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CENTRAL KANSAS EXTENSION DISTRICT NEWS

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November 2018

Upcoming Events

November

- 15** Soil Health Field Day, McPherson
- 21** Small Ruminant Workshop, Hutchinson

December

- 7** Tom Maxwell Retirement Reception, American Ag Credit, Salina
- 19** CKD Farm Financial Series #1: Balance Sheet Basics, Minneapolis

January

- 7** K-State Corn Production School, Salina
- 9** K-State Calving School, Russell
- 16** CKD Farm Financial Series #2: Cash Flow Analysis, Minneapolis

February

- 7** K-State Sorghum School, Salina
- 13** CKD Farm Financial Series #3: Ratios & Renewals, Minneapolis

March

- 13** CKD Farm Financial Series #4: Ag Finance Tools & Resources, Minneapolis

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Farewell

After 38 years as an Extension agent with K-State Research & Extension, I have decided to retire. Looking back, it's hard to believe I started my career in 1981 as county agricultural Extension agent in Trego County, Kansas at the tender age of 24! Now with years of experience I tell people I still have more questions than answers! I have enjoyed my career as an Extension agent and always found the work interesting, and it has been rewarding to help people. "Helping people help themselves" is the motto I like to use. Hopefully you have found, and will continue to find, the Extension program helpful to your farming operation, agribusiness, or to you as a landowner. I want to thank the many cooperators who have helped put out demonstration plots over the years, hosted a tour on their farm, participated in a workshop, or attended an educational meeting. I hope you found the information useful. My wife Jane and I plan to stay in Salina to enjoy our small farm, spend more time spoiling our grandchildren, and take a few trips to places we have never been. I will miss the conversations and questions I receive daily with my job. Most of all, I will miss my daily contact with the many farmers, landowners, agribusiness people and co-workers whom I call friends. Thanks to all for making this such a great career with enough memories to last a lifetime!



Tom Maxwell, Crop Production Agent

Tom Maxwell Retirement Reception

December 7th

After 38 years, Tom is retiring from the Central Kansas Extension District at the end of December 2018. A reception will be held Friday, December 7, at American AgCredit, 925 W. Magnolia Rd., Salina KS, from 4 to 6:30 p.m. American AgCredit is just west of the I-135 Magnolia exit at the entrance to Menards in Salina. Cards may be sent to Tom's home address: 436 N Holmes Rd., Salina KS 67401.



Soil Health Field Day



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018

10:00 AM

**Brian Crowther Farm
1613 Pawnee Rd., McPherson, KS**

Tire Tank / Solar Pump Demonstration and Discussion

Speaker: Herschel George, KSRE Watershed Specialist

Utilizing Cover Crops for Grazing

Speaker: Jaymelynn Farney, KSRE Extension Beef Systems Specialist

Electric Fence Options

Speaker: Gary Grasser, Zeitlow Distributing Company

Lunch will be provided

**Please RSVP for an accurate lunch count by Friday, November 9, 2018, by calling
Karen Borcharding at (785)825-8269 ext. 337**

This Soil Health Day has been sponsored by the Kansas Division of Conservation, the City of Wichita, K-State Research and Extension, Harvey County Conservation District, McPherson County Conservation District and Saline County Conservation District

Small Ruminant Production & Utilization Workshop



Wednesday, November 21, 2018

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Central Livestock
811 North Main Street
Hutchinson, KS

This workshop is designed for anyone that is just getting started in commercial sheep and goat production or that has been involved in the industry for several years.

Topics of this workshop will include:

- Assessing and Managing Nutritional Needs
- Health of Your Flock
- Facility Management
- Marketing Strategies
- Utilizing Small Ruminants to Their Fullest Potential

Featured Presenters:

- Dr. Alison Crane - State Sheep & Goat Specialist, KSRE
- Dr. Emily Reppert, DVM – Asst. Professor, KSU Veterinary Medicine
- Jack Lemmon – Research Assistant, KSU Animal Science



**For more information or
to RSVP by Friday,
November 16, please call
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Sincerely,



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