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Kansas governor dangles plan for property tax relief, accuses Republicans of 'lip service'

By Sherman Smith
Kansas Reflector

Property tax has long been an issue among Kansans, and especially those in rural, less industrial, areas. The following is an article first published in the Kansas Reflector with the latest on property taxes in Kansas.

TOPEKA — Gov. Laura Kelly on Wednesday proposed a three-part plan to provide “a real and lasting solution” for property tax relief as lawmakers head back to Topeka to close out the legislative session.

First, she vetoed a bill that would have allowed a fraction of registered voters to overturn local property tax increases. Then, she dangled her offer, which includes \$313 million in one-time tax credits for vehicle owners, \$60 million in incentives for local governments to limit spending growth, and \$120 million in state property tax exemptions.

Republican legislative leaders responded by saying the Democratic governor was standing in the way of property tax relief.

“Kansans deserve real property tax relief, and they deserve the truth about how such relief can be accomplished,” Kelly said. “To date, the Legislature — led by a Republican supermajority — has provided only lip service on this topic and has failed to deliver on the campaign promises and talking points they have been repeating for two years.”

Lawmakers are scheduled to resume their work Thursday and Friday, when they could override the governor’s vetoes and pass new legislation before ending the session for the year. The early adjournment was planned



Gov. Laura Kelly vetoed a bill focused on keeping local property tax increases in check and offered her own plan for property tax relief instead. (Photo by Sherman Smith/Kansas Reflector)

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to allow lawmakers to hit the campaign trail.

Kelly’s plan for property tax relief would incorporate Senate Bill 378, proposed by her chosen successor, Sen. Ethan Corson, a Fairway Democrat who is running for governor. The bill would give \$250 to all vehicle owners when they register their vehicles. The tax credits would be paid for with a \$313 million transfer from the state’s rainy day fund, which currently sits at a little more than \$2 billion.

The Senate tax committee gave the bill a hearing in early February but never took action.

The governor’s plan also would create a new fund, starting with a \$60 million transfer from the rainy day fund and increasing by 2% each year, to help pay down

local property taxes. Cities and counties that keep their annual budget growth below 3% each year would be eligible to claim a portion of the fund, which would be distributed based on population and total assessed property value.

The final prong in the governor’s plan is to exempt \$150,000 in home values from the state’s 20-mill property tax. The current exemption is \$75,000. The difference would mean \$172.50 in tax relief for homeowners. A spokeswoman for the governor’s office said the annual tax relief would total approximately \$120 million.

Senate President Ty Masterson, an Andover Republican who is running for governor, was unimpressed by the governor’s “eleventh-hour” plan.

“Her veto of real property-tax relief that we spent all session working on and this last minute ‘plan’ continue to prove my point,” Masterson said. “Our state desperately needs a Republican Governor who takes this crisis seriously. When I’m Governor, I’ll get the job done and provide real property-tax relief to Kansas families.”

The governor offered her plan in place of House Bill 2745. That legislation was hastily rewritten and narrowly passed on the final day of the regular session. It would allow 10% of voters to sign a petition and block local tax increases that exceed 3%.

The vote was 22-18 in the Senate and 63-59 in the House.

Two years ago, Republicans prioritized income tax cuts for the wealthiest Kansans. Then, on the campaign trail, they convinced voters that Democrats were to blame for high property taxes and

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Barnard Lions Fish Fry Set for April 19

The Barnard Lions Club will be hosting their annual Fish Fry on April 19, 5:30-7:30 p.m. The event is held in honor of Leo Dowlin and Eric Jones and will be held at the Barnard Community Building. Open to the public, choose your choice of fried fish, hamburgers and hot dogs with all the fixings. The cost is by donation and proceeds will be used to fund scholarships.

Messy Bun Club

Most young mothers lack Me Time. They love their family time, but Me Time is necessary to good mental health. Me time can mean a long bubble bath with no interruptions, an hour of solitude to read a favorite book, going for a mani-pedi or simply spending time with their peers. One young mother in Lincoln is using her resources and contacts to create the Messy Bun Club, a non-structured place where women over 18 can congregate for fun, laughter and much needed Me Time.

The first Wednesday of each month is now Messy Bun Club night at Lincoln’s Shared Kitchen, thanks to Breanna Brown.

The intention is simple. Between 7 and 9 p.m. on the first Wednesday of each month beginning in May, Lincoln’s Shared Kitchen will welcome all moms and ladies over 18 in a come-and-go environment. Participants are welcome to bring a beverage, meet new people and make new friends, but dressing for the occasion is not a requirement. The expectations are low. Comfortable surroundings and low expectations are on the menu. For now, this will become a gathering place, offering participants an opportunity to build their network of like-minded individuals. Eventually, Brown suggests meals may be available.

So, if you are a young mom, a seasoned mom, or a woman over 18 who needs a little Me Time, plan on the Messy Bun Club to do just that.



Don't forget to file your income taxes or request an extension before midnight April 15!

USD#298 to host KSHSAA Regional Track Meet

In a heartfelt message on Facebook, USD #298 thanked the many sponsors and donors who made the track project a reality. Because of the contributions by the Mettner Field Track Committee, Post Rock Community Foundation, Stanley Walker and Walker Farms, Jason Coover and Coover Farms, John Butenhoff and Butenhoff Farms, APAC, Lincoln County Fire Department, Lincoln County Highway Department, Donnie White, Monty Breneman and the hundreds of donors, what seemed a daunting task took shape and made the new track possible.

With overwhelming support from the community, the district has announced they will be hosting the KSHSAA Region Track Meet this year, providing an opportunity for the students, school and community to highlight the new facility as well as the pride and spirit that is unique to USD 298.

This achievement is a direct result of a community that comes together to invest in its future.

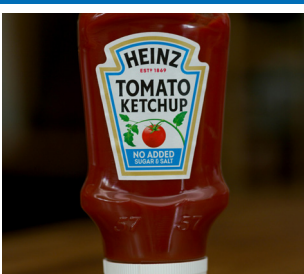
The 1A Regional will be held May 21, with field events starting at 10 a.m. and preliminary running events at 1 p.m. Finals will begin 30 minutes after the 200m prelim. A total of 27 schools will be competing for their chance at the State Meet, including Beloit-St. John’s, Canton-Galva, Central Plains, Clifton-Clyde, Elyria Christian, Goessel, Hanager, Hope, Lakeside, Lincoln, Linn, Little River, Logan, Natoma, Northern Valley, Osborne, Otis-Bison, Pike Valley, Randolph-Blue Valley, Rock Hills, St. Xavier, Sylvan-Lucas Unified, Tescott, Thunder Ridge, Tipton Catholic, Victoria and Wakefield.

Stee-rike!



Sylvan-Lucas Unified senior Harlee Nelson achieved 300 career strikeouts against Beloit on Thursday, April 9. Here, Harlee, center front, celebrates with her teammates. The daughter of Michael and Rosanna Nelson of Lincoln, Harlee has signed an agreement to play softball for Bethel College next year. (Courtesy Photo)

Take ketchup to treat ailments



Whether you love it or hate it, this condiment once had a place in the world beyond hotdogs. However, you’d be surprised to know that ketchup only had tomatoes in it starting 1834. Before, ketchup was made with a mix of fish and mushrooms. When Dr. John Cooke Bennet added tomatoes to the mix, he claimed that the antioxidants gave it a medicinal property. He had a pill salesman turn his tomato ketchup into pills and claimed it could treat diarrhea, indigestion, jaundice, and rheumatism.

Cash Grain

Corn.....	\$3.84
Milo.....	\$3.39
Soybeans.....	\$10.70
Wheat.....	\$5.41

Cash prices courtesy of Ag Mark

Community Calendar

Thursday, April 16

Lincoln: 5 pm Dueling Pianos & Steak Dinner fundraiser @ Vesper Community Center
USD 298: BASEBALL @ LUCAS - 4:00 PM
USD 299: Parents Night Softball; 4pm Baseball vs. Plainville @ Lucas; 4pm Softball vs. Plainville @ Sylvan

Friday, April 17

USD 298: NO PRE-K - PBIS TRAINING
USD 299: Prom; 10:30am Seniors to meet with Annette (Class Speaker)

Saturday, April 18

USD 298: BASEBALL/SOFTBALL CLINICS - IF RAINING; STATE POWERLIFTING

Sunday, April 19

Barnard: 5:30 pm Barnard Lions Club Fish Fry @ Barnard Community Building

Monday, April 20

Lincoln: 5:30 pm USD 298 Preschool and Kindergarten Round-up @ Lincoln Elementary School
USD 298: 7:00 PM EDUCATION FOUNDATION MEETING
USD 299: AR GS Shadowing @ HS; 7pm JH/HS Spring Program

Tuesday, April 21

Lincoln: 10 am Coffee Conversation - Farm & Ranch Transition @ Finch Theatre
USD 298: 10:00 AM HS TRACK @ BELLEVILLE; BASEBALL @ ELLIS - 4:00 PM; HS NPL GOLF ROCK HILLS - 1:00 PM
USD 299: 3pm Baseball @ Ellis (3 JV Innings before Varsity); 3pm HS Track Plainville Invt. @ Plainville; 3pm Softball @ Ellis

Wednesday, April 22

USD 298: 6:30 PM SITE COUNCIL MEETING
USD 299: Career Exploration @ Beloit; 10:30am JH Track Plainville Invt. @ Plainville

Commodity Distribution held the third Wednesday every other month at The Cube (147 N. 4th St., Lincoln.) January, March, May, June, Sept.r, Nov.

Lincoln County Historical Society meets third Wednesday of each month @ 5 p.m.; Lincoln County Historical Museum is open Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays. Call 202.744.9041.
LCEDF meets the second Wednesday of each month in the Courthouse basement. Call 524-8954 for meeting time.
The Lincoln County Commission meets each Monday, and the last working day of the month, at the courthouse.



Monday, April 20

Tuna Salad w/Bread, Pea Salad, Sliced Tomatoes, Mandarin Oranges, & Milk

Tuesday, April 21

Chuckwagon Steak, Cheesy Hashbrown Casserole, Cauliflower, Cinnamon Baked Apples, Roll & Milk

Wednesday, April 22

Oven Fried Chicken, Potatoes w/Gravy, Green Beans w/Onions, Strawberry Shortcake, Roll & Milk

Thursday, April 23

Pizza, Tossed Salad w/Dressing, Brownie, Fruit & Milk

Friday, April 24

Smothered Pork Chops, Yams, Peas & Carrots, Pears, Roll & Milk

Menu is subject to change.

Call 785-524-4738 before 9:30 a.m. to reserve a lunch. The suggested donation for people over 60 or with current paperwork \$4.00. For people without paperwork or under 60, meals are \$7.00, mandatory.

Thank you

We would like to express our sincere appreciation for all the love we have received in various ways during this very difficult time. Jeff meant so much to so many people, and everyone has made it obvious to us by how many caring words, thoughts, prayers, cards, gifts, hugs, and acts of absolute kindness we have received. Thank you to the emergency personnel for being so wonderful while we wrapped our heads and hearts around some very hard truths. He will be missed dearly. We love you all, and the words "thank you" do not seem enough. Thank you, Friends.
-Family of Jeff Meyer



Logan Justus blazes through his first race start as a Raptor for the middle school boys at the March 29th 'Fat Tires on the Farm' Kansas NICA race.

NCK Raptors Host First Race of Season 6

TIPTON, KS - The NCK Raptors hosted the first race of season six of Kansas NICA's mountain bike race series. This year the trail system consisted of fun updates built to help riders flow through the trees at a faster pace twisting through the trails for the NICA race course. Thirteen teams total visited the Blue Hills in North Central Kansas for the 'Fat Tires on the Farm' NICA race held March 29th. The teams joining the Raptors came from Topeka, Emporia, Hutchinson, Lawrence, Manhattan, Wichita, Louisburg, Lindsborg, Great Bend, Colby, Hays, Johnson County with 206 student athletes racing bikes at the Palen Family Farm along with volunteer coaches and local spectators.

The fifth grade boys began the day at 9:00 a.m. with Braeden Alvis completing one lap for a podium finish of 4th place. The middle

school boys were the next wave with Adam Palen racing 2 laps and also coming in 4th, Samuel Jordan in 19th, Braxton Sumpter in 20th, Max Adams in 22nd and Logan Justus in 27th, all with 2 laps. The race laps were a little over 4 miles traveling along both sides of Walnut Creek, winding through trees and back to the PitZone area.

The ladies were up next with Addison Schreiber completing 3 laps with a second place podium finish in the JV2 girls category. The JV3 girls consisted of Elizabeth Palen in first place with 3 laps, Lilly Skidmore in 10th also 3 laps, Climena Jordan in 15th, Vanessa Underwood in 16th, Emaleigh Swindler in 18th and Keira Schmitt in 19th, all with 2 laps. The final ladies racing in middle school category were Mary Skidmore in 10th and Marissa Jeardoe in 12th, both with 2 laps.

Colton Jeardoe competed in the Varsity boys race in 11th with 5 laps. Luke Hollerich raced in the JV1 boys section placing 7th with 4 laps. Connor Sumpter raced in the JV2 category and finished in 11th with 3 laps. The JV3 category consisted of Brodey Schreiber coming in 4th with 3 laps, Clayton Underwood in 15th (3 laps), Luke Hartsock in 16th (3 laps), Kylian Alvis in 17th (3 laps) and Zane Betzold in 23rd with one lap.

"The NCK Raptor athletes and coaches always enjoy hosting 'Fat Tires on the Farm'. All of our athletes have shown great improvement through the season so far," commented Coach John McClure.

For more information about joining the team or to join as a coach, visit www.facebook.com/NCKRaptors. For more information about the Kansas League, visit www.kansasmtb.org.

PRAIRIE DOC BY DEBRA JOHNSTON, MD

Death, Taxes, and Aging Eyes

Benjamin Franklin famously wrote "in this world nothing can be said to be certain, except death and taxes."

Franklin was a legendary intellect, and it's hard to overstate the impact he had. But I'd suggest an addition to that particular quote, one with which I suspect he'd agree.

Most of us know him as one of the Founding Fathers, as the author of Poor Richard's Almanack, as the guy who flew kites during lightning storms. Perhaps less famously, Franklin was also an inventor. He is credited with the creation of the bifocal lens, reportedly inspired by his frustration with switching between pairs of glasses.

As a woman of a certain age, who has needed corrective lenses since childhood, I can well appreciate that frustration, and in turn, that invention! Our eyes are complex organs. In the very front, there is the clear dome of the cornea. Then we have the iris, the colored part of the eye. This is a muscle, and it controls the size of the pupil, the black central hole through which light is allowed entry. From there, light strikes the lens, which is pulled into different shapes by small muscles around its edge, and focused onto the retina in the very back of the eye. Specialized cells in the retina convert light to electricity, and the

optic nerve transmits these messages to the brain.

When I talk to my middle aged patients about symptoms they may be having, they frequently volunteer that they now need glasses for the first time, or that they have "upgraded" to those bifocals. They are usually surprised when I reassure them that this is not only normal, but frankly expected! The cells that create the lens lose the ability to repair or replace themselves over time. The lens becomes less flexible. It doesn't change shape as easily, and as that happens the eye has a harder time focusing up close. Eventually, a person develops presbyopia: age related far-sightedness.

This same process leads to a condition quite familiar to most people: cataracts. As those cells in the lens deteriorate, they become increasingly cloudy. Light has a harder time penetrating, and it may be scattered on the way through, instead of sharply focused. People may notice blurry vision, muted colors, glare around lights. They may need brighter light to read, and find it very difficult to see at night. By 80, approximately 50% of people either have cataracts, or have had cataract surgery.

Presbyopia and cataracts may be a normal, readily treated part of ag-

ing, but you shouldn't neglect those eye exams. As we get older, other eye conditions become more common. Diseases like macular degeneration and glaucoma can be detected by the eye doctor well before they cause symptoms. Since those symptoms include irreversible vision loss, we should all be motivated to make that appointment!

Medicine is ever changing. Research avenues that seem promising turn into dead ends. Dead ends become detours to unexpected and exciting places. Maybe in the future, we will have drops or supplements or some other way to keep our eyes young. But for now, nothing can be said to be certain, except death, taxes... and presbyopia.

Dr. Debra Johnston is a Family Medicine Physician at Avera Medical Group Brookings in Brookings, SD. She serves as one of the Prairie Doc Volunteer Hosts during its 24th Season providing Health Education Based on Science, Built on Trust. Follow The Prairie Doc® at www.prairiedoc.org, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Tik Tok. Prairie Doc Programming includes On Call with the Prairie Doc®, a medical Q&A show (most Thursdays at 7pm on YouTube and streaming on Facebook), 2 podcasts, and a Radio program (on SDPB, Sundays at 6am and 1pm).

Representatives Needed

Lincoln county is currently unrepresented regarding senior matters in our state of Kansas. Two positions are open that could remedy this situation.

The North Central-Flint Hills Area Agency on Aging meets with an 18-county board to determine priorities for senior citizens of North Central Kansas. This board meets five times each year, often in Junction City. They discuss in committees and make recommendations for the betterment of seniors' lives in our District 8 and throughout the state. Lincoln county is currently with-

out representation on this board and has been so for several years.

The county is also without a representative to the Silver Haired Legislature. This group meets three times each year, in Topeka and elsewhere within the state.

If you are interested in serving either on the 18-county North Central Kansas board or as a Silver Haired Legislator, or to find out more about these positions, please contact North Central-Flint Hills Area on Aging, Inc. at 785-776-9294 or you may call 800-432-2703.

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OBITUARIES



Charles E. Derryberry, Jr.
May 26, 1943 - Apr. 6, 2026

Charles E. Derryberry, Jr. was born May 26, 1943, the first son of Charles E. Derryberry Sr. & Frances O. Wauford Derryberry. He died April 6, 2026 at the age of 82 at the Lincoln County Hospital, Lincoln, KS.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents; son Charles E. Derryberry III; brother Anthony (Tony) Derryberry; and granddaughter Danielle Miles. He is survived by his daughter Kimberly Lynn Fowler of Portland, TN; grandchildren, Sheree and Desiree; eight great grandchildren; sister Connie Crawford (Stan) of Lincoln; brother Mike (Paula) of Murfreesboro, TN; and nieces and nephews.

Charles graduated from David Lipscomb High School in Nashville, TN in 1961. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge of Nashville and was employed by Nashville Electric Service from 1962 until his retirement in 2003. He earned his pilot's license and loved flying and sail boating. He moved to Lincoln in 2007.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 a.m., Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at Lincoln Cemetery.

In lieu of plants and flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Lincoln Senior Center, c/o, Hall Chapel, PO Box 37, Lincoln, KS 67455. Condolences can be left at hallchapel.com.

Hilda Ann (Behrens) Slaughter July 19, 1955 - Feb. 26, 2026

Hilda Ann (Behrens) Slaughter born on July 19th 1955 lost her battle from complications of cancer and gained her wings February 26th 2026. She was born in Ellsworth Ks and was a 1973 graduate of Lincoln High School. She was a CNA, CMA and an EMT for many years primarily in Ellsworth, Wellington and Kngman Ks. She is survived by her daughter Jewels, sons Eric and William, grandchildren Hailey, Jason and Dayton, her great grandchildren Marquis and Henry, her sister Miriam, brothers Henri and Carl, a large extended family and numerous friends. She was



LES students honor country's 250th birthday

Lincoln Elementary School celebrated our nation's story through music at the Spring Music Concert April 9.

The program, "250 Years of Stars, Stripes, & Songs", honored America's 250th birthday with songs that highlighted the spirit, history, and pride of our country. From patriotic

classics to joyful melodies, each performance reminded us of the values that bring us together and the bright future ahead. Their heartwarming performance ended with the Lincoln Elementary School song.

The performance was a hit with the audience. In a Facebook post, USD #298 sent this message: "We are

so proud of our students for their hard work, confidence, and enthusiasm on stage. A big thank you to our music teacher, Mrs. Bates, for organizing such a meaningful and memorable program, and to our families and community for your continued support." Way to go LES!!

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2026

The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners met in the courthouse commission meeting room on Monday, March 30, 2026. Chairman Debora Smith called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. with Vice-Chairman Ken Meitler and Member Leon Hart present. County Clerk Dawn Harlow was in attendance as recording secretary.

Others present for portions of the meeting: Adam Robertson, Jennifer Bryant, Brandon Cochran, Dale Rosebrook, and Brandon Sauers.

Administrator Adam Robertson updated the board on the status of the bridge replacement projects, nursing home heating system issues, health department activities, and the replacement of the courthouse clock project.

Custodian Jennifer Bryant requested permission to purchase items for the garden and an electric chainsaw. The board approved pur-

chasing items for the garden not to exceed \$500 and approved the purchase of a saw and other tools. The group discussed fencing around the dumpster. The board approved replacing the fence.

Ambulance Service Director Brandon Cochran reported that he has submitted an application to the Dane Hansen Foundation for the power lift and autoloading systems. Cochran provided information on additional available grants and a status update on departmental activities.

Administrator Robertson discussed HB 2712 and the bill's impact on asking voters to approve a sales tax initiative to fund several large projects, including a new law enforcement center, the courthouse rehabilitation project, and the Sylvan Grove and Westfall blacktop projects.

Debora Smith moved to approve payroll in the amount of \$224,243.74, seconded by Leon Hart. Motion carried. Debora Smith

moved to approve accounts payable in the amount of \$295,883.01 and to include the health insurance bill when available, seconded by Ken Meitler. Motion carried.

Debora Smith moved to approve the minutes of the March 23 meeting, seconded by Leon Hart. Motion carried.

Dale Rosebrook discussed road improvement in Colorado Township that was completed at his request and raised several concerns about the work performed.

Brandon Sauers met with the board concerning the acceptance of the Public Works Director position. Sauers reported that he met with department employees to get to know them before officially starting in the new position.

The chairman adjourned the meeting at 11:34 a.m. The next meeting will be in the courthouse commission meeting room at 8:30 a.m. on Monday, April 6, 2026.



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Pastor Christopher Craig
Sylvan Grove, Kansas
Sunday School following Worship
Sunday Worship @ 10:30 am

BEVERLY COMMUNITY CHURCH
www.beverlycommunitychurch.org
Pastor Toby Flaming
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Morning Worship @ 10:45 am

CENTRAL CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Nursery available during service
Light Keepers Wed. @6:30 grades 6-12
Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7am @ The Cube

CULVER METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Demerle Eckart
401 Main Street, Culver, Ks
Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am
Saturday Coffee @ 8-10 am

DENMARK EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CHURCH, ELCA
Worship Service @ 10:30 am

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Jonathan Schale
Lincoln Park Manor @ 9:30 am
Bible Study @ 10:30 am
Worship Hour @ 11:00 am
Afternoon Worship @ 2:00 pm
Wed. Bible Study @ 7:00 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Pastor Carolyn Allen, Barnard
Morning Worship @ 11:00 pm

GRACE CHAPEL-HUNTER
Pastors Kaye & Jeff Metzler
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

LINCOLN COMMUNITY CHURCH
www.lincolncommunitychurch.org
Pastor Steven Rohn
Sunday School @ 9:30 am
Worship Service @ 10:30 am
Women of Grace.Wed. @ 5:30 pm
To rent the cube call Michael Pickering 785-488-7049.
Sunday Evening Service @ 6:30
Adventure Club Wed. 6pm - 7pm
Ages 3-12

LINCOLN PARK MANOR CHAPEL
Morning Worship @ 9:30 am
Afternoon Worship @ 2:30 pm

LINCOLN UNITED METHODIST
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Sylvan Grove, Kansas
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Church @ 11:00 am

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Pastor Don Haselhuhn

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Worship Service @ 9:00 am

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA
Pastor Rod Thompson, Tescott
Worship Service @ 9:00 am

TESCOTT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Pastor Demerle Eckart
Sunday School @ 10:00 am
Worship @ 11:00 am

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, HUNTER
Pastor Matthew Schneider
Hunter, Kansas
Sunday School @ 9:00 am
Worship Service @ 10:00 am
Midweek/Confirmation
Wednesdays @ 4:30 to 5:45

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Insight - Kansas Farm Bureau - opinion Spring and smoke

Greg Doering
Kansas Farm Bureau

Spring can be a trying season in the Flint Hills. The temperature fluctuations and swirling winds make picking out the right jacket nearly impossible on any given morning. And if it happens to be nice enough to not need any extra layering one morning, you'll likely need it by late afternoon.

The fickle weather is what makes the truly beautiful spring days so enjoyable. The kind where a light breeze is needed to temper the warmth of the sun because the treetops are still a tangle of tender limbs and buds, but not a shroud of leaves to offer any shade. Even cloudy days bring hope of gentle rains that tame the dust and fuel an explosion of vibrant colors.

Kansas native prairie is undergoing a similar awakening against a backdrop of warm days and cool nights. Stunning blue skies are sometimes interrupted by smoke from prescribed burns. In a few short weeks the barren landscape left after prescribed fires will transform into an ocean of green grass supporting grazing for millions of cattle.

This is a cycle that's been repeated for thousands of years. The diverse mix of native grasses and forbs that blanket the countryside are adapted to episodic fire that clears away woody plants like eastern red cedars or non-native forbs like sericea lespedeza.

Protecting the state's 15 million acres of grassland is a year-round process and despite farmers' and ranchers' use of prescribed fires, the prairies of Kansas are facing significant threats from invasive species that outcompete the native vegetation.

Over the past 30 years, Kansas has seen woodlands advance across its eastern flank, with large swaths of the central portion of the state transitioning to land that's not quite a forest but isn't prairie either.

Invasive species go beyond fencelines, and the westward march of woodlands is changing the landscape of Kansas.

Prescribed burns are essential to maintaining the prairie that's left, and they will be vital in reversing the encroachment that has already taken place. I also know there's a significant consternation when plumes of smoke create a nuisance in towns and cities.

More than once I've had to close my windows on a pleasant day and turn on the air conditioner because the erratic atmosphere of spring has trapped smoke close to the ground. Usually the fires are relatively close when this happens, but there are days when the sky is deep blue in the morning but it morphs into a gray haze as the smoke from distant burns filters in.

It's easy to curse the smoke when it settles in, clinging to a spring day that feels too nice to waste indoors. I've done it myself. But that haze is also a sign that those who depend on the prairie for their livelihood are caring for it in a time-tested manner.

The same winds that make us second-guess our jackets each morning are carrying something else across Kansas this time of year — the work it takes to keep the prairie from slipping away.

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POST ROCK EXTENSION DISTRICT

Considerations for Managing the Cowherd, Before and After the Fire

By **Blaire Todd**
K-State Research and Extension
Post Rock Livestock Production Agent

Wildfires are undoubtedly among the most challenging natural disasters, and when they occur, they create immense hardship for our farming and ranching families and for rural communities. Here in Kansas, and many other areas of the central and southern Great Plains and western regions of the U.S., producers are generally accustomed to experiencing wildfires, particularly during late-winter and early-spring. However, the frequency and intensity of these fires seem to be growing each year. While the underlying conditions that influence wildfire occurrence and severity are complex, no one wishes them on their neighbors. We often don't like to think about the daunting situations or the "What do we do if this happens" scenarios, as we have so many other positive things to be grateful for right now in the beef industry. However, we think it is good for all of us as we enter this time of year to keep the following points in mind regarding cowherd management, should we be directly impacted by wildfire.

Make sure everyone involved in your operation has readily available contact information for those who need to be reached in case of an emergency. This includes spouses, children, employees, neighbors, and close relatives who live nearby. Do your children know the neighbors who live down the road and how to reach them in case of an emergency, and you cannot? Know who your designated emergency management officials are for your community and how to contact them. Everyone directly involved with your operation should know and be able to contact key folks such as an Extension professional, your nutritionist/feed service provider, and veterinarian, as those individuals may often need to be involved in making important herd management decisions during and after a wildfire event.

Inventory management of both feed and animals is one of the most challenging aspects of a cow-calf operation, regardless of size. Maintaining accurate pasture or group headcounts is always important, but it becomes even more critical when animals become scattered or comingled with

other herds or are hastily relocated to a random location away from the direct path of a fire. Simply take time to ensure your headcounts are continually updated and accurate, so it is easier to reconcile differences in the event of an emergency. If fire occurs, it is helpful to know the initial hay inventory, the regular feeding disappearance, and differentiate between what was burned. Accurately documenting asset losses goes hand in hand with inventory management and is an important part of the process from a financial standpoint. For all of us, it is obvious when we lose an asset, but we must make sure we record and communicate that loss to those with whom we work. Video taken with your phone or trail camera, pictures, ear tags, and any other form of animal identification, as well as verification affidavits, are examples of documentation insurance companies and lenders will need when processing claims and verifying losses on assets.

Just as the people who work to save and care for them, the cattle that survive wildfires have endured significant stress. As you work with these animals in the days, weeks, and months following a fire, avoid adding undue stress whenever possible. Take the approach of providing critical, compassionate care with low-stress handling techniques. In emergency situations such as this, it's important to focus on basic animal care: safety, water, and feed. Once cattle are moved or located in a safe location, they need an opportunity to rest, drink clean, fresh water, and then eventually consume feed. Keeping inventory of resources such as portable water tanks, refilling sites, and feed resources will help achieve this critical step.

Animals will need to be monitored very closely both immediately after and over the next several days post-event, as adrenaline subsides after this stressful time. Things to monitor are damaged eyes (similar symptoms to pinkeye), severe hoof damage or separation of the coronary band (indicating sloughing hooves), and secondary respiratory disease (pneumonia) from smoke inhalation. Triage may be appropriate for animals that need immediate intervention and for those under consideration for monitoring and treatment. Be prepared and plan accordingly to humanely euthanize

animals if at any point they are in severe distress. Consult your veterinarian to develop a specific animal health management plan appropriate for surviving animals if necessary for your operation. It should be well outlined so you can act on and implement it when necessary. Monitor young calves closely in the days and weeks after the fire. Finally, it may be worth reassessing your culling criteria. There will be instances in which surviving cows are clearly injured to the extent that they are no longer able to be productive and must be culled from the herd, and there will also be cases in which only minor injuries occur, with resulting impacts on female productivity much more subtle. It will be important to reassess what injuries warrant a cull for your operation.

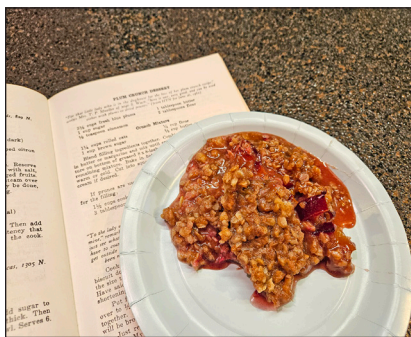
If you are directly impacted by wildfire, please remember that you are not alone and that there are resources to help, many of which can be found at your local Extension office. Two key resources for Kansas include the Kansas Forest Service Wildfire Response site and the Kansas Mesonet Fire Danger Forecast site. If we experience a wildfire, we need to remember that while taking care of everyone else around us, we also need to take care of ourselves in all aspects of life throughout the process. The overwhelming outpour of support always provided to those affected, and the way people from throughout the beef industry rally and come together during such events, are a testament to the strength of production agriculture and our rural communities.

Thanks to A.J. Tarpoff and Jason Warner, Kansas State Extension Specialists, for sharing information related to managing the cowherd before and after a fire. For further information, contact me at any Post Rock Extension District Offices in Beloit, Lincoln, Mankato, Osborne, or Smith Center.

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SPICE UP YOUR LIFE - LINDSAY YOUNG

Vintage crunch recipe gets two 'plums' up



This vintage recipe for plum crunch combines the rich flavor of fresh plums with the warm spice of cinnamon and the nuttiness of an oatmeal-based topping.

When I look at my bookshelf of cookbooks, I often think of a lady I never got the opportunity to meet in person but whom I feel connected to through a very sweet gift: Merna Snay.

Merna, a former resident of the Mount Hope and Haven area, was a prolific cook—and by all reports, a really good one. She got the opportunity to compete in the Pillsbury bake-off on several occasions. When she downsized, many years ago, she gifted me with some amazing vintage cookbooks, and when I decide I need a challenge, I will flip through them to see if I can decipher the directions. There was a generation of authors who often wrote recipes with the assumption that anyone reading them could fill in the blanks for the parts they weren't including.

Recently, I purchased a big bag of plums from our local grocery store, and with a gathering at our office

on the horizon, I decided it was time for one of Merna's books to come off the shelf.

The recipe I landed on is from the booklet "Rare Recipes and Budget Savers, Volume 2," published by the Wichita Eagle in 1963.

It was originally submitted for the Home Town News column on June 26, 1962, by Mrs. T.P. Mueller. She included the following note with it: "For that little lady who is in the doghouse for the loss of her plum crunch recipe, here is one, very good, and can be used either with plums or dried prunes."

I never lost a plum crunch recipe, but I was glad for Mrs. Mueller's guidance, nonetheless. I did add extra cinnamon in my version.

Plum Crunch

Filling Ingredients

- 3 1/2 cups fresh plums, pitted and chopped
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1 tablespoon butter, melted
- 1 tablespoon flour

Crunch Ingredients

- 1 1/4 cups quick or rolled oats
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 1/2 cup flour
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 cup butter

Directions

Preheat the oven to 400 degrees. Grease an eight-by-eight-inch baking dish with butter, and set it aside. Add the plums, sugar, cinnamon,

butter and flour in a bowl and stir to combine well.

In another bowl, add the quick oats, brown sugar, flour and cinnamon, and mix to combine. Cut in the butter with a fork or pastry cutter until it is mixed throughout the crunch mixture.

Press half the crunch mixture into the bottom of the prepared pan, and then spread the filling mixture over top. Sprinkle the rest of the crunch mixture evenly over the top.

Bake for 30 minutes or until the filling is bubbling around the edges and the top is browned nicely.

Serve warm or room temperature. Store leftovers in an airtight container.

I doubled this recipe and baked it in a nine-by-13-inch pan. It received excellent reviews from our guests. It was sweet and cinnamon-y and home-y.

We had a bit of the crunch left over, so we ended up swirling it into a quart of ice cream, using my stand mixer, so we can enjoy it later on.

And as I crumbled the oats and spread the sugary plums, I had to think of a beautiful connection made between two women from Haven, born decades apart but sharing a love of anything home-made.

Some gifts are priceless.

Spice Up Your Life is a weekly recipe column by Lindsey Young, who describes herself as an enthusiastic amateur cook and can be reached through her website at spiceupkitchen.net.

LEGAL NOTICE

(First published in Lincoln Sentinel Republican Wednesday, Apr. 15, 2026)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF

DOLORES OBERMUELLER, DECEASED

(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59) CASE NO. LC-2026-PR-6

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that on April 10, 2026, a Petition was filed in this Court by Randy Obermueller and Terri Wagoner, the devisees and legatees in the Last Will and Testament of Dolores Obermueller, deceased, dated August 17, 1999, requesting Informal Administration and to Admit Will to Probate.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before the May 11, 2026, at 11:00 o'clock A.M., in the District Court of Lincoln County, Lincoln, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon said Petition.

Randy Obermueller and Terri
Wagoner, Petitioners

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IN THE 12th JUDICIAL DISTRICT DISTRICT COURT OF LINCOLN COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF

Kristyn Rochelle Niemi

Case No. LC2024-CJ-000003
Div. No.

To Change Her/His Name to

Kristyn Rochelle Jackson

PURSUANT TO K.S.A. CHAPTER 60

NOTICE OF HEARING - PUBLICATION

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL WHO ARE OR MAY BE CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that Kristyn Niemi (Petitioner's Full Name), filed a Petition in the above court on the 5th day of April, 2024, requesting a judgment and order changing her/his name from Kristyn Niemi to Kristyn Jackson

The Petition will be heard in Lincoln County District Court, 215 E. Lincoln Ave. (Court address), Lincoln (City), Kansas, on the 22nd day of June, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.

If you have any objection to the requested name change, you are required to file a responsive pleading on or before Friday, June 22, 2024. (Insert date at least 41 days after first publication) in this court or appear at the hearing and object to the requested name change. If you fail to act, judgment and order will be entered upon the Petition as requested by Petitioner.

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Lincoln High School Girls Track Team: Front Row (L to R): Juliette Good, Laina Larson, Ember Larson, Ashton Lyne, Izabell Dail, and Jayden Meyer. Middle Row (L to R): Olivia Dail, Ethney Sheldon, Ivey Sheldon, Kaylee Obermueller, Lily Behrens, and Alison Rosebrook. Back Row (L to R): Kimberly Helus, Zoie Steinborn, Tennyson Donley, Chloe Helus, and Hadley Wiebke. (Photo by Jenna Farris)



Lincoln Junior High School Boys Track Team: Front Row (L to R): Brock Holman, Layne Nelson, Brennan Wolting, Connor Schneider, Nathanael Schale, and Lyle Hair. Middle Row (L to R): Benjamin Hull, August Buttenhoff, Titus Bell, Austin Rosebrook, Jack Metz, and Parker Hall. Back Row (L to R): Reiko Rosado, Adrian Rathbun, Ayden Muchow, Jaxson White, Dane Bates, and Collin Rosebrook. (Photo by Jenna Farris)



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Lincoln High Track Team: Front Row (L to R): Warren Ford, Kadin Schneider, Alyssa Lopez, Keynan Flinn, and Jordan Meyer. Back Row (L to R): Ian Ryan, Benjamin Bell, Gabriel Esposito, Clay Bates, and Camden Weber. (Photo by Jenna Farris)

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4/21	Belleville Relays @ Belleville	10:00 a.m.
4/27	JV Tescott Invitational @ Tescott	3:00 p.m.
5/1	Beloit Relays @ Beloit	10:00 a.m.
5/5	Tescott Invitational @ Tescott	3:00 p.m.
5/8	Thompson Relays @ Lincoln	3:00 p.m.
5/14	NPL League Meet @ Tescott	3:00 p.m.
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4/14	Grizzly Invitational @ Mankato	3:00 p.m.
4/24	Bullpup Relays @ Osborne	9:30 a.m.
4/30	Lincoln Invitational @ Lincoln	1:00 p.m.
5/7	Rock Hills Invitational @ Mankato	9:00 a.m.
5/12	Pike Trail League @ Tescott	1:00 p.m.

HIGH SCHOOL GOLF SCHEDULE

4/9	St. John's Beloit @ Beloit	4:00 p.m.
4/14	Lincoln @ Lincoln	TBD
4/21	NPL Golf @ Mankato	1:00 p.m.
4/28	Rock Hills Golf Meet @ Mankato	1:00 p.m.
4/30	Western Plains @ Ransom	1:00 p.m.
5/5	Lakeside @ Downs	1:00 p.m.
5/12	Tipton @ Tipton	10:30 a.m.
5/13	Chase @ Chase	1:00 p.m.
5/15	Logan @ Logan	1:00 p.m.

TESCOTT TROJAN SPRING SPORTS PHOTOS AND SCHEDULES



Tescott High School Boys Track Team: Front row (L-R): Jarrett Trow, Ayden Thompson, Charlie Phelps, Ben Case, Joey Stirn, and Konnor VanDoren. Back Row (L-R): Miles Challans, Jace Krone, Carter Phelps, Reid Oetting, Brody Thompson, and Parker Graves. (Courtesy photo)

HIGH SCHOOL TRACK SCHEDULE

4/7	Beloit-St. John's Inv.	3:00 pm
4/14	Stockton Inv.	3:00 pm
4/21	Belleville Invitational	10:00 am
4/24	Solomon Invitational	3:00 pm
4/27	Tescott JV Meet	3:00 pm
5/1	Beloit Relays	10:00 am
5/5	Tescott Invitational	3:00 pm
5/8	Lincoln Thompson Relays	3:00 pm
5/14	NPL Meet @ Tescott	3:00 pm
5/21 or 22	Regional	TBD
5/29 & 30	State	TBD



Tescott High School Girls Track Team. Front row: Nevaeh Tromble, Makenna Challans, Alison Adams, Breonna Peterson, Maddie Kohart, and Nevaeh Stanley. Back Row (L-R): Zuhrya Aita, Aubrey Adams, Hailey Thornhill, Alani Stanley, Aubree Weis, and Gracie Miller. (Courtesy photo)


JUNIOR HIGH TRACK SCHEDULE

4/2	Tescott Inv.	1:00 pm
4/9	Central Plains Inv.	1:00 pm
4/16	Victoria Inv.	1:00 pm
4/22	Fleming Inv.	10:30 am
4/30	Lincoln Inv.	1:00 pm
5/6	St. John's Inv.	9:00 am
5/12	PTL @ Tescott	1:00 pm



Tescott Junior High Boys Track Team: Front Row (L-R): Lucas Main, Henry Adams, Jaxton Salazar, Case Cramton, Bennett Dawson, Hunter Salazar, and Lawrence Weis. Middle Row: Austyn Krone, Ethan Adams, Kyle Nelson, Marshall Challans, Carson Smith, Bradee Fern, and Keiran Peterson. Back Row: Landyn Zackgo, Jacob Castillo, Abel Vanderford, Ben Willard, Nathan Beauchamp, Kellian Peterson, and Graison Zachgo. (Courtesy photo)

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Tescott Junior High Girls Track Team: Front Row (L-R): JayLynn Stout, Caroline Yates, Ashtyn Kohart, Adiliese Aita, and Mara Stanley. Back Row: Natayah Valeka, Cahya Beauchamp, Lexi Thompson, Adlynn Ryan, and Indy Tromble. (Courtesy photo)

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promised to deliver relief. But, the governor said Wednesday, the truth is that the overwhelming majority of property taxes are levied by cities, counties and school districts. And, she said, the taxes pay for police and firefighters, road maintenance, and high-quality public schools.

House Speaker Dan Hawkins, R-Wichita, and Majority Leader Chris Croft, R-Overland Park, said the governor's veto shows she is still standing in the way of property tax relief.

"The people of Kansas deserve a voice in how their hard-earned dollars are taxed, and this veto ignores their needs and the will of the people," Croft said. "It's time to put Kansans first and ensure real property tax relief becomes a reality."

Republicans could resume efforts to pass Senate Concurrent Resolution 1603. That would present voters statewide with the option of rewriting the Kansas Constitution to cap annual increases in property valuations.

"Kansans didn't send us to Topeka to play political games," Hawkins said. "They sent us here to deliver results. Kansas families are being crushed by rising property taxes. Across the state, they are being forced into tightening their budgets and making smarter, more fiscally responsible choices. Local government should be doing the same."

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Total for the Week - Cattle - 5349

Bulls - \$249 - \$260 Cows- \$182 - \$194

Strs		Hfns	
300-400	\$670.00-680.00	300-400	\$600.00-630.00
400-500	\$570.00-585.00	400-500	\$545.00-560.00
500-600	\$530.00-540.00	500-600	\$455.00-480.00
600-700	\$460.00-470.00	600-700	\$415.00-433.50
700-800	\$400.00-421.00	700-800	\$365.00-377.00
800-900	\$378.00-389.00	800-900	\$330.00-347.00
900-1000	\$340.00-355.50	900-1000	\$310.00-327.50

Early Consignments for Thursday, April 16th

Sale: 10 a.m. 60 blk s&h, 450-650, wean 30 days, 2 round vacc; hay fed; 70 red angus s&h, 400-550, home raise, 2 round vacc, no implants on heifers, Mushrush red angus sire; 60 mostly blk s&h, 450-600, home raise, wean 45 days, 2 round vacc; 55 str, 500-700, home raise, long wean, 2 round vacc; 55 blk, mostly str, 550-650, home raise, long wean, vacc, knife cut; 45 mostly blk str, 450-500, home raise, off cow, 1 round vacc; 18 s&h, 300-500, off cow, fall vacc; 125 blk s&h, 800-900, home raise, long wean, Benoit sired; 85 blk/red s&h, 400-600, home raise, vacc; 35 mostly blk s&h, 450-600, off cow, 1 round vacc; 23 hfr, 850, long wean, open; 90 str, 550-650, off rye, no implants; 8 str 500-600 2 rnd vacc; 80 blk s&h 400-700 30 days weaned, vacc; 35 mostly blk s&h 450-600 vacc; 60 blk str 850-875 no sort; plus many more by sale time.

APRIL COWS SALE: APRIL 21, 2026

• **BULLS:** 12 blk/red/char bulls, 12-18 months, 5-yearlings, semen checked; 3 registered red ang. 2- 3 years old, semen & trich checked, 1- yearlin, semen checked, EPP's available; 4- 2year old blk ang. Registered bulls, semen & trich checked, virgins; 1- 2.5 year old angus, semen & trich checked; 3 blk 2- 18 month old, 1- 13 month old, virgin, semen checked, worked, Gardner Fire Proof or Gardner Kansas; 4 char bulls, 2- 18month old, semen & trich checked, virgin, 2- yearling bulls, semen checked; 2 sim/angus bulls, 14 months old; plus more by sale time.

• **REPLACEMENT HEIFERS:** 60 blk hfrs, home raise, OCHV'd, total vacc; plus more by sale time.

• **HEIFER PAIRS:** 20+20 blk AI sired calves, hfrs- Don Johnson sired; 40+40 home raise, sim/ang. Calves sired by lbw sim/ang bulls; 50+50 blk/bwf hfr pairs, SD origin, mostly AI sire Basin True Grit, calves worked; 19+19 blk hfr pairs, home raise, calves 1-2 months, Benoit sired; 8+8 blk hfr pairs, calves worked; 28+28 blk hfr pairs, calves Pelton angus sired, calves 1-2 months old, FANCY; 2+2 hfr pairs, calves 45 days old, calves worked; plus more by sale time.

• **BRED HEIFERS:** 105 red/blk fall bred hfrs, AI bred 12/1, bulls in 12/4-1/17; 18 red hfrs, bred calving ease Mushrush or Double C char; 5 blk hfrs, bred angus, 7-8 months; 12 red angus fall bred hfrs, bred LBW angus, calve Sept. 1; plus more by sale time.

• **COWS/COW PAIRS:** 70 blk/red angus, young fall bred, bred blk; 20 blk cows, 3-5 years, bred good blk bulls; 40 blk 3-5 years, fall bred, bred blk bulls; 80 blk 3-5 years, fall bred, bred blk; 20 blk fall cows, 3-6 years, bred blk; 40+40 pairs, calves worked; 300 fall bred cows, 3-6 years, bred char, calves weaned off late February; 50 fall bred cows, 3-6 years, bred Green Garden angus or Bar S; 40 blk cows, 3-6 years, bred blk sim/angus, calve Sept.1; 75 fall cows, 3-6 years, bred angus; calve Sept.1; 180 blk/red angus, 3-5 years, bred blk bulls, fall calvers; 20+20 mostly home raise, red pairs, young to solid mouth; 15 red cows 3-6 years, fall bred, bred red or char; 12 red/blk cows, 3-5 years, fall bred, bred blk; 10+10 blk cow pairs, 4 years old, calves 2 months old; 30 fall bred cows, running age, bred blk; 50 blk/bwf cows, young, bred blk angus; 80 blk/red angus cows, 3-5 years, fall bred; 20 bred cows; 15+10 pairs, 2-5 years, all worked; 5+5 older pairs, good calves; 14 blk/red angus fall cows, 3-5 years, bred Circle S black Balancer; 20+20 blk running age pairs; 38 blk fall bred, solid mouth cows, bred blk & bwf bulls; 8 blk fall bred cows, 3-6 years, bred blk; 14 red/blk cows, 8-older, fall bred; 22 blk cows, fall bred, bred blk sim/angus, 4-5 months; 25 blk cows, 3-5 years, bred angus, home raise, fall calvers; 12+12 older cow pairs; 50 running age cows, heavy bred; 11 fall cows, 4-6 years, bred blk angus bulls, Green Garden genetics; 2+2 cow pairs; plus more by sale time.

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