef cattle production and welfare standards worldwide. A K-State faculty member since 2004, Thomson teaches courses in cow/calf, stocker and feed yard production medicine welfare and nutrition. He has published 50 peer-reviewed papers, four book chapters and 186 abstracts. He has given 458 invited talks around the world on

his research and experience in beef cattle welfare.

Thomson's research program has received more than \$33 million in extramural grants, including \$13.7 million to him as the principal investigator. He has worked with major advisory boards and committees for such industry groups as the Food Marketing Institute, the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, American Farm Bureau, American Association of Bovine Practitioners and more. His expertise has been reported in many major media outlets, including CBS News, USA Today, New York Times and Los Angeles Times.

Prior to joining K-State, Thomson was director of animal health and well-

being for Cactus Feeders in Amarillo, Texas, and was an associate veterinarian with Veterinary Research and Consulting Services in Greeley, Colo. He earned a bachelor's in animal science and his doctor of veterinary medicine degree from Iowa State University, a master's in ruminant nutrition from South Dakota State University and a doctorate in ruminant nutrition from Texas Tech University.

RFD-TV is the nation's first 24-hour television network dedicated to the needs and interests of rural America. According to RFD-TV, its broadcasts reach 63 percent of all farmers and ranchers in the nation, making it the No. 1 cable network for farmer and rancher viewership.

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TRUCKS, CARS, MOTOR HOME & CAMPERS: 1992 34' **Bouder motorhome w/ leaving jacks, 2 roof AC, awning on all windows 10 kw Onan gen, 66,000 miles, Ford 460 w/ over drive trans, very nice condition;** 2000 GMC Jimmy, 4x4, new a/c; 1996 Freightliner Century, twin screw, engine 12.7, 470 hp trans, RTAO-16710C-AS, rear axle D5404 ratio 3.70, air ride, 224" wheelbase, sleeper, 70RR s.n.1FU55EB1WL968627; 1990 Jeep Cherokee Laredo 4x4; 1991 Ford F-350 dually; 1954 Willy's Jeep w/tow bar; 1978 24' Coachman camper trailer; 1959 Chevy Viking 40 - farm truck; 1990 Ford E350 ambulance w/7.3 diesel (electric problem); Fontaine No-Slack 5th wheel Mod # SL5AWBD2881; 1982 Delta 88 Olds 47,778 miles; 1990 Hino flatbed truck w/racks, 12'x8', diesel; 2000 Jayco Quest 5th wheel camper, 24', 4 slides; 1947 Cadillac, 32,000 miles, original condition, great project car; 1985 Six-Pac slide in camper mod # 8STD; 1996 Cadillac Deville Sedan; 1970 Ford 600 farm truck; 1966 Chevy Custom van, 63,000 original miles; Mastser Tow car dolly w/straps.

TRAILERS: 2010 16'x7' Pace enclosed trailer w/ramp door; 22' enclosed Circle D trailer - dual axle; 1995 Great Dane enclosed semi trailer, 53" single drop trailer, tires 215/75R17, mod 731115A; 1984 28' Evans semi-trailer (storage); goose-neck stock trailer, 39' overall w/a compartment; White 12' enclosed trailer; 38' Shopmade gooseneck 3 axle implement trailer, 30' working deck; 14' dual axle utility trailer; 5' x 8' carry you gated trailer w/ spare tire; 2 wheel car dolly in good condition.

MOTORCYCLES, ATVS & GOLF CARTS: 1992 Harley Davidson Springer softtail very nice lots of extras; Landpride Runabout dune buggy w/Honda motor & winch; EZ Go golf cart, gas, good; EZ Go elec. golf cart,

all terrain tires, lift kit, camouflage w/battery charger, nice; Yamaha Enduro 100cc; Baja dirt runner 49cc; 2006 Suzuki 50cc ATV, runs good; 2008 Polaris 500 Sportsman 4x4; 2006 Kawasaki KFX 700; 2002 Artic cat 500 with winch; Pathfinder go-kart w/5 hp Tecumseh Power Sport motor; 3 go-karts (2 double passenger & 1 single passenger); 2004 Easy Go electric golf cart, new batteries and charger.

CONSTRUCTION EQUIP.: 1999 Terex Square Shooter telehandler forklift Mod SS842, ser#991766, 1941 hrs., 1 new rear tire, works good, 8,000 lb. cap, 42' lift; Genie GS 1930 Elec scissor lift w/ charger 64"x29" working deck; Clark forklift, propane, hard rubber; Hyster E35XL electric forklift w/charger, 3200 lb capacity, 130" lift w/side shift, (good condition); forklift cherry picker; 2008 Case 465 skid steer loader, 2700 hrs cab w/ heat, hand controls 3200# lift Cummins diesel; 1997 New Holland LX665 1700 hrs 66" bucket open cab 1750# lift; used skid steer demolition grapple; 48" skid steer pallet forks 4000# capacity; 1993 Ditch Witch 440a Jet Trac boring machine power pac 50A c/w H.D. 2 axle trailer with pentahitch mod. TP15J and KHD deutz diesel mod F411011 and mud pump, H.D. hose reels, boring machine (needs repair), 300 gal poly tank; Case 580 Super E total loader backhoe - 2479 hrs on rebuilt motor, rebuilt injection pump & new nozzles - 2308-hrs, new battery - 2348 hrs, new rear glass & hatches - 2462 hrs, has 4 buckets 16" - 22" - 12"-24".

MOWERS & FARM EQUIPMENT: 1986 Deutz-Allis tractor 5230 Traxton 31 hp. diesel, synchronized transmission, 3 pt., PTO, power steering, turf tires, good condition; 1948 LA Case tractor w/ new paint, decals, & umbrella; Ferguson tractor w/loader & 3 pt., dirt slip like new tires; Farmall H - Tractor; 1953? D14 Allis - Chalmers tractor new paint looks good; New Holland square bailer, Model 269, uses wire only; new Landpride rotary mower, model RCF2784 7' mower; Landpride rotary mower Model RCR1272 6' mower; JD 178 riding mower, 15 hp., 44" mowing deck; 8 hp. Troybilt 33" commercial walk behind mower; 5 1/2 hp. 24" Craftsman mower; JD 212 riding mower w/47" cut, Kohler motor; JD LX173 riding lawn tractor 38" deck; electronic scale for wheat truck; 5th wheel mount; IHC cub Lo-Box 154 tractor w/5' mower deck, new front tire, new battery; IHC Cub Cadet 149 Hydrostatic riding lawn mower, 5' mower deck; Troyo-Bilt rear tine tiller, new tires; Huskee Chipper

shredder 5 hp, B&S motor; 3pt Boom sprayer frame - mod 3P-FF600; JD 2 row planter; 44" rugged cut swisher trail mower mod RT10544 & RT 80044 w/ extra blades; Troy Bilt chipper shredder mod #CS4210-CS4265; Grasshopper mod 618 zero turn 60" mowing deck, grass catcher & blower, mulching blade, snow plow, grass thatcher, extra tires w/ snow chains; 2 Hummer tires and rims.

WESTERN ITEMS: 35 year old Stetson 10X beaver cowboy hat, size 7 1/2, like new w/original box; Long Horn roping saddle; old set of long horns 7' wide; nice padded seat western saddle w/silver trim.

GUNS: Comm. Winchester Centennial 66 L.A. repeating rifle 30-30 cal 26' oct barrel N.I.B w/ sleeve; Comm. Winchester antlered game mod 94 L.A. repeating carbine 20" round barrel 30-30 cal; .SR-550 50 cal. sniper rifle w/tripod; Romania AK-47 7.62x39 cal. semi auto rifle w/bayonet, clip, ammo pouch; 10 ga Browning BPS w/ v-rib rim chokes in good condition *Puma mod 92 L.A. rifle 45 colt; Rock Island Armory 22 cal. semi auto rifle; Russian mod 91-30 - 762x54R (308) cal. B.A. rifle w/bayonet & ammo pouches; Phoenix Arms .25 cal. A.C.P. mod hp25A; Cobray derringer 45 long colt semi auto pistol; 50 cal. black powder inline Connecticut rifle; 243 cal. Howa B.A. rifle, model 500 w/Nikon 3x9 BDC scope; 45 cal. 410 double barrel derringer pistol FMC; Stevens Mod 820B 12ga pump riot gun w/sling; Chiappa Firearms LTD 22 cal rev. mod. Puma 1873-22 NIB; 4 boxes 243 ammo; 50 rounds 45 auto; 4 - 25 lb. bags of 8 shot; Winchester Spotting Scope; Mossberg 30-06 b/a, mod. Maverick w/3x9 Simmons scope, NIB.

KNIVES: Kabar USMC semper FI Operation Iraq Freedom, US M8A1 knife & scabbard; Timber Rattler w/scabbard TR73; Winchester Bowie type knife w/scabbard Timber Wolf TW109; Schrade razor blade knife, stainless.

USD 239: Hobart s/s convection gas oven; 12 fold up rolling lunchroom tables; 35 plastic stacking chairs w/rolling holder; 3 wood book shelves; 1 rolling computer table; 30 computer monitors; 28 Gateway computers; table legs; light fixtures; 3 dr. locking glass bulletin board; 6 TVs; 4 overhead projectors; Kodak carousel 4600 projectors; several Canon & Pentax 35mm cameras; 2-12 drawer wood index card file cabinets; 17 office chairs; 2 battery powered Advance floor scrubbers; 200B self-propelled floor scrubber;

Windson 2 power escort floor scrubber; Windson Admiral plus floor scrubber; 3 floor polishers; several tables; approx. 196 metal folding chairs on 4 rolling racks; 4 drawer file cabinet; 4 rolling projector carts; Frontier model STO521 gas snow blower; 10 stacking chairs; 4 metal desks; 6 wood chairs; 5 office chairs; nice desk w/side wing; 3-4dr file cabinets; small wood desk; window display.

HAM RADIO EQUIPMENT: Hamm radio equipment (2 tables full), some new in box) *50' of ham radio Roan 25 Tower (All equipment from estate).

PALLET RACKING, SHELVING & SHOWCASES: Pallet racking (8' tall x 1' long x 42"deep, 12' tall x 8' long x 42"deep, 12' tall x 10' long x 48" deep); 7 showcases.

TOOLS: T30 Ingersoll-Rand Industrial Air Comp 3-phase 30 hp; large 13 Drawer roll around Snap On Tool Box; 11 Drawer MAC Tool Box w/2 Side mount boxes; new JD AC-G40005 generator, 4000 watts; new JD AC-G5000 generator, 5000 watts on wheels; Propane Honda Gen Ex 5500 watts; storm door; dirt devil vacuum; elec. pole chain saw; small Campbell Hausfeld air compressor; Enco 16 speed drill press, Mod 125-1141, new; Craftsman 7 1/2" radial arm miter saw; Shop Fox 12" disc sander, mod W1708, new; gas furnace; 2 fold up bikes; car ramps; walking cultivator; rebar cutter; edging; 3/4" socket set; Nova Sherwin Williams airless paint sprayer; Makita cordless drill w/charger & case; Poulan gas 200 mph leaf blower; Milwaukee job site radio; DeWalt cordless saws *Makita cordless drill, grinder & case; BD miter box saw; Craftsman table saw; Ryobi table saw; Bostitch air nailer; carpet pad; shelving; 2 Air Mate by Emglo air compressors; Craftsman air compressor; 7 electric scooters (parts only); lumber; awning; metal roofing; insulated vinyl siding; 16' ga. metal gate; H.D. metal pipe gates; 2 pallets of Heritage & Legacy shingles; 200 gal fuel tank for pickup; 35 like new seats; 45 new van windows; light for trailers; 22 large U bolts; several shock absorbers; 11 - 12 volt truck batteries; 8 pallets of plywood; racing equipment & parts for race cars; 454 Chevy block & parts; 2 - rebuilt 400 transmissions; 72 Chevy parts; racing suit & 2 helmets; lots of parts; good fire extinguishers (out of date); air hose & reel; chain saws; lots of Craftsman elec. tools; Craftsman cordless set (skill saw - drill - 18 volt); 8'x8' plastic storage container; Chevy full size P.U. topper; Howe #2 school platform scale; planter ground drive; fertilizer

ground drive w/ John Blue pump; 1 - box port holes w/ screw on caps; 4 bundles of steel tubing 3/16" wall; steel planter ladder; steel tubing drop; seal hose; 5 walk boards; 1 small seed tray; steel rack w/ castors; steel rack w/ arms; steel rack w/ hooks; Continental heavy duty drill press mod #dpf-13-5 5 speed; storage cabinets; blue metal storage cab.; Black & Decker radial arm saw; Belsaw mod 2400 saw sharpener; plywood cutter; hyd porta power; elec start New Titan 7500 watt diesel gen.; elec start New Titan 8500 watt gas gen.; Tac 2T New Titan gas air compressor; New Titan H.D. 3" trash pump; New Titan H.D. power washer; water - reel irrigation system; 2 - 20' Werner fiberglass step ladders; 16' Werner fiberglass ladder; 40' Werner fiberglass extension ladder; 2 alum extension ladders; 12' black truck box; electric downdraft table w/dust collector; pallet of high bay lights; pallet of elect. panels & misc.; pallet of 1/2" to 4" conduit; Ford 8N tractor parts.

New 20 hp. Vanguard/Daihatsu 3 cyl. diesel motor, model #522447 (new in box)

SPORTING GOODS, CAMPING & HUNTING EQUIPMENT: 10'x10'x6' wall screen house tent; turkey decoys; camouflage clothing; baseball back stop & return; approx. 20 fishing poles; electric trolling motor; fish landing nets; trailer mounted BBQ/smoker grill; new elk calls; goose and turkey decoys.

NEW BUILDING SUPPLIES & LUMBER: 2 Therm Tru doors; new Larson door; new plank paneling; several new Marvin windows; new cedar tongue & groove 1"x6"; new pine tongue; groove; cherry lumber; gable vent; Kohler shower wall sets; shower base; post lights; roofing shovels; large scraper; tile molding & trim.

We have 2 trailer loads of new vanities, combo sinks & vanities, vanity cabinets, bath tubs, fire pits, tool boxes, dorm room size refrigerators, wine refrigerator, water cooler, s/s kitchen sink w/faucet; toilet seats; bifold doors; laminate flooring; faux wood blind; led flashlights.

ANTIQUE COLLECTIBLES: 1957 Gottlieb's super circus 2 player 5 cent pinball machine, wood trim; Hand crank wall mount Chicago Telephone Co., in good condition; old train set in original, made by Louis Marx & Co.; old metal Coca Cola cooler in good condition; Dandy square glass butter churn; wooden glass showcase; oak sideboard with beveled mirror; round oak table; buffet; brass fire extinguishers; brass harness Haines; Columbia Meat Co screw down

juice press; Crown Furniture co. advertising thermometer; perfume bottle; corn cream picture; Coca Cola glasses; Kerosene lamps; 2 old Singer sewing machines; old Storn Rite elec. toaster; sad iron shaped like Dutch shoe; brass doorbell; needle point ottoman; granite-ware coffee pot; pots & pans; dipper; coffee cups; cream can; pedal car; child's violin & case; stoneware jugs; 3 horse collars; 18 Edison cylinder records; 8 gal Red Wing Union Stoneware Co crock; 5 gal Western Stoneware crock; Shoulder Jug crock; Asst old metal toy trucks and cars; DeLaval creamer; 1-6' wooden cigar store Indian; 1 - 5' cigar store Indian.

We have a very large doll collection over 6-8' tables full of dolls. Many new in boxes (e.g. Barbie, Disney, Cabbage Patch, Star, Glo Troll, collector choice, Urkel, Pee Wee Herman); doll bed; doll stroller; Lots of Elvis items; 3 Hot Wheel die cast cars in the box; 27 boxes of new collectable toys (e.g. WCW, Starting Lineup NFL, bobbing head dolls and more, approx. 15 in a box).

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS & FURNITURE: 5 pc king size bed (dresser w/ mirror, high boy dresser, 2 night stands; Perdue 5 drawer high boy w/matching 6 drawer dresser w/mirror & 2 matching night stands.; heavy wood dining table w/6 matching chairs; gray leather sofa & matching love seat; black wood entertainment center; blue leather recliner; blue fabric recliner, ottoman; floor lamp; coffee table; 2 lamp tables; entertainment center; 2 pine benches; 2 end tables; 6' oak curved glass china cabinet, reproduction; reproduction oak ice box; end tables *magazine table; full size pool table with all the ass.; Lite beer pool table light; wood burning fireplace; **Sungwest Pro 165 tanning bed;** wood rolling garden cart; Maytag dryer; s/s Charbroil propane BBQ grill; 4 bicycles; 2 scooters; 2 window air conditioners; drafting table; white Whirlpool refrigerator; Roper washer & dryer; Kenmore range, self-cleaning oven, flat top; LaJolla bike; AX2-212digital guitar amp; Dunlop Vision golf clubs; laptop computer; Sentry Safe; Magic Chef wine cooler; oak buffet; old record player w/ AM radio; Gretsch - Burl Ives Guitar; Lyle banjo & copy of Antonius Stradivarius violin, made in Czechoslovakia; Harmony banjo; accordion; oak entertainment ctr; ADC turntable; DWA turntable; make-up table & chair; stainless steel pot; newspaper roller; ceiling fans & light fixtures; Coke machine; 3 tables of car & truck manuals; approx. 10 squares of new Prestige roofing shingles.

REAL ESTATE AUCTIONS

ABSOLUTE REAL ESTATE AUCTION

Date: May 7th Time: 6 pm

Auction location: 704 W. Walnut, Salina, KS

This would make a nice starter house or rental centrally located close to cottonwood school.

Date: May 8th, 6:00 pm

REAL ESTATE AUCTION

1224 S. Lightville Road, Salina, Ks

Directions - from Salina go west on I-35 on Crawford to K-140 west (4.6 miles) to Lightville Road, go .03 mi south to 1224 S. Lightville road (Alfred Erickson old farmstead)

The homestead has lots of trees, 1 1/2 story house, 3 car garage, large concrete block barn w/concrete floor, septic system, well, cistern, great place for garden and a pony. The buildings are in need of roof work and repair. Ell-Salina school district with bus service. A handyman special.

Date: May 9th Time: 6pm

Auction location: 642 S. 11th Salina, KS

This house has been completely redone with all new windows, roof, heat & central air, new higher end oak kitchen cabinets, finished basement, privacy fence around back yard. Owner has bought a home in Oklahoma and will be moved by sale date. Great house and all the work has been done ready to move in.

REAL ESTATE AUCTION

Date: May 15th Time: 7pm

Auction location: 124 E Lincoln, Lindsborg, KS

Approx. 40 acres of farmland located on the west side of Main Street on the north side of Lindsborg, KS. Great farmland with development potential, mineral rights do not sell with the property.

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Waterways infrastructure important to soybean industry

As part of a hearing examining the reliability of America's aging waterways infrastructure and how it impacts economic competitiveness, Mike Steenhoek, executive director of the Soy Transportation Coalition (STC), testified on Capitol Hill before the House Transportation Subcommittee on Water Resources and the Environment. Representing the STC, which comprises eleven state soybean boards, the American Soybean Association (ASA) and the United Soybean Board (USB), Steenhoek's testimony focused on the critical need for investment in the nation's inland waterways system. Steenhoek cited the prominence of soybeans as an export commodity, the erosion of U.S. competitive advantage in transportation, the need to invest in waterways infrastructure, and just as importantly, the need to improve the way we utilize the funding. "One of the primary reasons U.S. agriculture is so viable and competitive is our expansive and efficient transportation network," stated Steenhoek. "However, the Soy Transportation Coalition and many others are gravely concerned with the condition of our inland waterway system." Steenhoek pointed to a recent study from USB that projects the impact of potential lock and dam failures on the competitiveness of the soybean industry. "Unfortunately," he said, "there is an established and growing consensus that such failures are not a matter of if they occur, they are a matter of when. ... Our dilapidated lock and dam inventory is increasingly plagued by unscheduled maintenance and mechanical breakdowns. This discourages investment by those who utilize the inland waterway system toward modernization of river terminals, towing equipment, or barge fleets." Steenhoek's testimony supported more investment in inland waterways and also highlighted the importance of better project management on infrastructure improvements. "One of the arguments in our ongoing analysis is examining 'how money is allocated is just as important as how much money is allocated,'" said Steenhoek. "It is discouraging to observe how many other countries are able to construct their major infrastructure projects much more efficiently than we can. The

Panama Canal expansion project is a great example. This \$5.25 billion project commenced in 2007 and is scheduled to be completed in late 2014 or early 2015. The expansion project is more imposing and complex than any project we have under way or planned in our inland waterway system, yet all indications are that the project will be completed within budget and only a handful of months behind schedule. Compare this to our Olmsted Lock and Dam project that had an original cost estimate of \$775 million and has recently been updated to more than \$3 billion with a significant time horizon remaining before it will be completed. When examining the various reasons for our repeated cost overruns and project delays, it quickly becomes evident that a major contributing factor is the piecemeal and unpredictable manner in which we finance these projects."

Upgrading and modernizing the locks and dams has been a long held priority of ASA. ASA supports increased funding for waterways infrastructure, and to that end, supports the Waterways are Vital for the Economy, Energy, Efficiency, and Environment Act (WAVE4) recently introduced by Rep. Ed Whitfield (R-Ky.). ASA hopes that the WAVE4 bill will initiate the dialogue and spur the action that is urgently needed to avoid catastrophic disruptions to commerce and maintain the economic competitiveness of U.S. exports. ASA strongly believes that investing in transportation infrastructure is a worthy and justifiable use of federal funds; however, recognizing the budgetary and administrative challenges that exist, ASA stands ready and willing to engage with all stakeholders on innovative ways to meet our infrastructure needs in the most efficient manner possible. Through its involvement in the STC, ASA advocates a transportation system that delivers cost-effective, reliable, and competitive service for the soybean industry. ASA represents all U.S. soybean farmers on domestic and international issues of importance to the soybean industry. ASA's advocacy efforts are made possible through voluntary membership by more than 21,000 farmers in 31 states where soybeans are grown.

AUCTION

THURSDAY, MAY 10 — 5:00 PM

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Toburen items (to begin selling around 5:45): Maytag washer & dryer; lg. oak dining room table w/matching chairs; oak entertainment center; multiple TVs; sm. oak ice box, new; couch; end tables; lamps; queen bed; twin bed & mattress; Mr. Heater indoor heater; Christmas decorations; kitchen & household items; Aussie stainless steel propane grill; single axle utility trailer w/lights & dump bed; yard trailer; pallet jack; pull behind yard sprayer; 2 pull behind thatchers, one w/blade attachment; pull behind spreader/seed; misc. yard tools & equipment; ladders; Craftsman 22 gallon vert. air compressor; Ryobi bench top drill press; Ryobi compound miter saw; 6" bench grinder; Wilton vice; heavy duty work bench; lg. tool box; many nice sm. power tools; lg. variety mechanics & woodworking tools; other shop supplies.

The following items will be sold for Wava-Budden-Machmer-Snyder (to sell first, at 5:00): Whirlpool side-by-side refrigerator w/water & ice in door; Stacking washer & dryer; Tappan apt. size elec. range; sm. microwave; queen size oak bookcase headboard w/steel frame; queen size Serta pillow top mattress & box springs; Feldkamp's best, like new; oak 4 section barrister's bookcase, new style; oak entertainment center; dresser; sm. desk; computer desk; other misc. furniture; 3 boxes antique glassware; some misc. household goods.

NOTE: Both of these parties have moved to assisted living and had to downsize. This is a nice small sale with clean, high quality items. Google kretzauctions.com or go to kansasauctions.net for pictures & details. Lunch to be served. Hope to be done around 7:30.

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Cub Cadet Series 2000 "2166" Shaft Drive, Bag, 36" Cut Kohler OHV Motor; Toro Push Mower OHV GTS w/Catcher; Push Mower w/Catcher; Metal True Temper Wheelbarrow; Snow Blower (Mowers Will Sell at 6:30 P.M.)

HOUSEHOLD * MISCELLANEOUS

Duncan Phye Drop Leaf Table w/4 Acorn Pattern Carved Back Chairs w/3 Extensions & Table Pads; Round Maple Table w/4 chairs & 2 leaves; Walnut Wood Arms Roll Desk Chair; 2 La-Z-Boy Recliners; Rocker; Gold Couch; Wing Back Love Seat; Vinyl Chair w/Ottoman; Toshiba 30" Color TV w/Remote; Small White Microwave; Flower Chair w/Ottoman; Several Metal Utility Stands & Cabinets; Storage Bins; Hanging Lamps, Pole, Floor, End Table & Bed Light; Square Corner Table, End Table (Liar Pattern); Mahogany Pedestal Oval Coffee Table w/Glass; 2 Matching Magazine Side Tables; 1/2 End Table; Full Size Blonde Bedroom Set w/Double Dresser w/Mirr or & Night Stand; Gold Frame Round Mirror; 2 Oreck XL Upright Sweeper and 1 Hand Held Oreck; Brass Wall Mount Kerosene Lamp; Singer Sewing Machine; Gold Frame Rectangular Mirror; Electric Indoor Grill; Outdoor Grill; Metal & Glass Plant Stand; Ottoman; Asst. Wall Plaques & Figurines; Asst. Clocks; Rocker (Rose) w/Wood Arms; All Sizes of Area Rugs; All Sized of Braided Rugs; Wood TV Stand w/Shelves; Wood Credenza w /Marble Top; Walnut Curio Cabinet w/Glass Doors; Electrolux Canister Sweeper; Metal TV Trays; Kitchen Utility Stand; Large Soup Kettle; 3 Pressure Cookers; Club Aluminum Nesting Bowls; Large Roaster; Asst. Pots & Pans; Large Asst. Tupperware; 1950's Drinking Glasses; Cooking Utensils; Pyrex

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TOOLS * MISCELLANEOUS

Craftsman Air Gun; Honlet Garden Sprayer; Garden Supplies; Paint; Asst. Spray Paint; Lawn & Garden Tools; Paint Brushes; Lawn & Garden Edging; Electrical Supplies; Plumbing Supplies; Asst. New Window Shutters; Echo Leaf Blower; Fishing Poles; Craftsman Router; Asst. Shop Hand Tools; Asst. Shovels, Rakes, Spades Etc.; Heavy Duty Metal Lawn Chairs; Asst. Vise, Pulleys, C Clamps Etc. Hammer's, Pipe Wrenches; Wood Cabinet Supplies; XL Asst. Iron Tools; Wood Planes; Large Asst. Hardware; Antique Miter Framing Saw; 1930's Carpenter Boxes w/Tools; 3 Wooden Toolboxes; Brass Tire Pump; Oil Cans; Garden Hose

SATURDAY, MAY 12 • 9:00 AM SHARP

ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

Brown Carved Arm Chair; XL Asst. Ornate Lamps, Floor, Buffet, Reading, Hanging, End Table, Wall Mount, Dresser Etc.; Arm Chair w/Ottoman; Metal Window Seat; Wicker Parlor Chair; Full Size Wood Quilting Frame; Large Wood Quilting Frame; Large Oval & Round Quilting Hoops; Large Asst. Quilting Pieces; Handmade & Hand Stitches Quilts; Large Asst. Old Prints, Pictures, Paper Prints; Silver Plate Tea Kettle, Sugar, Creamer, Bell & Serving Trays; Large Asst. Silver Plated, Copper & Brass Serving Items; Silver Plated Jewelry Box; Asst. Metal Picture Frames; Metal Wall Mount Magazine Rack; Child Metal Stove; Victrola Record Cabinet w/Records; Victor -Radio Magazines; Life & Post Magazines Etc.; Large Asst. Crochet Tablecloth, Doilies, Dresser Scarves, Linens, Embroidered & Crochet Items; Ladies Vintage Clothing Fur & Lamb Coats, Dresses, Purses, Hats Etc.; Large Asst. Jewelry; Wood Console Singer Sewing Machine; 2 XL Wood Barrels; Wood Wash Stand; Wood Kitchen Cabinets; Asst. Kerosene Lamps & Bases; Asst. Enamel Buckets, Pots & Pans, Cups, Coffee Kettles Etc.; The Glass King Washboard; Black Lunch Pails; Soup Kettle; Large Karo Syrup Can w/Handle; Hanson Meat Scale; Rogers & Overlaid Sterling Tableware w/Case; Pairs of Sterling Silver Cake & Knife Servers; Large Rocking Horse; 2 Wicker Coolie Hats; Pressed Back Oak Chair; Large Ornate Picture Frames & Mirrors; Large Ornate Picture & Prints of Skip Indians of Ellsworth County; Electric Fore Dam Carving Tools; Small Army Trunk, Large Canvas Trunk, Camel Back Trunks & Steamer Trunks; Wooden Right Hand Golf Clubs w/Canvas Bag; Wood 7 Drawer Printers Chest; Wood Oval Mirror Wall Mount for Hats & Coats; Pedestal Plant Stand; Oak Ice Box; French Telephone; Wood Wall Mount Letter Holder; Asst. Oval Bubble Picture & Frames; Beveled Glass Mirror w/Frames; Large Asst. Ornate Mirrors w/Frames; 2 Counter Top Spool & Embroidered Cabinets; Toledo Scale For Measuring Cream Cans; Asst. Cast Iron Dutch Ovens, 2 Griswold Skillets & Large Iron Skillets; Metal & Wooden Serving Trays; Transit Survey Equipment; 3 Gal. Brown Crock w/Wood Lid, Salt, Brown Jug & 6 Gal. UHL Pottery Crock; Ornate Bed Head Boards; Iron Baby Bed; Steel Beds & Rails; Large Printers Cabinets; Wood Wall Mount Shaving Cabinet w/Mirror; Wood Dry Sink; Wood Wash Stand; Cabinet w/Spool Legs; Bookcase; Kitchen Cupboard; Walnut Rope Bed; Asst. Vintage Chair Frames; Soft Ball Bats; Treadle Sewing Machine; Seth Thomas Mantle Clocks; Asst. Milk Glass Lamps; Pink Chamber Pot; Wooden Boxes; Antique Games Parcheesi, Card Board Games, Double Six Dominoes, Movie Trivia & Bicycle Playing Cards, Charlie Chaplin Cards just to mention a few; Billboard Signs; Buffet & Chest of Drawers; Tea Table; Fire Place Tools; Straight Edge Razors; Large Asst. Antique Hardware & Doors; Meat Saws & Cleavers; 2 Hand Scythe; Medicine Bottles; Ornate Victorian Lady Picture; Complete Universal #4 Metal Bread Maker Bucket; Asst. Brass & Copper Figurines; Old Ornate Door; Umbrella Stand; Asst. Famous Paintings & Books; Wood Pop & Fruit Creates; Wood Laundry Rack; Arizona Magazine; Printers Alphabet; Set Spice Tin Box; Christmas Garland & Decorations; Christmas Santa Clause's & Holiday Decorations; Mickey Mouse Billboard Sign; Asst. Leather Straps; Sterling Silver Hand Mirror; Antique Paper Goods, Advertising, Books & Magazines; XL Asst. Antique Books, Children's Books, Poster's & Prints; Pine Butcher- ing Blocks; Lamp Bases & Rewiring Equipment; Chest w/Rewiring Equipment; Fireplace Air Bellows; Large Asst. Comic Paper "Papa Who Pay's" Etc.; Brass Laundry Stomper; 1900's Army Shovel; Lamp Shades; Old Metal Butter Churn; XL Asst. Book's "The Road to Oregon", Night With Uncle Remus". Biography's Other too Numerous to mention; Ice Skates; Wood Coffee Grinder; Antique Metal Electric Sconce w/Porcelain Flowers; Ladies Beaded Purses Etc.; Salesmen's Sample of Silverware Box; Ornate Wood Carving From Furniture; Wood Lap Writing Box; Asst. Old Tins & Wood Boxes; Coleman Lantern; Foil Pictures; Asst. Shoe Stretchers; Mexican Lanterns; Wood & Glass Rolling Pens; Storage Cabinet w/Lamp Wiring Parts; Metal "Last Supper" Picture; Ornate Wood Jewelry

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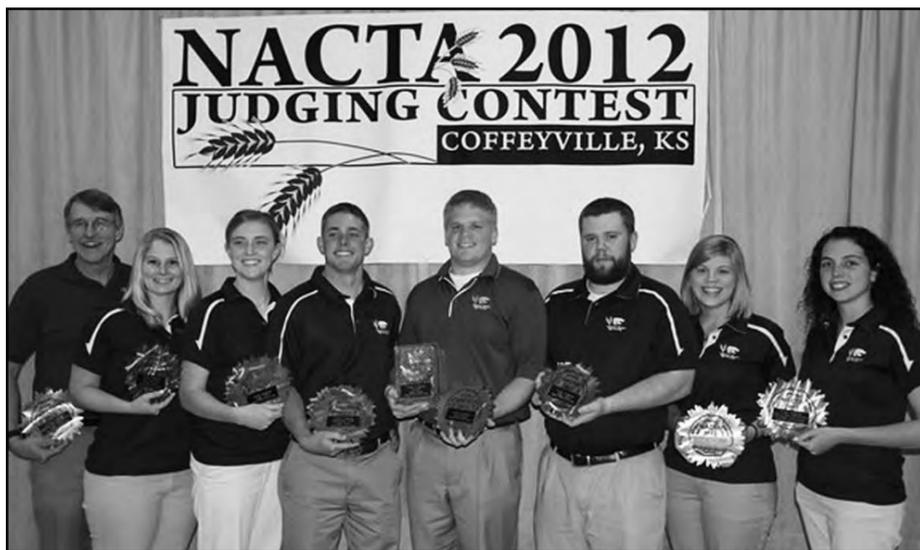
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The Kansas State University Crops Team took top honors at the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture national crops contest April 13. From left to right: Dr. Kevin Donnelly, coach; Lindsey Pollock, Blandinsville, IL; Kim Kerschen, Garden Plain, Kan.; Jared Kohls, Clearwater, Kan.; Bryson Haverkamp, Bern, Kan.; Jake Wyrill, Kirwin, Kan.; Jessie Zimmerman, Alta Vista, Kan.; Lauren Lang, Overbrook, Kan.

K-State Crops Team sweeps top honors in national contest

The Kansas State University Crops Team took first place in the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) national crops contest held April 13 at Coffeyville Community College in Coffeyville. K-State team members also took home the top four individual placings.

This was the fourth straight title in this contest for the K-State team, and the 11th in the past 14 years. A total of 19 teams competed, nine in the four-year division and ten in the two-year division.

The contest consists of four components: laboratory practical, agronomic exam, math practical and plant and seed identification. The K-State team placed first in all four sections. In the laboratory practical, competitors identify insects, diseases, crop products, and equipment, plus determine crop growth stages, interpret pesticide labels or seed tags, name plant structures, evaluate crop pro-

duction problems, and describe soil properties.

The agronomic exam evaluated knowledge of crop production and management, crop physiology and breeding, soil properties, soil fertility, tillage, crop harvesting and storage, weeds, insects and diseases. The math practical section includes equipment calibration and other agronomic calculations. Seed and plant identification requires contestants to learn more than 250 plant and seed samples.

Students competing on the K-State team are all seniors majoring in agronomy. The team members with top five individual placings were: Jared Kohls, Clearwater, first place overall, first in lab, identification and exam, and third in math; Bryson Haverkamp, Bern, second overall, first in math, third in lab practical, and fourth in identification; Jake Wyrill, Kirwin, third overall, second in math, third in exam, fourth in

lab, and fifth in identification; and Kim Kerschen, Garden Plain, fourth overall, second in lab and identification, and fourth in exam.

Alternates competing were: Jessie Zimmerman, Alta Vista; Lauren Lang, Overbrook; and Lindsey Pollock, Blandinsville, IL. Zimmerman was sixth overall, third in identification and fourth in math; Lang was ninth overall and fifth in lab; and Pollock finished twelfth overall. Kevin Donnelly, professor of agronomy, served as coach for the team. Assistant coaches were senior agronomy majors Levi Larkins, Belvue, and Scott Henry, Goff.

Iowa State University was the second place team followed by the University of Minnesota-Crookston. In the two year division, Hutchinson Community College was first, Eastern Oklahoma State College was second, and Cloud County Community College placed third.



Butler students display their trophies after winning several champion and reserve champion titles as well as being named Sweepstakes Champions among two-year schools.

Butler agriculture students take NACTA prizes at competition

Over the course of three days, 35 Butler Community College agriculture students competed in 11 different competitions, each showcasing a different area of agriculture, as part of the NACTA (North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture) 2012 Judging Conference/Contest held in Coffeyville this year.

"One of my students referred to NACTA as being like the Olympics of agricultural education, and I'd say it's a pretty good analogy," said Elissa Mullinix, lead ag instructor. "In many cases the students were learning new skills to complement their existing knowledge base."

Of the events Butler competed in, students took home overall championship titles in five areas, including Livestock Judging. They also garnered another three reserve champion titles in three contests. Their overall

results were as follows:

Ag Communications-Champion Team; Meats Judging-Champion Team; Dairy Judging-Champion Team; Livestock Management-Champion Team; Livestock Judging-Champion Team; Ag Computers-Reserve Champion Team; Horse Judging-Reserve Champion Team; Ag Knowledge Bowl-Reserve Champion Team; Ag Business-3rd Place Team; Horticulture-4th Place Team.

Schools participating in at least seven contests were also eligible for the Sweepstakes Contest. The Butler crew was named the Sweepstakes Champions among two-year schools. They were also branded the Overall Sweepstakes Champions with a total score higher than that of the four-year Sweepstakes Champion.

"Since we hadn't competed before, we sure didn't know what to expect,"

Mullinix said. "Ultimately, we found that the best preparation for NACTA happens every day in the classes that we teach. Our students were more than ready to compete."

Now Butler ag students are planning and preparing to defend this national title next year as the competition moves to Lubbock, Texas.



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COWS		BULLS		HEIFERS	
White City, blk	1030@89.00	Junction City, rwf	1450@75.00	Hillsboro, 9 mix	861@138.25
Woodbine, blk	1110@86.00	Lost Springs, blk	1905@73.25	Marion, 59 mix	870@137.50
White City, bwf	1200@82.75	Wichita, blk	1290@73.00	Herington, 12 mix	833@135.35
Wichita, blk	1205@81.50	Hope, blk	1645@72.00	Wilsey, 9 rwf	816@130.50
White City, blk	1160@81.00			Wilsey, 6 hwl	697@97.50
Hope, blk	1295@81.00	Salina, blk	2010@103.00	Hope, 8 blk	433@178.00
White City, blk	1275@80.50	White City, blk	1800@101.50	Tampa, 3 mix	482@170.00
Junction City, rwf	1320@80.50	Salina, wf	2395@95.00	Marion, 2 mix	353@166.50
White City, red	1330@80.00			Tampa, 4 mix	386@165.50
Marion, blk	1560@79.25	STEERS		Hope, 15 blk	500@160.50
White City, bmf	1400@78.00	Tampa, 3 mix	432@200.00	Herington, 2 blk	513@159.50
Hillsboro, blk	1640@77.00	Marion, 3 red	360@189.00	Marion, 4 bwf	523@158.00
Lost Springs, bmf	1340@76.75	Herington, 2 blk	510@184.00	Wilsey, 6 blk	563@156.00
Lost Springs, bwf	1385@76.25	Tampa, 3 mix	482@170.00	Woodbine, 9 blk	599@152.75
Herington, blk	1200@76.00	Hope, 3 blk	662@165.50	Wilsey, 6 blk	632@149.75
White City, blk	1205@76.00	Herington, 6 blk	665@155.50	Herington, 6 blk	646@146.50
Woodbine, bmf	1495@76.00	Hope, 5 blk	629@151.00	Woodbine, 7 mix	738@139.75
Woodbine, bwf	1345@75.25	Hope, 61 mix	761@148.10	Woodbine, 28 mix	784@133.25
Hope, bwf	1115@75.00	Wilsey, 63 mix	854@141.75	Herington, 58 mix	897@127.50
		Ramona, 65 blk	816@141.25		

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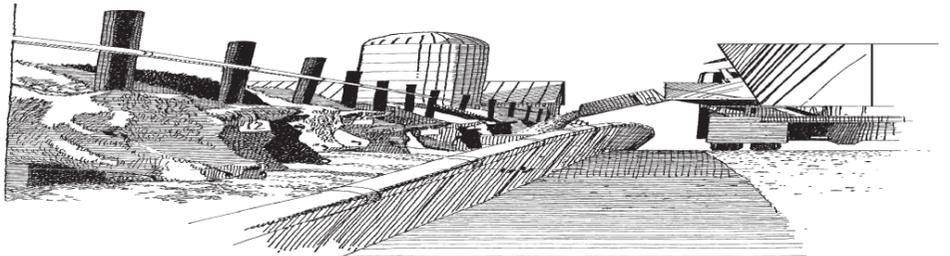
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600-700	\$172.00-\$180.50		
700-800	\$153.00-\$160.00		
800-900	\$129.00-\$137.85		
900-1000	\$126.00-\$135.00		
HEIFERS			
300-400	\$176.00-\$187.00		
400-500	\$176.00-\$186.00		
500-600	\$164.00-\$172.00		
600-700	\$146.00-\$153.50		
700-800	\$130.00-\$138.25		
800-900	\$130.00-\$134.00		
900-1000	No Test		
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SOWS			
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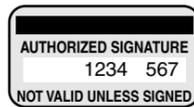
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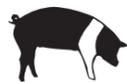
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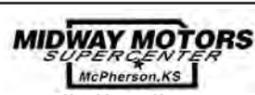
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Sen. Moran proposes language to protect rural post offices; bill passed by U.S. Senate

The U.S. Senate recently passed S. 1789, the 21st Century Postal Service Act of 2012, legislation to help preserve the soundness of the U.S. Postal Service (USPS). The bill includes language that expands upon an amendment originally proposed by U.S. Sen. Jerry Moran (R-Kan.) to make certain rural communities are not forgotten as USPS restructures. Action is now required by the U.S. House of Representatives before the bill can be signed by the President and the provisions take effect.

“The postal reform bill will provide USPS with flexibility to restructure and save billions of dollars – while preventing taxpayer dollars from being used for a bailout.” Moran said. “I am very pleased the bill passed by the Senate expands on critical language I successfully had adopted in committee to provide an answer to the question so many Kansans have been asking: ‘What do we have to do to save our post office?’ Once passed by the House and signed into law the language will help protect rural post offices by defining a structure for

what the Postal Service must consider as it conducts the individual post office feasibility studies – and stops the closure of any post offices until that happens. I am hopeful the House will consider this bill in a timely fashion.”

Prior to passage of S. 1789, and as part of a plan to bring the Postal Service to more solid financial footing, the Postmaster General announced that USPS was considering the closure of more than 3,600 post offices nationwide – many of those in rural communities. One hundred and thirty four of those post offices are in Kansas. S. 1789 will require USPS to set minimum standards of service and alternatives to closure that must be considered prior to closing any post office. These include:

- Geography, including distance to other postal services and maximum time a customer should be expected to travel;
- Population, including density and age demographics; and
- A requirement to serve remote areas, as well as communities with trans-

portation challenges such as inclement weather or natural geographic obstacles.

Once signed into law, the language will prevent the closure of any post offices, including those in Kansas, until those standards are in place and are considered in each case. The bill also requires USPS to consider alternatives to closure prior to closing any post office, such as reducing the number of hours the post office is open, or procuring a contract to provide retail postal services in an alternative establishment such as the local hardware or grocery store.

The Postal Regulatory Commission has found that maintaining rural post offices only amounts to 0.7 percent of the Postal Service’s budget. Therefore, reducing service to rural communities will have little benefit to the USPS’ bottom line while bringing much hardship to rural communities.

Moran is a member of the U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, which has jurisdiction over the Postal Service.

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Senate Ag Committee completes 2012 Farm Bill mark-up

The Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry approved its version of the 2012 Farm Bill in a 16 to five vote.

The bill, formally known as the Agriculture Reform, Food and Jobs Act, will now move to the Senate floor for debate, which has reportedly been promised by Senate majority leader Harry Reid (D-Nev.), likely within the next few weeks.

The Congressional Budget Office (CBO) scored the manager's amendment offered at the outset of the mark-up as saving \$24.7 billion over 10 years.

That version of the bill replaced the existing direct and counter cyclical ACRE and SURE programs with an enhanced crop insurance package supplemented by a new Agriculture Risk Coverage (ARC) program to partially offset revenue losses between 89 percent and 79 percent of benchmark revenue. The existing non-recourse marketing loan program was maintained.

An amendment from Sen. Max Baucus (D-Mont.) restored a streamlined definition of "benchmark revenue" as included in the chairwoman's original mark. This means the ARC program's benchmark revenue would be based on the five-year Olympic average of individual yield or county yield times the five-year Olympic average of the five-month national average market price received by producers.

Program payments would be paid on a capped planted acres level, 65 percent for those opting for individual farm coverage, and 85 percent for those opting for county-level coverage.

With either option, payments would be made based on 45 percent of acres in instances where weather prevents planting.

The manager's amendment also created a special rule for rice and peanut prices; reduced the adjusted gross income (AGI) cap to \$750,000; redefined what qualifies a producer as "actively engaged"; and reauthorized the U.S. Wheat and Barley Scab Initiative

(USWBSI).

A substitute energy title, proposed by Sen. Kent Conrad (D-N.D.) and Sen. Dick Lugar (R-Ind.), was adopted at the mark-up. It would convert existing and new energy program monies from discretionary funds, which must be allocated each year, to mandatory funds. Funding for the Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP), which helps producers seeking to pro-

vide feedstock for cellulosic ethanol, was increased to \$38 million in each fiscal year, for a total of \$152 million over the life of the farm bill.

Numerous amendments were introduced and withdrawn at the mark-up, including one from Baucus to clarify payment terms for sales to Cuba; one from Sen. Kirsten Gillibrand (D-N.Y.)

allocating money within USDA for "classical" breeding; and one from Sen. Saxby Chambliss (R-Ga.) to allow changes to immigration policy related to farm workers.

The mark-up was originally scheduled for Wednesday but delayed following concerns from members related to the farm safety net revisions outlined in the

original mark from chairwoman Debbie Stabenow (D-Mich.) and ranking member Pat Roberts (R-Kan.).

Five senators ultimately declined to support the bill, including Chambliss; Gillibrand; Sen. Thad Cochran (R-Miss.); Sen. John Boozman (R-Ark.); and Sen. Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), who voted by proxy.



McCurry Miss Wix 9081 won grand champion cow-calf pair at the 2012 Western Regional Junior Angus Show, April 21 in Reno, Nev. Jackson Wingert, Ottawa, owns the October 2009 daughter of Marands M-W Assassin 518. A September 2011 heifer calf sired by S A V Final Answer 0035 completes the winning pair. Kurt Thomas, Wolfforth, Texas, evaluated the 159 entries.

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R&L CH Miss Q9 0069 won reserve grand champion bred-and-owned female at the 2012 Western Regional Junior Angus Show, April 21 in Reno, Nev. Cale Hinrichsen, Westmoreland, owns the November 2010 daughter of S A V Bismarck 5682. She first won intermediate champion. Kurt Thomas, Wolfforth, Texas, evaluated the 159 entries.

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MARYSVILLE	7 XBRD HFR	577@151.25	35 BLK STRS/HFRS 500-650# WV HR		
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Department of Labor withdraws proposed rules affecting youth in agriculture

After many months of letter-writing and website campaigning, the agriculture community received welcome news on April 26. The Department of Labor officially withdrew their proposed rule that dealt with youth working in agriculture, instead saying they would work with groups such as FFA and 4-H to develop educational programs to promote safety.

"If the Department would have moved forward with regulating the relationship between parents and children on their own farm, a dangerous precedent would have

been set; virtually nothing would be off limits when it comes to government intrusion into our lives," said Sen. Jerry Moran in a statement released after the announcement. "For generations, the contributions of young people have helped family farm and ranch operations survive and prosper. If this proposal had gone into effect, not only would the shrinking rural workforce have been further reduced, and our nation's youth deprived of valuable career training opportunities, but a way of life would have begun to disappear. This is a tremendous victory for farmers and

ranchers across the country."

Last year, DOL Secretary Hilda Solis proposed rules that would restrict family farm operations by prohibiting youth under the age of 16 from participating in common livestock practices such as vaccinating and hoof trimming, and handling most animals more than six months old, which would severely limit participation in 4-H and FFA activities and restrict their youth farm safety classes; operating farm machinery over 20 PTO horsepower; completing tasks at elevations over six feet high; and working at stockyards

and grain and feed facilities.

Last December Moran and 29 of his Senate colleagues sent a letter to Solis requesting that the proposed rule be withdrawn. Moran had also invited Solis to Kansas to see firsthand what youth involved in agriculture actually looks like.

In March of this year, Moran and U.S. Sen. John Thune (R-S.D.) introduced legislation, the Preserving America's Family Farm Act, to prevent the Department of Labor (DOL) from enacting its controversial proposed restrictions on youth working on family farms.

"We were prepared to keep these regulations from taking place legislatively," Moran said.

A website, www.keepfamiliesfarming.com, was launched and people were encouraged to leave comments about how the proposed rule would affect their ability to run their farming operations and teach their chil-

dren the necessary skills and work ethic. According to Moran, there were about 8,000 visits to the site from every state in the nation.

"This is a victory not only for farmers and ranchers in Kansas, but for common sense in this country. Nobody cares more about a child's safety than a mom and dad," Moran said.



Sankeys Justified 101 won reserve grand champion bull at the 2012 Western National Angus Futurity (WNAF) Super Point Roll of Victory (ROV) Show, April 22-23 in Reno, Nev. Chris & Sharon Sankey, Council Grove, and Foster Campbell II, Bossier City, La., own the January 2011 son of Sankeys Lazer 609 of 6N. He first won early junior calf champion. Kevin Jensen, Courtland, evaluated the 181 entries.

Photo by Shelia Stannard, American Angus Association.

Record attendance expected for Kansas Wheat Tour, May 1-3

By Bill Spiegle

The wheat industry will get its first look at the Hard Red Winter wheat crop during the Hard Wheat Quality Tour, sponsored by the Wheat Quality Council.

The group will depart Manhattan May 1, travel 4,000 miles in four different pre-determined routes throughout Kansas, and conclude the tour May 3 at the Kansas City Board of Trade, where the participants will reveal an average production estimate for the 2012 Kansas wheat crop.

The annual Wheat Quality Tour is an educational and networking opportunity for those involved, says Justin Gilpin, chief executive officer of the Kansas Wheat Commission and Kansas Association of Wheat Growers. "The tour is widely known for bringing together all segments of the wheat industry, where it all begins: in the field, with farmers."

At more than 100 participants, this year's tour is one of the largest in recent memory, featuring representatives from government agencies and the milling and baking indus-

tries, plus farmers, journalists, retail organizations, state wheat association staff members, plus specialists from K-State Research and Extension. At the conclusion of each day, the participants evaluate what they've seen in the state's wheat fields; a wrap-up session at the Kansas City Board of Trade will forecast the yield of the 2012 crop.

The 2012 crop is at a pivotal juncture. It is at least two weeks ahead of schedule, and the yield looks promising. However, long-term drought stress is beginning to appear in western Kansas, and much of the crop has been challenged by foliar diseases. Overall, however, the crop is rated mostly good to excellent, based on the April 23 Kansas Crop Statistics Weekly Crop Report.

Ben Hancock, director of the Wheat Quality Council, says the tour gives the entire wheat chain an understanding of the crop.

"We're teaching all these participants what it takes to grow a wheat crop in the United States, from how much money is required to grow a crop, to

the risks involved," he explains. "Many of the tour participants deal with wheat or wheat-related issues in their professions, yet they may not have ever seen a field of wheat. This tour provides a great opportunity for them to gain a greater understanding of the industry."

More than 500 stops will be made at locations throughout the state, and yield estimates taken using a formula developed by the National Ag Statistics Service. Participants gain a firsthand understanding of what it takes for farmers to grow, manage, harvest and market

the crop. Many foreign buyers of Kansas wheat will participate, giving those folks a chance to see the high quality of the Kansas crop, Hancock says.

The Wheat Quality Council aims to improve the quality of all U.S. wheat varieties and act as an information conduit between wheat breeders and millers and bakers. It sponsors an additional tour of Hard Spring and Durum wheat throughout North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota.

For daily Wheat Tour updates, visit www.the-wheatbeat.wordpress.com

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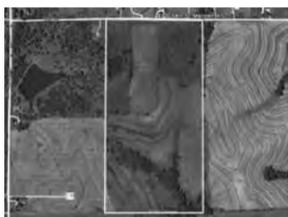
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Where: Brookville City Hall,

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Seller: Watters Heirs

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Land Location: Tract I is located 2 miles north on Brookville Rd and Cloud St. Tract II is south of Brookville, KS. Water Well Rd. runs south of this tract and is located east of sewage ponds.

Land Description: Tract I: 156 acres all pasture with pond and fence. N2NE4 & SW4 of NE4 & NE4 NW4 28-14-5, Saline Co. Kansas in the Spring Creek 'N' Township. Tract II: 21.5 Acre farm south of railroad right of way in S2 3-15-5, Saline Co. Kansas in the Spring Creek 'S' Township. 18.06 acres cropland.

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National Festival of Breads to land in the Little Apple

America's only amateur bread baking contest will make its home in Manhattan on June 22, 2013. The National Festival of Breads, sponsored by King Arthur Flour, Fleischmann's Yeast and the Kansas Wheat Commission, celebrates the relationship between farmer and consumer and highlights the art of baking bread at home.

The biennial competition, which seeks the best bread recipes from home bakers throughout the United States, is adding a Youth Category to this year's contest that is open to amateur youth bakers ages 12 to 17 from all over the nation. The adult competition is open to amateur home bakers ages 18 and up.

"Baking is an activity that can be used at all ages for positive experiences, learning and a feeling of accomplishment," says Cindy Falk, nutrition educator at the Kansas Wheat Commission, and contest coordinator.

Adult competition categories include Ethnic Breads, Rolls, Time-Saving Breads, and Whole Grain Breads. Judges will vet all entries and select eight adult finalists, each of whom will receive airfare to and accommodations in Manhattan, to participate in national competition events June

20-22, 2013.

In addition to the eight adult finalists' awards, four special awards will also be given for the best recipes using particular ingredients such as white whole wheat flour, cranberries and raisins. Each special award winner will receive a \$500 cash prize.

Youth categories will include Rolls and Whole Grain Breads. One Youth Grand Prize Winner will be selected from the entries and will receive an invitation for them and a guardian to attend the National Festival of Breads to demonstrate their winning recipe.

"Inspiring youth to bake can foster future generations of home bakers," says Falk. "These youth bakers can then pass on their baking skills as a service to local schools, communities and clubs."

Contest finalists will bake their recipes onsite in Manhattan on Saturday, June 22, 2013. Judging will be based on taste, originality, ease of preparation, healthfulness, and appearance. In addition, each finalist will receive a \$500 cash award, as well as a Wheat Harvest Tour in the Heartland and a visit to a working Kansas wheat farm, flour mill and grain elevator on Friday, June 21.

One adult contestant will emerge as the 2013

National Festival of Breads champion and earn a prize package worth nearly \$5,000, including cash, an expense paid trip to a King Arthur Flour Baking Education Center in Norwich, Vermont and a year's supply of Fleischmann's Yeast.

Beginning Sept. 1, 2012, amateur bakers can begin submitting original recipes to www.nationalfestivalofbreads.com. A secure, easy-to-use form is available for bakers to enter recipes online; submissions will not be accepted by mail, fax, e-mail or phone. Original bread recipes must be submitted using the online entry form by 11:59 p.m. (CT) on Thursday, January 31, 2013. No purchase is necessary to enter or win.

K-State Beef Cattle and Forage Crops Field Day to be held May 3

Kansas State University's Southeast Agricultural Research Center will host the 2012 Beef Cattle and Forage Crops Field Day at the center's Mound Valley Unit on Thursday, May 3. The unit is located 2 1/2 miles west of Mound Valley on U.S. Highway 160 (formerly K-96 Highway), then 1/4 mile south on Elk Road.

The day begins with coffee, donuts and registration from 8:30-9 a.m., and features presentations by K-State specialists, as well as industry displays.

Presentations and speakers include:

Weather 2011-2012, What's the Pattern? - Mary Knapp, K-State climatologist;

KSU Beef Stocker Unit Research Update - Anna

Siverson, K-State graduate student and Dale Blasi, K-State Research and Extension beef specialist;

Pasture Weed and Brush Control Update - Doug Shoup, K-State Extension crops and soils specialist;

Getting the Most from Bermudagrass - Joe Moyer, forage agronomist, K-State SE Agricultural Research Center; and

Grazing Steer Performance from Tall Fescue Infected with Nontoxic En-

dophyte - Lyle Lomas, animal scientist and head, K-State Southeast Agricultural Research Center.

Lunch will be provided, courtesy of various companies that will have exhibits available. In case of rain, the field day will be held indoors.

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12	528		
11	523		
6	606		
9	637		
12	659		
65	829		
24	782		
23	773		
49	853		
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- 10 wf str.....300-450 lbs.Weaned, vacc.
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3	483	7	519
7	551		
8	544		
10	585		
5	633		
8	700		
2	750		

Butcher Cow Top was 1,290 lbs. @ \$91.75

Butcher Bull Top was 1,725 lbs. @ \$106.50

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- 7 hfrs@550#\$161.00
- 2 hfrs@525#\$160.00
- 4 hfrs@600#\$160.00
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- 2 str@315#\$211.00
- 3 str@410#\$199.00
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Is it cost-effective to bale your own hay?

The greening of pastures and the rising of temperatures have led ruminant-livestock owners to start thinking about the upcoming haying season.

"Because hay is a relatively inexpensive feed when grass is unavailable, many livestock owners want to produce hay for the winter from the abundance of grass that their pastures yield in the spring," said Whitney Wiegel, University of Missouri Extension agriculture business specialist.

Some farmers own and operate their own hay equipment. Others use a custom baler or purchase hay.

"To evaluate the cost-effectiveness of owning and operating hay equipment, a livestock owner needs several pieces of information," Wiegel said. "First, he needs to know his costs of both owning and operating a fleet of hay machinery."

Machinery ownership costs include depreciation, insurance, interest and property taxes.

"These costs depend upon the market value of the equipment, how each equipment purchase is financed, insurance costs and property tax rates," he said. "Machinery ownership costs are often prohibitive when equipment is not used to its full capacity or when the hay produced has little value."

Machinery ownership costs are relatively fixed in the short run, meaning that no matter how much hay is baled, ownership costs do not change for the hay enterprise. But when calculating production costs for each unit of hay produced, these costs are spread out over all units of production. "Therefore, the situation of owning hay equipment is made more favorable when the volume of hay produced with the equipment can be increased," Wiegel said.

Operating costs also affect the cost-effectiveness of baling hay. Operating costs include labor, fuel, maintenance and repairs due to equipment use.

"These costs are considered variable costs because the cumulative dollar value of these expenses will vary with the quantity of hay baled," he said. Like ownership costs, these costs are, theoretically, spread across all units of production.

"Dividing the total ownership and operating cost by the units of hay baled provides a dollar value that signifies the ownership and operating costs embodied in each unit of hay," he said.

After calculating the machinery ownership and operating costs per unit of hay, producers can compare their costs to the going custom rate for hay baling.

"When a hay producer's machinery ownership and operating costs are less than the custom rate, it is cost-effective for the hay producer to bale his own hay," Wiegel said. "When his costs are greater than the custom rate, he should consider hiring a custom baler."



Yard & Garden Tips

By Gregg Eyestone

Asparagus or Bean?

The up and down temperatures have been interesting on planting our vegetable garden. I believe we have reached the time to plant beans. There are numerous beans to choose from. Snap, Lima, pole, wax, shell and asparagus are a few.

This year at the county fair, the 4-H'ers are growing the longest asparagus or yard long bean. It can be considered a pole bean and for a nice long straight bean will need to be grown on a pole or trellis. The flavor is referred to as a combination of asparagus, mushroom and bean.

Beans are a warm-season crop. They can be planted now through the early part of August. You can have a continuous supply by planting at intervals through the summer. I prefer the late planting to get wonderful-tasting beans that mature under cool fall temperatures. The first crop of the year can be delightful, as well.

Seeds are planted an inch deep. Pole beans like Kentucky Blue or Wonder or Blue Lake are spaced 6 to 12 inches apart. Bush-forming beans can be spaced three to five inches apart. Contender, Provider, Strike, Xera and bush Blue Lake are a few good snap bean varieties.

"Plant them and they will come" is a true statement for bean leaf beetles. I can't remember a year I didn't have them or Mexican bean beetles. They look like lady bugs but eat holes in the leaves and nibble on the bean pods. Surprisingly, beans keep producing with what appears to be little leaf remaining. Growing beans well is the first phase of managing problems. Plant

them in well-drained soil that gets all day sunlight. Bean production is reduced by weed competition. Keep them in check. A supply of nitrogen for the beans during their growth is more beneficial than using a nitrogen fixing inoculation.

Planting beans can be a great first time crop for adults and youth. The large seed is easy to work with. You could use the

beans to grow your own bean sprouts.

If you would like additional information on a horticulture topic, please contact Gregg Eyestone at the Riley County office of K-State Research and Extension. Gregg may be contacted by calling 537-6350 or stopping by 110 Courthouse Plaza in Manhattan or e-mail: geyestone@ksu.edu and at www.riley.ksu.edu

Grass & Grain Weather Report

May 1, 2012

Seven Day Forecast	In-Depth Local Forecast	Today's Local Outlook																																																
TUESDAY Scat'd T-storms High: 78 Low: 63	Today we will see partly cloudy skies with a 40% chance of showers and thunderstorms, high temperature of 78°, humidity of 61%. The record high temperature for today is 94° set in 1989. Expect partly cloudy skies tonight with a 30% chance of showers and thunderstorms, overnight low of 63°.	Washington 77/62 Blue Rapids 77/62 Seneca 77/62																																																
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Sell At St. Marys

Sell Or Buy

Cattle

By Auction

STARTING TIME 11:30 AM

Tuesdays

We sold 996 cattle April 24. There was good demand for steer and heifer calves which sold steady to \$3.00 higher. Feeder steers and heifers were \$1.00-3.00 lower. Cows and bulls sold on a steady market.

STEER & BULL CALVES		HEIFER CALVES	
7 blk str	411 @ 215.50	1 blk hfr	235 @ 188.00
1 blk str	430 @ 206.00	2 blk hfrs	390 @ 182.00
6 blk/char str	433 @ 205.00	9 blk hfrs	371 @ 175.00
13 blk str	372 @ 202.50	6 blk hfrs	448 @ 175.00
3 blk str	377 @ 202.00	8 bwf/blk hfrs	456 @ 175.00
3 blk str	348 @ 199.00	6 bwf/blk hfrs	443 @ 173.50
2 blk/red str	438 @ 198.00	1 bwf hfr	330 @ 173.00
5 blk bulls	462 @ 196.00	5 blk hfrs	376 @ 172.00
6 blk str	485 @ 195.00	1 blk hfr	380 @ 171.00
2 blk/red str	398 @ 191.00	4 blk hfrs	433 @ 171.00
5 blk str	515 @ 190.00	2 bwf/blk hfrs	450 @ 170.00
2 blk bulls	410 @ 187.00	7 bwf/blk hfrs	497 @ 164.50
1 blk str	505 @ 186.00	12 blk/red hfrs	543 @ 164.00
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5 bwf/wf bulls	387 @ 185.00		
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4 wf bulls	306 @ 177.00		
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4 wf bulls	374 @ 171.00		
STOCKER & FEEDER STEERS		COWS & HEIFERETTES	
5 bwf/blk str	558 @ 194.00	1 blk hfrt	900 @ 96.00
3 bwf/blk str	553 @ 190.00	1 blk cow	1370 @ 93.25
7 blk str	580 @ 186.00	1 blk cow	870 @ 93.00
2 blk str	583 @ 186.00	1 blk cow	1360 @ 91.75
11 blk/red str	580 @ 183.00	1 blk cow	1065 @ 91.00
1 sim str	590 @ 179.00	1 blk cow	1380 @ 90.50
1 x-bred str	625 @ 172.50	1 blk cow	1310 @ 90.00
5 blk/red str	644 @ 163.50	1 blk cow	1030 @ 89.75
		1 blk cow	1370 @ 89.00

3 bwf/blk hfrs	495 @ 162.00	1 blk cow	1135 @ 88.75
1 red hfr	525 @ 154.00	1 blk cow	1365 @ 88.00
1 blk hfr	520 @ 150.00	1 blk cow	1160 @ 86.75
2 wf/bwf hfrs	488 @ 145.00	1 x-bred cow	1570 @ 85.50

4 blk hfrs	592 @ 163.25	1 char cow	1415 @ 85.00
7 blk hfrs	579 @ 151.50	1 blk cow	1140 @ 84.50
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4 blk/char hfrs	620 @ 140.50	2 wf cows	1313 @ 83.50
2 x-bred hfrs	615 @ 136.00	1 blk cow	1095 @ 83.00
69 mix hfrs	811 @ 130.00	1 blk cow	1470 @ 82.50
2 blk hfrs	825 @ 128.50	1 wf cow	1345 @ 82.00
2 char hfrs	848 @ 128.00	1 bwf cow	1535 @ 81.50
8 x-bred hfrs	741 @ 126.25	1 blk cow	1525 @ 81.00
5 blk/red hfrs	797 @ 126.00	1 blk cow	1245 @ 80.50
2 blk hfrs	858 @ 125.50	1 red cow	1410 @ 80.00
7 blk hfrs	921 @ 119.00	1 char cow	1340 @ 79.50
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CONSIGNMENTS FOR MAY 1:

- 25 black steers & heifers, 400-500 lbs.
- 22 black steers & heifers, 550-600 lbs.
- 19 black steers & heifers, 500-550 lbs.
- 20 black steers & heifers, 500-600 lbs.
- 70 black crossbred heifers, 775-800 lbs.
- 61 black crossbred steers, 875-900 lbs.
- 120 black crossbred steers, 825-850 lbs.
- 120 black crossbred steers, 800-825 lbs.
- Yearling Horned Hereford bull, AI sired

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