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## Tiffany Cattle Company expands to better serve customers

By Donna Sullivan,  
Editor

For Shawn and Shane Tiffany of Tiffany Cattle Company near Herington, a core value of their operation is meeting the needs of their customers. Now entering their tenth year of business, their emphasis has always been on the relationships they build and the trust they have earned with their customers. So as their customer base continued to increase and they sometimes had to place customers on a waiting list for a couple of weeks until pens became available, they knew it was time for expansion.

"We've been discussing this for some time and started seriously considering it a year ago," Shawn said. "Shane and I have worked really hard to grow our business and our number one priority is to simply take care of our customers and provide them with a service that they want. When you have to tell somebody you can't accommodate them, that's a tough thing to do. Obviously this came at a considerable cost, so it was a big decision, but clearly I think it was a good one."

The project added 43 new pens and took the operation from a 15,000-head capacity to 19,000. In keeping with their commitment to support the local community, they partnered with area companies Hold 'Em Fence Company and Edwards Construction.

Stacy Edwards had been working for them throughout the summer doing maintenance and drainage work at the original portion of the feed yard. "That rolled straight into his company helping with the dirt work out here," said Shawn.

Yatchel Benedict of Hold 'Em Fence Company would be the lead on the expansion.

"We've done work with



Stacy Edwards of Edwards Construction is shown along with his son Treyman and Shawn Tiffany near the expansion project at Tiffany Cattle Company that added 4,000 head of capacity to the feed yard. Treyman, along with Rowdy Benedict, helped run the sheep's foot on the project when they weren't in school. Photo by Donna Sullivan

and for Yatchel and we get along very well," Edwards stated. "They're very professional, a very good company." Stacy's dad Jack started the construction business in 1967, and while they've moved dirt in many different locations and capacities, this was the first time they'd been involved with feed lot construction.

KLA Environmental Services, Inc., an entity of the Kansas Livestock Association, engineered the project, then the next step was to get approval from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, which presented certain hurdles. First was the separation distance, which states that anybody with a habitable structure within 4000 feet of a feed lot expansion must be in agreement for it to move forward. The only nearby resident had no objection to the project. The second was distance to groundwater, which was also not a problem; and lastly, their lagoon had to have enough capacity to control and contain the additional runoff, which it did. "We immediately resolved those and made sure they weren't going to be a game-stopper," Shawn said. That was followed by a 30-day public notice period, during which anyone with objections can make comments. "Typically you would want to go through that 30-day public notice period before you start construction in case there are any things that come up," he continued. "We chose, given the time of year and the need being imminent, to go ahead and start construction and resolve any conflicts that might have come up. Fortunately we have a very good reputation in our neighborhood and my brother and I have worked really

hard to maintain and keep those relationships healthy, so there weren't any comments whatsoever during the 30-day public notice."

Since they had gone ahead with construction, the pens were actually built and ready to populate about two weeks before the permit was even issued. "So we were sitting here with customers wanting to send cattle and we had the pens available, but we couldn't legally use them yet. So we had to just sit tight and wait," Shawn said.

But the permit came through on January 9 and they started putting cattle in the pens on January 11. A month later, the pens were all holding cattle. "We could have populated it quicker than a month," Shawn reflected. "But with animal health crews, you can only unload and process so much in a day. We couldn't overwork our guys, which is why we did string that out over a month."

Current market conditions have made retained ownership of cattle more profitable, which helped fill the extra pen space more quickly.

"We provide a service here and we're almost strictly custom," Shawn explained. "We're small enough that we can accommodate different market conditions, so if the market is saying customers need to go buy 5-weights and put them on feed and grow them, then sell them as a yearling, we can accommodate that. That was the case in 2013-14, but now we're full of finishing cattle. Calf prices have slumped to a point where it is more profitable for customers to go ahead and retain ownership of these calves, whether they bought them from the sale barn or they are from their own cow herd, and go ahead

and finish them out."

The pens were engineered and built with flexibility in mind, to allow them to respond to market signals and the needs of their customers. There is a water tank in every fence line and a gate in each corner of the pen, with a stub fence in the middle so the pens can be split. There are 23 new 140-head pens and 20 of them can be split with just a hot fence to be turned into two 70-head pens, which is perfect for the smaller operations. "This time of year especially, when calf crops are coming into the feed yard, we're having a lot of one-load lots," Shawn illustrated. "A 70-head pen is one load of feeders coming in and two loads of fat cattle going out, so it works really well to have that flexibility with just the switch of a gate in order to have a 140-head pen or two 70-head pens."

The expansion has solved the waiting list problem for this year, especially since it is now the time of year when placements begin to decrease. "The waiting list is a double-edged sword," Shawn admitted. "As a feed-lot operator, obviously we want to have full pens. The other side of that is, we want to be positioned and have the space to be able to accommodate customers when they call." While they've never had to actually turn a customer away, there are times when they might have to wait a week or two to send cattle in. "That's unique in the industry and a testament to a strong customer base, a great reputation and good relationships with packers that we work with in order to be able to get top dollar for our customers," Shawn said.

With the feed yard nearly full again, it raises the question if another expansion

make our guys more efficient in order to accommodate the additional cattle." They added a batch box, which increases the efficiency of the loader since he doesn't have to have a truck sitting there in order to load. Additional employees were also needed, one on the animal health side and one on the feeding and yard maintenance side.

"An expansion like this has a huge ripple effect and can be extremely beneficial for local and regional economies," Shawn said. "Not just for what it does in the end, but for what it does in the construction of it, as well. I'd say between Stacy's crew, Yatchel's crew and the other entities involved, there were probably as many as 30-40 men on this job in varying capacities."

Tiffany Cattle Company averages about 25 permanent employees at any given time. "The industry standard is one employee for every 1500 head," Shawn explained. "We're on the high side of that, but that's because we have a double stock grazing operation in the Flint Hills and we do a considerable amount of farming. We do a lot of things in-house that typically the industry out-sources. But we feel like we can get the job done number one, but two, provide some quality control for some of our inputs by raising it ourselves and doing some different things like that."

If running a feed yard and farming doesn't keep them busy enough, Shawn and Shane are also very outspoken advocates of agriculture. "In agriculture, we don't have anything to be ashamed of," Shawn pointed out. "There's reasons why we do things. There's economic, conservation and environmental reasons and all of them are valid. We've just got to tell our story and we've got to do it for ourselves because I don't have faith that somebody else can tell my story better than I can and I think that's true of all of us in agriculture."

### Kansas farm numbers lower according to NASS

Kansas's number of farms and ranches declined during 2016, according to USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The number of farms and ranches in the state, at 59,600, was down 800 farms from 2015. Numbers of farms and ranches in Kansas with less than \$100,000 in agricultural sales decreased 800 farms from the year earlier, while operations with more than \$100,000 in agricultural sales remained unchanged.

Land in farms and ranches in Kansas totaled 45.9 million acres, down 100 thousand acres from 2015. The average size of operation, at 770 acres, was up 8 acres from the year earlier.



## America's most admired

By John Schlageck, Kansas Farm Bureau  
Nobody likes us. Everyone's out to get us. We can't buy a break.

Don't believe it. It isn't so. Never has been and hopefully never will be.

Farmers and ranchers still rank at the top of America's most admired professions. This A-list is comprised of those who serve others, including firefighters, doctors, nurses, farmers and ranchers (who feed the world), police, teachers and engineers who build things.

And when the public thinks of agriculture – two words come to mind.

If you guessed "hard working" you're right. That's the ranking in a recent article in *Forbes*.

Across this country consumers believe farmers are

important. When people take the time to think about their importance, most agree farmers feed everyone. They'll tell you there isn't anybody who doesn't need farmers.

Other words used by consumers to describe farmers included necessary, good for society, honest, take care of the land, independent and good family values.

Americans also believe farmers are highly believable when speaking on farm-related issues. When asked if they would believe a farmer talking about the challenges of farming, nearly 90 percent said they would.

Farm wives were deemed even more believable than farmers. Depending on the topic, university researchers or scientists could be

just as believable as farmers while environmentalists and government officials rated less favorably.

Most consumers will tell you they believe farmers and ranchers choose their occupation based on the satisfaction it gives them, not the money they make. They also believe when faced with a decision between economics and doing the right thing, most farmers and ranchers would do what is right.

Today's American consumer also believes farmers have a high level of professional training and competency in agriculture. They also will tell you farmers care about food quality and safety. Nearly 80 percent of the public thought farmers and ranchers do an excellent job of taking care of their farm animals.

Believe it or not, depending on where you look or find information, two of every three people agree the use of land for agriculture is good for the environment. The public believes farmers take care of the land. Near-

ly half believe farmers and ranchers do an excellent or good job of taking care of the nation's water.

Don't listen to what the naysayers say. The public's image of farmers and ranchers remains strong. Overall, the public appreciates the jobs farmers are doing and they like hearing from them. That means farmers should take every opportunity to speak up about their profession.

Stand up for agriculture. Say what's on your mind and speak from the heart. American farmers and ranchers can help shape the message and mold the public image of their profession in their own likenesses, rather than having it molded for them by dictionary synonyms or advertising's stereotypical overalls and pitchforks.

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## Roberts: Senate approves Scott Pruitt to be EPA administrator

U.S. Sen. Pat Roberts, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry, said the Senate approved the nomination of Scott Pruitt to be administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

"I look forward to working with Administrator Pruitt," Roberts said. "He understands that while farmers and ranchers make their living off the land, they are also its best stewards."

"For years we have struggled with an EPA that was not only tone deaf to the needs and concerns of rural America, it was downright adversarial. Producers were burdened with overregulation, which left them feeling ruled, not governed."

"I am confident Pruitt will lead an EPA that is more respectful of agriculture and will work to restore the trust of farmers, ranchers, and rural Americans."

## Chinese national in Kansas convicted in engineered rice theft

(AP) – A Chinese national living in Manhattan is guilty of conspiring to steal proprietary rice seeds developed in the U.S. and giving

them to visitors from China.

A federal jury recently convicted 50-year-old Wei Qiang Zhang of conspiracy to steal trade secrets, conspiracy to commit interstate transportation of stolen property and interstate transportation of stolen property.

Zhang was a rice breeder for Ventria Bioscience in Junction City, which develops genetically engineered rice for use in therapeutic and medical fields.

Trial evidence indicated Zhang took hundreds of seeds from Ventria and stored them at his home in Manhattan. In 2013, officials with a crop research institute in China toured facilities in the Midwest with Zhang. Federal officials found Ventria seeds in the visitors' luggage as they prepared to return to China.

**People of accomplishment rarely sat back & let things happen to them. They went out & happened to things.**

--Leonardo Da Vinci



Once again, I am a day late and a dollar behind. Okay, so I am way more than a dollar behind and probably a couple of weeks late. Make that at least one week late in this case. Yes, in my planning columns and writing them I often don't factor in what the next week might be. I guess it is because often I am in survival mode and can't think past a day or two ahead. In any case, I missed writing about FFA Week.

Does that mean FFA is not important to me? Absolutely not. FFA has played a huge role in my life and I have seen it become very important in the life of my kids. I know official dress is really uncomfortable because the coat is too warm on some occasions and not nearly warm enough to be called a coat on others. However, I think it is one of the most recognizable and inspiring uniforms a high school student can wear. There is just something about the blue and gold that makes you feel important and gives a sense of pride.

I admit it, when it was decided that FFA no longer stood for Future Farmers of America, it bothered me. After all, what is the foundation of the organization and what does that make the letters stand for? Well, over the years I have come to understand the wisdom behind the move. The practical side of it says that the clear majority of the youth going through FFA will never be involved in production agriculture. We know how those numbers are shrinking and they will only continue to get smaller. We also know that agriculture is much more than the production side.

If you look at the rosters of any of our agricultural businesses, you will see FFA alumnus after FFA alumnus including those in the top positions. The skills and leadership our FFA members are learning and developing make them the best source of corporate and industry leadership available. I don't know how many employers I have had tell me over the years that they look for the former FFA and 4-H members first and that they have an edge over all other applicants because of the skills they have gained through their experience.

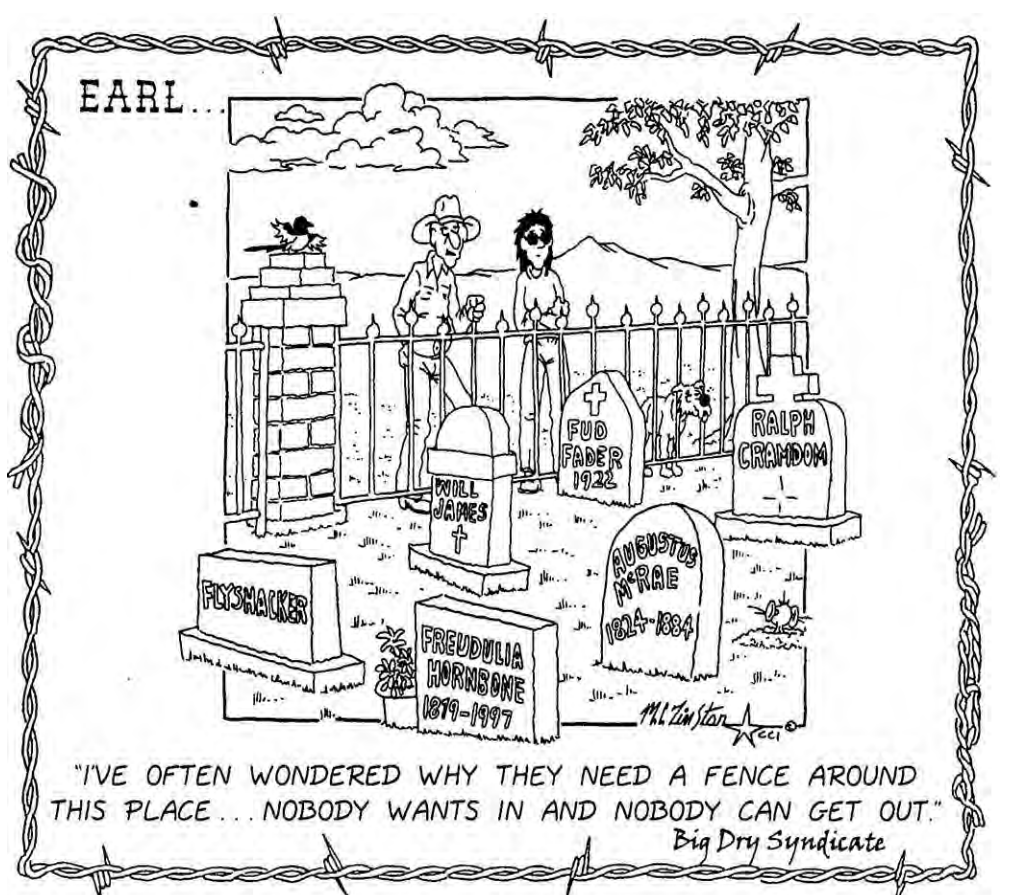
While the need for young people going into production agriculture may be limited (those opportunities are still there and will always be there) there is a huge demand for skilled and trained professionals in agriculture-related jobs. In changing the name and going

away from the label 'farmers,' the organization is recognizing and appreciating the need for and the contributions made by all professionals in all levels of agriculture. We are all in this together.

Even beyond farming and beyond agriculture, FFA has so much to offer. In the spirit of full disclosure, I must admit that I have spent most of my life working with FFA and 4-H and know very little about other similar organizations that high school youth can participate in. I know without a doubt that FFA gives youth the skills that will serve them well in the working world and lets them develop and practice those skills; skills like public speaking, record-keeping, decision-making, and all the technical knowledge in any given area of agriculture. However, in my humble opinion, the best and most important skill that is taught and practiced in FFA is leadership. That is the one special skill that makes FFA members stand out in a crowd. You can first see it in college. FFA members have the confidence and drive that send them to the front of the class. Again, look at the leadership of most of the student organizations in the college of agriculture and the leaders will often be 4-H and FFA alumni. Even beyond that a great percentage of the student body presidents at Kansas State have been former members. I promise it is no coincidence.

FFA has been such an important part of my life that during FFA Week I reflect on those experiences and my wish is that every youth could have a similar experience. Each year I marvel how many vocational ag programs are added to our high schools. While it is encouraging that we are adding, it still highlights how many high schools do not offer such a great opportunity for their students. Oh, I understand budgets and funding, but I will ask just one question of those districts. Do you still have sports?

Again, don't get me wrong, I am a believer in sports and the lessons that students learn in them also, but I am a bigger believer in FFA and the lifelong skills those students acquire. FFA is something everyone can participate in and excel. It is my hope that more districts will explore adding the programs and that those of us who have benefited from the program will continue to advocate for it. We need more blue and gold corduroy.



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## Congress starts farm bill talks; dairy revisions being discussed

U.S. dairy industry faced difficult economics in 2016 with dropping milk prices. However, many producers felt the government safety net in the 2014 farm bill did little to help.

As work starts on the 2018 farm bill, the House Agriculture Committee heard shortcomings of the present act and challenges of a farmer-friendly version.

Scott Brown, University of Missouri Extension dairy economist, testified Feb. 15 in Washington, D.C., before the committee in the House of Representatives.

Dairy policy is not easy, Brown testified. Estimates when forming the 2014 Dairy Margin Protection Program (MPP) did not work as planned.

MPP made a big shift in dairy policy. It went from the long-used price support to selling risk management on dairy farm margins between feed costs and milk income.

Dairy farmers familiar with milk prices didn't accept margin protection as expected. In 2016, they needed help and MPP paid very little.

Milk prices fell from \$24 per hundredweight in 2014 to \$16 in 2016.

Changes in global milk economy affected U.S. producers. Global milk supply grew while a strong U.S. dollar cut U.S. exports.

"Domestic milk supply

and strong dollar still face U.S. producers in 2017," Brown said.

Despite tough times, the U.S. dairy herd continues to grow. The recent cow count shows 48,000 cows were added in 2016. The dairy business changed from a time with mostly smaller herds. Small farms dropped out and re-entered more easily. Large modern dairies with high investments don't quit easily. If they do, someone buys them and takes the risk.

"It's increasingly difficult to cut U.S. milk supplies," Brown testified.

Current dairy farmers look for an alternative safety net. They disregard the current margin protection program. Offering real help in a time of tight federal budgets will be difficult. Brown used stronger words: "Extremely difficult." Meaningful federal protection plans can be expensive, he added. Dairy farm cash receipts can be volatile. Changes pop up unpredictably. U.S. dairy receipts dropped from \$49.3 billion in 2014 to \$34.2 billion in 2016. Working safety nets in the past took large public spending. In more recent years, the government spent only \$79 million. "Offsetting billion-dollar losses with \$79 million will be a challenge," Brown said. He added government programs rarely offset low-market returns.

MPP offered ranked levels of protection. The problem hit when few farmers bought protection above the lowest \$4 margin level, known as the catastrophic level. Few bought higher levels, not knowing the probability of any payment, Brown said. "Enrollment has been much lower than many estimated when the program became law in early 2014." With involvement low, government outlays have been low.

Of great help to dairy farmers has been a sharp drop in feed costs since 2014. That eased the cost side of margins as much as the enacted MPP. In an aside, Brown noted that dairy farmers who bought their feed, as in California, came out ahead of producers who grew their own feed, as in Wisconsin. Costs of growing corn remain high.

An adequate safety net for dairy farmers must remain part of federal dairy policy, Brown said. The government remains the largest source of risk management. In such a volatile business, the cost can go from zero to billions quickly.

"This makes scoring policy options difficult," Brown said. "Spreading risks across federal policy and market-based risk tools may be the answer." Also, dairy farmer focus should change from price support to risk management. "Producers

need help thinking through risk management," Brown said. Farms may be better served by high participation in margin protection. Economic studies show that premium payments even in times of no payoffs are more than offset by the 20 percent of time when payoffs occur.

"Modification is needed in future farm bills as debate continues toward passage," Brown said. "Better safety net for dairy farmers that can be embraced by all participants is needed in the dairy market."

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**Note:** This is a true barn find. Howard collected all of his life. This barn was totally full, there was only a small path to get in. The cars were inside until they were taken out to get ready for the auction. The last car in the door has a 1969 tag. There are many unusual items, and many of everything. This list is only a small part of what we have. On Friday, we will sell the small items on the trailers, Saturday, we will sell cars, buggy's, horse items, furniture and larger items. Both days will be large. This is an auction you have to see to believe. Check our web site for pictures at [www.thummelauction.com](http://www.thummelauction.com).

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**Meatballs:**

- 1 egg
- 3/4 cup milk
- 1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese
- 1/2 cup quick oats
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 pound ground beef

**Topping:**

- 2/3 cup ketchup
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 1/2 teaspoons mustard

Mix together ingredients for meatballs and shape into balls. Place in a greased baking pan. Mix together topping ingredients and pour over meatballs. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for 45-50 minutes.

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Rose Edwards, Stillwater, Oklahoma:

**CHERRY DESSERT**

- Vanilla wafers
- 8 ounces cream cheese
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 8 ounces Cool Whip
- 1/2 cup cherry preserves
- 1 can cherry pie filling

Line a loaf pan with vanilla wafers across bottom. Beat together cream cheese and sugar. When smooth beat in Cool Whip. Spread half the cheesecake mixture over the cookies gently. Stir the preserves to loosen them and dollop over the cheesecake mixture. Spread gently. Add another layer of wafers and top with rest of the cheesecake mix. Pour on the cherry pie filling. Put in refrigerator.

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Elaine Claeys, Clay Center:

**OATMEAL PECAN PIE**

- 2 cups sugar
- 4 eggs, well beaten
- 1 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cups dark syrup (not Karo)
- 1 1/2 cups 3-minute oatmeal
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 cup coconut
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- Pecan nuts (on top)
- 2 unbaked pie crusts

Combine all ingredients except pecans. Sprinkle pecans on top. Bake in 2 unbaked pie shells in a 350-degree oven for 10 minutes then 325 degrees for 40 minutes or until

knife comes out clean.

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Lydia J. Miller, Westphalia:

**BLENDER ICE CREAM**

- 2 eggs
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1 to 1 1/2 cups cream
- 1 to 2 cups frozen fruit or ice cubes
- Pinch of salt

Put all ingredients in blender. Mix on high speed until smooth. Serve at once. You can use strawberries, blueberries, peaches, bananas, peanut butter, chocolate or a little cinnamon or nutmeg to vanilla.

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Barbara Barthol, Olathe:

**PINEAPPLE CHEESE BALL**

- (2) 8-ounce packages softened cream cheese
- 1 small can crushed pineapple, drained
- 1 small green pepper, chopped
- 1/2 medium Bermuda onion, chopped
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 tablespoon Lawry's Seasoning Salt

Mix well and serve with crackers.

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Mary McIntosh, Moundville, Missouri: "This is a family favorite."

**CHOCOLATE CAKE**

- Mix in bowl:
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- 2 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons soda
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon

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- 1/2 cup vegetable oil

Pour second mixture over first mixture and mix with a spoon. Add: 1/2 cup milk 2 beaten eggs

Mix all together and

pour into floured pan. Bake at 350 degrees until done. Test by putting toothpick into center. When it comes out clean, it is done (approximately 25 minutes). Frost with chocolate icing while cake is still warm. Garnish with chocolate chips and chopped nuts.

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The day's activities

will include workshops, speakers and a resource fair. Breakout sessions include topics on understanding dementia, eating for health, cooking for one or two, driving safely and knowing when to stop driving, and having difficult family conversations around aging topics such as downsizing and dividing up household possessions. We've also included some topics just for fun like birdwatching, container gardening and the Flint Hills Quilt Trail.

Gayle Doll, Director of the K-State Center for Aging, will be the event's keynote speaker. Her topic will be "re-inventing retirement."

Early bird registration for the event is due by March 20 and will be \$20 which includes lunch, snacks, program materials, and a resource fair. Registrations will be taken March 21-24 for \$25. Register online at [www.riley.ksu.edu](http://www.riley.ksu.edu). For more information or if you would like to set up a booth for the resource fair, please contact Erin Tynon at the Pottawatomie County Extension Office at 785-457-3319.

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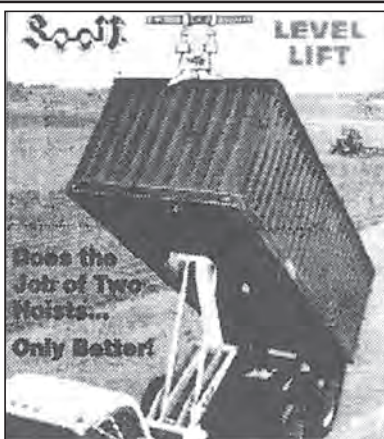


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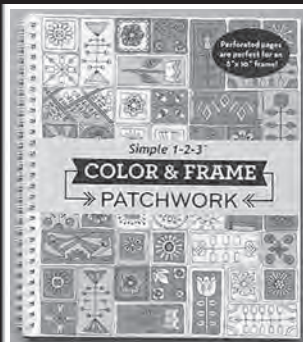
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## Research Shows Eating Colorful Plant Foods Improves Your Health

By Martha Murphy  
Wildcat District  
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Research shows that the single best way to improve health is to eat plenty of naturally colorful fruits and vegetables — deep reds, orange, yellows, whites, blues, purples, blacks and greens.

Why care about colors? Color compounds form more than 2,000 pigments in fruits, vegetables and whole grains. These colors make plant foods not only look scrumptious, but also contain strong antioxidants. In general, the deeper the color, the more powerful its healthful antioxidant action.

Plant pigments are just one type of naturally-occurring antioxidants. Other phytochemicals (“phyto,” pronounced fight-o, means plant) in addition to antioxidants help protect against the damaging effects of toxic substances. Eating a variety of plant foods allows their different phytochemicals to work together to help fight illnesses and disease.

Colorful plant foods provide many healthful qualities. Most plant foods are naturally low in calories, fat and sodium and are high in water content, vitamins and minerals. None contain cholesterol. Many are good sources of dietary fiber, which helps satisfy hunger and enhances bowel health. Fruit has natural sweetness.

Making a colorful diet common

Fruits, vegetables and whole grains offer an appetizing rainbow of colors. Since each color pro-

tects body tissues in its own way, the best way to power up your plate — and please your palate — is to eat a variety of colors and choices within each group each day. Adults are advised to eat 2 to 4 cups of vegetables, 1½ to 2½ cups of fruits, and 3 to 5 ounces of whole grains per day.

Eating colorful plant foods offers many satisfying tastes and textures. For instance, you can select from a variety of fresh, frozen, dried and canned fruits and vegetables. For the most nutrients per calorie, choose fruits and vegetables prepared without added salt, sugar, syrup or sauces. Choose modest portions of juices, since they offer less fiber than other forms and it's easy to get surprisingly more calories from them.

Many brightly colored fruits, vegetables and whole grains are portable and require no preparation other than thoroughly rinsing them under cool running water, making them natural “convenience foods.” To help remind yourself and family members to eat them, store fruits and vegetables where you'll see them often.

For additional information, contact the Wildcat Extension District, Crawford County, 620-724-8233, Labette County, 620-784-5337, Montgomery County, 620-331-2690, Pittsburg Office, Expanded Food and Nutrition Education (EFNEP), 620-232-1930. Our website is <http://www.wildcatdistrict.k-state.edu/> or follow us on Facebook: Wildcat Extension District.



By Ashleigh Hett

I love going to our local Chinese restaurant and have always enjoyed anything with Teriyaki sauce, so this Teriyaki chicken is a favorite recipe of mine! It's easy to whip together and takes less than 5 minutes of prep time. After you let it sit for at least an hour in the fridge, you can pull it out and either cook it on the stove or grill it. I actually prefer it grilled (it's less mess and outside!) but either way is delicious.

If you're worried about the Teriyaki fla-

vor being a bit overpowering, don't be! If only left in the sauce for an hour or two, you'll be able to taste it but it won't be too strong. The longer you leave it (such as 8 or 12 hours), the more flavorful it will be.

Be sure to customize the recipe to fit you. If you like a little more garlic and ginger or less soy sauce, change it up! This is just a good basis to start with.

### Easy Teriyaki Chicken

You'll Need:  
1/3 cup soy sauce  
1/2 cup mayonnaise  
1 clove garlic  
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger  
3 large chicken breasts, thawed  
Olive oil  
Fresh cracked black pepper

Combine the soy sauce, mayonnaise, garlic, and ginger in a large bowl. Stir it until smooth and there are no lumps, then pour it into a large plastic bag.

Cut the chicken into 1/2 inch strips and then place it in the bag with the rest of the ingredients.

Let this sit in the fridge for at least 1 hour (can sit for up to about 12 hours).

When you're ready to cook the chicken, drop some olive oil and pepper into a large skillet over medium heat.

Add the chicken and cook (flipping over occasionally) until sides are somewhat blackened and it's cooked through.

Serve with some mixed veggies and hot rice.

Enjoy!

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



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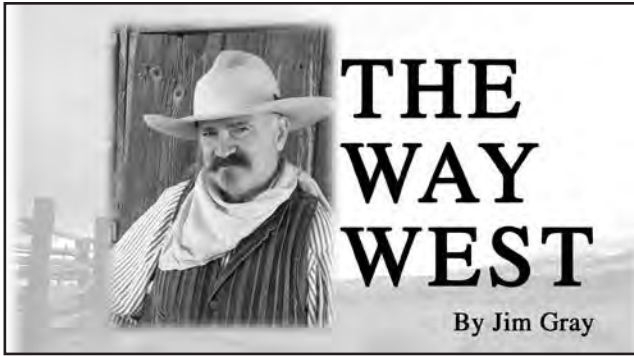
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# THE WAY WEST

By Jim Gray

## Skirting the Law

As spring approached on the Kansas plains, Mother Nature once again asserted her superiority over the best-laid plans of civilization. Drought was being reported from the Rio Grande on the Mexican Border all the way across the plains to the Canadian border. The March 1, 1879, *Salina Her-*

*ald* reported prairie fires all around the city. The barren ground was blowing to the extent that, "real estate moved considerably this week."

Ford County Sheriff W. B. "Bat" Masterson must have felt he was being blown about by the demands of his job almost as much as by

Mother Nature's winds. Beginning with New Year's Day Sheriff Masterson traveled by train to Trinidad, Colorado, to pick up the famous horse thief Dutch Henry Born. Bat knew he had to move quickly. Local authorities were holding Born, but the outlaw had a reputation as one of the most successful escape artists in the West. He might well have made an escape except that he was reported to be "suffering from sickness" and offering very little resistance.

At the time, Masterson's jail was filled with quite a list of ne'er do wells. Two men were horse thieves, one had stolen a gun, another had committed assault and battery with intent to kill. The last two men had stolen twenty-six sacks of corn. Every one of them had been intoxicated at the time of

their offense. Following sentencing the sheriff escorted all six men to Leavenworth for an extended stay in the penitentiary. The *Leavenworth Times* wrote, "During Sheriff Masterson's term of office he has contributed to the State's boarding house and has kept things as straight as a string in his county."

Masterson took a detour on his way home, stopping in Wichita to visit family. The breather was only momentary. On February 15, 1879, Masterson was back in Leavenworth to take charge of seven Cheyenne prisoners accused of forty murders across western Kansas during their escape from the reservation the previous year. Over the next several hours Masterson and his officers had their hands full delivering the prisoners through throngs of people waiting to see "real live wild Indians." They passed across the state by train as quickly as possible.

The very evening that he arrived in Leavenworth two of the prisoners in the Ford County Jail successfully escaped captivity. George U. Holcomb and George Watkins were being held for the November 22, 1878, theft of seventy-five head of cattle from Dunham & Ward

and Mason & Lovell, cattlemen operating south of Cimarron Station (today's Cimarron, Kansas). The men were tracked to Minneapolis, Kansas, and arrested in early December, 1878.

Both Holcomb's and Watkins' wayward paths proved especially disheartening, as only a few months before, Holcomb had arrived in Dodge City from Cimarron to study law. The promising young man was wholeheartedly supported and was soon admitted to the bar. Watkins, also a resident of Cimarron, whose wife "spent several weeks here and worked hard to secure leniency for her husband." The cattlemen agreed "to deal gently with her erring husband." Now, he and Holcomb were on the run.

Masterson arrived in Dodge City with his Cheyenne prisoners in the early morning hours of February 16th. The prisoners were forced to walk several hundred yards to the jail. The distance was too much for old Chief Wild Hog who, after limping and struggling along for some distance, sank helplessly to the ground, where he remained until he was placed on a wheelbarrow and carted to his destination.

As soon as the prison-

ers were secure, Masterson began to look for Holcomb. Masterson was popular among the gambling set which gave him the advantage of dependable informants. Holcomb had been seen catching a fast freight train traveling west. Masterson took the first train in pursuit, nearly catching him at a whistle-stop east of Lakin, Kansas. He learned at Pueblo, Colorado, that Holcomb had fled to a small addition known as South Pueblo. Holcomb was no match for the wily Ford County Sheriff, and soon Masterson had taken him in. George Watkins was nowhere to be found and was never recaptured.

Upon his return, Holcomb retained attorney Nelson Adams of Larned to represent him in court. Nelson prepared a writ of habeas corpus (unlawful detention) before the Kansas Supreme Court. The question was the legality of Masterson's jurisdiction in a county attached for judicial purposes outside Ford County boundaries. Masterson delivered Holcomb to Topeka for a March 1st hearing. They returned to Dodge City on March 5th without a decision. Jurisdiction was supported by a decision on April 25, 1879. However, like the drought that wore out the prairie settlers, the promising young attorney held off Sheriff Masterson and mysteriously was never brought to trial in any court on The Way West.

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This year's offering includes 43 Angus, 12 Simmental and 13 Hereford yearling bulls as well as 46 bred registered females and two elite heifers. The bull offering ranks in the top 20% of all three breeds for calving ease, weaning weight and end product merit.

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formance horses. Visit [asi.ksu.edu/legacysale](http://asi.ksu.edu/legacysale) to view the sale catalog and lot videos and to request a sale catalog.

Prior to the sale will be the 104th Annual Cattlemen's Day. New K-State President Gen. Richard Myers will kick off the event sharing his vision for the university. Another highlight of Cattlemen's Day will be a presentation by Dr. Barry Flinchbaugh, K-State professor emeritus, who will share his thoughts regarding ag policy in a new federal administration. Both presentations will set the stage for the rest of the day with the theme of "Beef

Cattle Economics Trilogy: Beef Industry Outlook, Drivers of Profitability and Better Use of Farm Management Budgets."

The cost to attend Cattlemen's Day 2017 is \$20 if paid by March 2 at noon or \$30 at the door. There is no charge for students. Online registration is available at Upcoming ASI Events. For more information visit

KSUBeef.org or contact Lois Schreiner at 785-532-1267 or [lschrein@ksu.edu](mailto:lschrein@ksu.edu).

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# Grazing risk management workshop planned for March 8

Availability of forage and the risk of drought are always in the back of producers' minds as they consider their grazing and forage plans for the coming year. With 18 million acres de-

voted to pasture and perennial forages across Kansas, livestock producers take plenty of risks as they aim for both profitability and for maintaining the long-term productivity of their grazing

and haying lands.

In preparation for the 2017 grazing season, K-State Research and Extension is providing a series of workshops across Kansas to discuss range man-

agement concepts and risk management strategies. These events are supported through grant funding provided by USDA's Risk Management Agency and its Risk Management Education

Partnerships Program.

One of these workshops will be held on March 8, 2017 at the Williamsburg Community Building, 126 W. Williams, Williamsburg, starting at 7:00 p.m. The program should run about 2 1/2 hours. Speaking at the program will be Dr. Walter Fick, professor in KSU's Department of Agronomy and specialist in range management. Dr. Fick will discuss stocking rates, a variety of grazing configurations, and monitoring rainfall and forage productivity. Understanding the relationships between timing of rainfall, pasture composition (warm-season versus cool-season), and forage output are keys to making grazing management decisions through the season. Fick will also discuss development of a drought plan, culling and stocking adjustments, and other management practices that alleviate the impact of drought on pasture's long-run productivity.

Also speaking is Dr. Monte Vandever, Extension agricultural economist


at the KSU Southwest Research and Extension Center in Garden City. Dr. Vandever will discuss the new insurance product for grazing and haying lands, called Pasture, Rangeland, and Forage (PRF) coverage. PRF uses a grid-based area concept along with a rainfall index as its key coverage features.

Vandever will also discuss how PRF coverage compares with protection provided by the Livestock Forage Disaster Program (LFP), based on the Drought Monitor and provided through the Farm Service Agency.


There is no charge to attend the program. This event is hosted by Frontier Extension District Lyndon Office 785-828-4438, Garnett Office 785-448-6826, Ottawa Office 785-229-3520; Coffey County Extension Office Burlington 620-364-5313; and the Marais des Cygnes Extension District Paola Office 913-294-4306 or Mound City Office 913-795-2829.

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## Agri-tourism Informational Meeting to be held April 4th

Several state and regional organizations are sponsoring an Agri-tourism Informational Meeting on Tuesday, April 4, 2017 at Red Rock Guest Ranch, 4340

270th Road, Soldier, from noon to 1:30 p.m. This meeting is designed to support current and future business owners who have an interest and passion to start a business enterprise that attracts tourists who participate in activities on a working farm, ranch or at a lodge, outfitter, winery or other agricultural operation. Activities like these help sustain the rural way of life and help keep more producers on our Kansas lands.

Attendees will have the opportunity to learn about local and state agencies supporting agri-tourism, business planning, financial assistance and more. Networking opportunities with business resource providers and other business owners at this meeting will highlight the day. Featured speaker will be Sue Stringer, Kansas Byways and Agri-tourism manager, who will present options for marketing and protecting your business by limiting your liabilities.

Co-sponsors for the meeting include: From the Land of Kansas, Rural Grocery Initiative, Northeast Kansas Enterprise Facilitation, Glacial Hills RC&D, Kansas Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, Meadowlark Extension District #7, Washburn University Kansas Small Business Development Center in the Glacial Hills, Rural Development Association of Northeast Kansas and Bill and Debra Brown, Red Rock Guest Ranch.

This is your chance to connect with the organizations and agencies that can help you turn your farm or homestead into an agri-tourism destination!

Lunch will be provided at no cost with pre-registration required to attend the meeting. Registration deadline is March 28, 2017 and to register for this event please go to the upcoming events tab at [www.washburnsmallbusiness.com](http://www.washburnsmallbusiness.com).




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# KDA seeks participants for beef genetics trade mission

The Kansas Department of Agriculture is seeking individuals to participate in a beef genetics trade mission to Costa Rica on April 23-27,

2017. In an effort to increase market opportunities for U.S. and Kansas beef genetics, this program provides an opportunity for Kansas

purebred beef cattle producers and allied industry to continue developing relationships with livestock producers in Costa Rica. KDA strives to encourage and enhance economic growth of the agriculture industry and the Kansas economy by exploring and expanding both domestic and international marketing opportunities.

Attendees will participate in a field day show-

casing calves sired by U.S. Red Angus and Charolais bulls crossed with local Costa Rican Brahman dams in an effort to demonstrate the advantages of heterosis in a tropical climate. Initial data from this project supports the use of U.S. genetics. Attendees will also visit a local research university implementing projects utilizing U.S. beef genetics. Additional opportunities to

engage with potential buyers of beef semen and embryos and visit Costa Rican ranches will be arranged as part of the mission. Kansas ranchers and related agribusinesses specializing in producing germplasm qualified for export are invited to participate.

This trade mission is funded in part by the U.S. Livestock Genetics Export, Inc. Selected participants will be eligible for travel stipends for airfare depending upon number of applicants and fund availability.

Participants will be responsible for the cost of hotels, meals and other incidental expenses.

Individuals interested in participating should complete the application form available on the KDA website at [www.agriculture.ks.gov/international](http://www.agriculture.ks.gov/international). The application deadline is Monday, March 6, 2017.

For more information, please contact KDA agribusiness development coordinator Billy Brown at [billy.brown@ks.gov](mailto:billy.brown@ks.gov) or 785-564-6752.


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## Soy catches more value through aquaculture

Casting a wider net to increase soybean meal demand is paying off. The soy checkoff, along with the Soy Aquaculture Alliance and many others, is opening doors to increase soybean use in U.S. aqua feeds.

Following years of checkoff-funded research, the Association of American Feed Control Officials recently authorized a new definition for the use of synthetic tau-

rine in fish feeds. Approving taurine from additional sources reduces the need for fishmeal in feeds and allows for more soy protein; a change that could directly impact farmers' bottom lines.

"Years ago, we recognized that taurine was a limiting factor to maximizing our share of a fast-growing market," says Mike Beard, soybean farmer from Frank-

fort, Indiana, and director on the United Soybean Board. "This new approval opens up a significant part of the aquaculture diet for soy."

Following this approval, farmers could start seeing added demand and the benefits it brings.

Soybean meal offers a high-quality, renewable protein source for many species of fish. This makes it

an economical choice for fish feed manufacturers. The potential for increased soy-demand in this market will have a direct impact on the return farmers receive for their soybeans at the elevator.

Grass & Grain, February 28, 2017

Demand for seafood is growing at a staggering rate. Identifying this opportunity years ago ensured that farmers would be able to begin capturing their share of value right along with it.

"This is a great example

of the checkoff's commitment to maximizing soybean farmers' profitability," comments Beard. "We will see our efforts from this innovative investment in aquaculture pay off for years to come."

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mouth and suck and, therefore, he may not obtain crucial energy for keeping warm and the antibodies needed to protect against disease. Also, his ability to absorb the antibodies from colostrum diminishes as he becomes colder.

"The general consensus


is that the cold calf does not have the energy for the cellular functions to work properly," says veterinarian and University of Idaho Professor James England. "A cold calf has used up all his brown fat calories and what little bit of protein was left in the stomach (in

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## Grandin inducted into Women's Hall of Fame

Temple Grandin, Ph.D., Colorado State University animal science professor and animal welfare researcher, has been named as one of only ten inductees to the National Women's Hall of Fame this year. Grandin's research and teaching on animal behavior and handling as well as her work on advancing quality standards and assurance in the meat and livestock industries were highlighted in the announcement.

She joins the ranks of past inductees including Maya Angelou, Susan B. Anthony, Georgia O'Keefe, Rosa Parks, Sally Ride and Eleanor Roosevelt, just to name a few.

To view the list of new inductees, visit [www.womenofthehall.org/introducing-2017-nwhf-inductees/](http://www.womenofthehall.org/introducing-2017-nwhf-inductees/).

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# USDA to survey farmers' planting intentions for 2017

What is on the horizon for U.S. farmers in 2017 as they finalize plans for planting this spring? The March Agricultural Survey conducted by the U.S. Department of Agriculture's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) will survey approximately 84,000 of the nation's farmers to determine their plans for the upcoming growing season.

"Each year, the agriculture industry eagerly awaits USDA's Prospective Plantings report, which provides the first survey-based estimates of U.S. farmers' planting intentions for the year," said NASS' Kansas State statistician Doug Bounds. "The March Agricultural Survey provides the factual data that underpins these projections, making it one of the most important surveys we conduct each year."

NASS will mail the survey questionnaire in February, asking producers to provide information about the types of crops they intend to plant in 2017, how many acres they intend to plant, and the amounts of grain and oilseed stored on their farms. NASS en-

courages producers to respond online or by mail. Those producers who do not respond by the deadline may be contacted for a telephone or personal interview. NASS will compile and analyze the survey information and publish the

results in the annual Prospective Plantings report and quarterly Grain Stocks report, both to be released on March 31, 2017.

As with all NASS surveys, the results of this survey will be available in aggregate form only, ensur-

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In April 2011, SSG Jaime Jarboe was serving in the Zhari District of Afghanistan when he was fired upon by a sniper with an AK-47. The bullet penetrated SSG Jarboe's spine, leaving

him a quadriplegic and paralyzed from the chest down. SSG Jarboe never gave up the fight on the battlefield, nor did his wife once they returned to American soil. Jamie and Melissa

spent the next 11 months inside seven different hospitals. Through it all, their love for country and fellow service members kept alive the dream of one day going home to Kansas and living happily ever after.

In March 2012, doctors told Melissa that her husband was terminal and that she needed to place him in hospice care. Facing his final duty, Jaime told his wife never to forget he loved her and the girls, and, finally, to take care of his fellow soldiers.

In the months preceding Jamie's death, Melissa launched the Jamie Jarboe

Foundation (now the Military Veteran Project), a non-profit which honors and empowers Military Veterans.

The foundation's mission is funding the most promising research to find cures for Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Traumatic Brain Injury to assist with suicide prevention.

While that mission sounds noble enough, the reality is much more so. Melissa, in honoring her husband's wishes, gives veterans and their families hope. She helps them navigate a daunting system, she lis-

tens, she acts, she cares.

Melissa said, "Each day I choose to wake up, give thanks to God for creating such a man to show me what true selfless sacrifice is, what dedication to country meant and open my eyes to a world of caring for others."

I have watched Melissa in action. She is warm, funny, positive, and simply, unstoppable. The Unsinkable Melissa Jarboe. It is too easy to watch her in action and forget that she is a widow, a young widow trying to make

sense of her world without the man she loves.

She didn't ask to be an inspiration but she stepped into the those shoes, doing her duty. Just as her husband did.

To become involved, visit [militaryveteranproject.org](http://militaryveteranproject.org).

Deb is the cohost of the *Around Kansas TV* program and the chairperson of *The Great Fort Wallace and Western Kansas 1867 Exposition*, July 6-9 at the Fort Wallace Museum grounds. She may be contacted at [author.debgo-drich@gmail.com](mailto:author.debgo-drich@gmail.com).

## HIGHLIGHTS for the

# FLINT HILLS

## Choice Sale

**SAT., MARCH 11, 2017**  
 1:00 P.M. El Dorado Livestock Auction, El Dorado, KS

**SCAS CUPID 74C**  
 4/28/15 • DBL Polled • 43% Lim-Flex  
 SGLN Yardmaster 125Y x Schilling's Zita  
 BW: -1.5 WW: 58 YW: 87 MK: 13 SC: 0.7  
 YG: -.04 CW: 19 RE: .24 MB: .04 \$MI: 49  
 BW: 71 - Adj. WW: 693 - Adj. YW: 1,167

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 4/8/16 • Pld/Blk • 65% Lim-Flex  
 Schilling's Yannis x SCAS Adara 707A  
 BW: 1.7 WW: 50 YW: 70 MK: 20  
 YG: -.16 CW: 14 RE: .22 MB: -.10 \$MI: 43  
 BW: 74

**SCRN DALLAS 085D**  
 3/7/16 • Scurred/DBL Blk • Purebred  
 Schilling's Yannis x TUBB 7747 085X  
 BW: 2.1 WW: 49 YW: 65 MK: 25 SC: 0.5  
 YG: -.29 CW: 12 RE: .46 MB: -.20 \$MI: 69  
 BW: 72 - Adj. WW: 650

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# Don't buy trouble

By Glenn Selk, Oklahoma State University Emeritus Extension Animal Scientist  
 "Biosecurity" is a term that was used extensively after 9/11. Outbreaks of foot and mouth disease and B.S.E. in Europe had everyone in the livestock industries in America cautious.

"Biosecurity" is actually just a fancy way of saying "common sense" as it refers to preventing disease introduction into a herd. Calf diarrhea or calf scours is a disease entity that can be transported onto a cow calf ranch when common sense should intervene and help prevent the introduction of

new calf scour pathogens. South Dakota State University researchers (W. B. Epperson, 2003 South Dakota Beef Report) examined the cause of a scours epidemic in one spring calving herd back in 2000. Results of the retrospective, record-based investigation suggested that introduction

of foster calves was associated with the calf scours outbreak. Prior to April 5, no scours cases had been observed, despite 39 calves being born. The calf scours epidemic was clearly in swing by the 45th day of the spring calving season and first cases of the epidemic were observed between the 31st and 40th days (April 5, through April 14, 2000). Following April 5, records indicated there was the introduction of at least two foster calves. The outbreak commenced shortly after

the introduction of foster calves. Foster calves can introduce pathogens to a herd, and can shed calf scours pathogens in their feces even when feces appear normal. Because of this risk, the introduction of foster calves is not usually recommended. If introduced into a herd, foster calves (with their foster dam) should be isolated from the remainder of the herd until all calves are at least four weeks old. At that time, it is generally regarded as safe to co-mingle foster calf pairs with the

remainder of the herd. Any time new cattle are purchased and brought onto the ranch, biosecurity guidelines (aka: common sense) need to apply. Isolate the new animals for a period of about one month before turning them into pastures with other cattle. Visit with your local large animal veterinarian about recommended tests as well as vaccinations or parasite controls that can be implemented on the new arrivals before exposing them to the remainder of the herd.

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