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**Public Notice
Annual Meeting
Greeley County
Extension Council**

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with K.S.A. 2-611, as amended, State of Kansas, that on November 11, 2020 at the 4-H Building in Tribune, KS, beginning at 6:30 pm MT, the members of the Greeley County Extension Council shall meet for the purpose of: (1) electing from among their members an Executive Board consisting of a chairperson, a vice chairperson, a secretary, a treasurer and five additional members; (2) organizing the Program Development committees for Agricultural Pursuits, Home Economics Work, 4-H Club and Youth Work, and Economic Development Initiatives; (3) consideration of the County Extension Education Program.

All County Extension Council representatives of Agricultural Pursuits, Home Economics Work, 4-H Club and Youth Work, and Economic Development Initiatives are urged to attend.

Cody Woelk
Executive Board, Chair

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SPECIAL NOTICE

UGC-MSD is accepting bids for a cash lease agreement on a 25 acre tract located in the E/2 of SW/4 of Section 21, Township 18 S, Range 40 W, Greeley County, Kansas until **4:00 p.m. MDT on November 23, 2020** at City Hall. Lease terms are available for review at City Hall during normal business hours. Bids shall be submitted on bid forms available at City Hall, and questions may be directed to (620) 376-4278.

LEGAL NOTICES

(To be published in the Greeley County Republican on October 28, November 4 and November 11, 2020.)

IN THE DISTRICT COURT GREELEY COUNTY, KANSAS

PHI FINANCIAL SERVICES INC
Plaintiff

vs. CASE NO. 2017-MV-00002

JAV, LLC
Defendant.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under and by virtue of a Writ of Special Execution and Order of Sale issued by the Greeley County, Kansas District Court on September 30, 2020, wherein PHI FINANCIAL SERVICES was Plaintiff and Judgment Creditor, and JAV, LLC and L & P FARMS, INC. were Defendants and Judgment Debtors, the same being Case No. 2017-MV-0002, I will on **Friday, the 20th day of November, 2020 at 10:00** o'clock a.m. Mountain Time, of said day, offer for sale and sell at public auction to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, at the front door of the Courthouse in the City of Tribune, Greeley County, Kansas, the following described real estate, to wit:

Lots 1 & 2 & S/2 NE/4 oda NE/4 Sec. 3, T18S, R39W and Lots 3 & 4 oda N/2 of NW/4 Sec. 3, T18S, R39W, Greeley County, Kansas along with an Undivided 1/2 Mineral Interest - NE/4 Sec. 3, T18S, R39W

/s/ Mark Rine
Greeley County Sheriff

SUBMITTED AND APPROVED BY:

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF GREELEY COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
NICHOLAS J. LOBMEYER JR., DECEASED. No. 18PR16

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Harold L. Lobmeyer, one of the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Executors of the estate of Nicholas J. Lobmeyer Jr., deceased, praying the Executors' acts be approved; their account be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and the estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; reasonable fees and expenses be allowed; the administration of the estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Executors be finally discharged, and they be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before November 18, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. MST in the District Court, in the City of Tribune, Greeley County, Kansas, at which time and place this cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Harold L. Lobmeyer, Gerald L. Lobmeyer,
and Kimberly N. Shea, Executors

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Lawyer for Executors

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UNIFIED GREELEY COUNTY, KS.

STATE (VALUATION) 35,903,271		LEVY
Educational Bldg	K.S.A. 76-6b01	1.000
Institutions Bldg	76-6b04	0.500

GSD (VALUATION) 35,903,271		
General Fund	79-1946	88.614
Road & Bridge	68-5,101	22.008
Employee Benefits	12-16,102	21.147
Bond & Interest	10-113	14.594

Horace (VALUATION) 461,821		
General Fund	12-101a	52.815
Social Security	40-2305	4.920

MILL LEVY FOR 2020

MSD (VALUATION) 4,938,927		LEVY
General Fund	K.S.A. 12-101a	63.910

USD #200 (VALUATION) 34,536,990		
General Fund	72-5142	20.000
USD #200 (VALUATION) 35,903,271		
Capital Outlay	72-53,113	7.986
Supplemental General	72-5147	19.466
Bond & Interest	10-113	9.879

Cemetery (VALUATION) 35,903,271		
General Fund	17-1344	0.933

Taxing District	State	GSD	Horace	MSD	USD #200	Cemetery	TOTAL
Municipal Service	1.500	146.363		63.910	57.331	0.933	270.037
General Service	1.500	146.363			57.331	0.933	206.127
Horace City	1.500	146.363	57.735		57.331	0.933	263.862

I, Jerri Young, Unified Greeley County Clerk hereby certify that the foregoing is a correct copy of the tax levies in Unified Greeley County for the year 2020.

Foreign Persons Must Report U.S. Agricultural Land Holding

USDA Kansas Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director David Schemm reminds foreign persons with an interest in agricultural lands in the United States that they are required to report their holdings and any transactions to the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

"Any foreign person who acquires, transfers or holds any interest, other than a security interest, including leaseholds of 10 years or more, in agricultural land in the United States is required by law to report the transaction no later than 90 days after the date of the transaction," said Schemm.

Foreign investors must file Agricultural Foreign Investment Disclosure Act (AFIDA) reports with the FSA county office that maintains reports for the county where the land is located.

"Failure to file a report, filing a late report or filing an inaccurate report can result in a penalty with fines up to 25 percent of the fair market value of the agricultural land," said Schemm.

Wheat Scoop

Kansas Hard White Wheat Demonstrates Good Quality and Outlook, Despite Limited 2020 Production

The Kansas hard white (HW) wheat crop is exhibiting good milling and baking quality, even though production was down in 2020, according to the annual Crop Quality Report published by U.S. Wheat Associates (USW).

Released last week, the report includes grade, flour and baking data for all six U.S. wheat classes. The report includes analysis of hundreds of samples collected during and after harvest to provide objective information for the world's wheat buyers.

"We are pleased to share the 2020 U.S. Wheat Crop Quality Report with our customers, partners and friends," said Vince Peterson, USW president. "While the global pandemic kept us apart in distance, it was not going to prevent us from providing the information customers need to put the six U.S. wheat classes to work in their businesses. U.S. wheat farmers produced another abundant supply of wheat with a very useful range of functional characteristics."

According to the report, the 2020 HW wheat crop demonstrated good quality in milling performance, dough properties and in finished products like pan breads, Asian noodles and steamed breads. USW and member organizations like the Kansas Wheat Commission are now taking this analysis out to customers to discuss both last year's quality and the outlook for the HW wheat just planted.

Matt Overturf, director of grain marketing for Skyland Grain, LLC, with its corporate location in Johnson, Kansas, echoed the good quality

of this year's HW wheat crop, despite a significant drop in production. The company only took in about 40 percent of their five-year average, with an even more substantial drop year-over-year. This decreased production was driven by crop rotations into other dryland crops and substantial drought conditions in the western parts of the state where the majority of HW is grown.

Despite lower acres, Overturf reported the HW wheat delivered to their locations had good protein and test weights. He also said the company's location in Cunningham (Kingman County) took in HW wheat for the first time and it was also of good quality. While the majority of this wheat is destined for domestic use, Skyland has made some sales to Nigeria prior to the start of the competing Australian harvest.

Looking forward, Overturf expects HW production in western Kansas to rebound substantially, in part due to prevent plant acres from this summer that shifted back to wheat production. Farmers in western Kansas also benefit from varieties like Joe that include resistance to diseases like Wheat Streak Mosaic Virus, and KS Silverado, which is growing in popularity in central Kansas. He reported the HW wheat now in the ground is off to a good start, but farmers are keeping their fingers crossed for moisture soon to support plant growth.

"If we can catch moisture, we have a really good stand here," Overturf said. "Our farmers like to grow HW wheat out here and we like handling it. When somebody is looking for HW to buy, they can come to us and we usually have a pretty good supply."

Hot, dry, windy events are occurring in Western Kansas, west Texas more frequently

Study shows Dodge City, Kansas has most occurrences

MANHATTAN, Kan. – You don't need to tell folks in western Kansas that it can get hot there. And sometimes windy. And sometimes really dry. But when all three conditions happen at the same time – and especially for a long period of time – droughts develop, crops produce less grain, and wildfires are sparked more easily.

And according to a new Kansas State University study, the conditions are happening more frequently than they used to in western Kansas, and south into west Texas.

"We found increases in the frequency of hot, dry, windy events over time that indicate new and different patterns in the Great Plains," said Vahid Rahmani, an assistant professor of biological and agricultural engineering at K-State.

"This research showed the highest frequency of hot, dry, windy events occurred in western Kansas southward into Texas for the period 1949 to 2018."

Rahmani teamed with then-K-State doctoral student Ameneh Tavakol and professor John Harrington in K-State's Department of Geography and Geospatial Sciences on the study. Tavakol is now an environmental scientist in California.

The team analyzed data collected over two time periods, 1969-2018 (50 years) and 1949-2018 (70 years), examining spatial and temporal variations of hot, dry, windy events. The 50-year data came from more stations (44) than were available for the 70-year data (27).

The study, partially funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture Ogallala Aquifer Program, was published in the Sept. 24, 2020 edition of Nature Research Scientific Reports

"Farmers depend on favorable weather conditions for their livelihoods," Rahmani said. "Devastating crop damage can be caused by events where low humidity, high temperature, and high wind speeds combine to disturb the water balance in plants and intensify evapotranspiration."

He cited a period in 1888 when a severe stretch of hot, dry and windy days desiccated corn acreage in southern Kansas. Another time, in 1931 and following a month without rain, seven consecutive days of hot winds were reported at Ashland, Kansas, including a report of 120 degrees F on Sept. 5.

Rahmani said this type of research deepens understanding about events such as this year's derecho, the destructive storm that

raced across the U.S. Midwest and caused an estimated \$7.5 billion in agricultural losses alone. The August 10 storm swept across several states, flattening crops and damaging homes, businesses and other structures with winds up to 140 miles per hour.

In Rahmani's team's research, the scientists found that the largest number of annual hot, dry, windy events occurred in Dodge City, Kansas with 60 occurrences.

Crop damage can occur from just a few hours of hot, dry, windy events, he said.

Those events, also called "furnace winds," are when the temperature is higher than 35 degrees C or 95 F (a threshold considered critical for crop development), the relative humidity is below 30%, and the wind speed is equal to or greater than 7 meters per second, he added.

"The trend toward increased days of very hot, dry, windy events is significant in the western Great Plains," he said. "Monthly values indicated the highest probability of hot, dry, windy events in July and lowest chances in May and September during the warm season."

Rahmani, who leads K-State's Climatic and Hydrologic Extremes Laboratory, said even as a child, he was interested in water and its availability and use in rural areas and cities.

That and a desire to teach at the university level made his career path obvious. Now, his research focuses on how resilient our infrastructures are to climate extremes of droughts and floods and how decision makers can best adapt to those extremes. The goal, he added, is to understand the impacts of climate change on water and food security.

This latest research means at field scale, farmers can use the findings to make better decisions about their irrigation and crop practices. At the regional and national scale, the information can help farmers and planners improve their water management and planting strategies.

"The higher temperatures associated with climate change may increase the frequency of extreme hot, dry, windy events," he said. "Hot, dry, windy events have implications beyond crop production. Wind-driven wildfires can occur in areas that never experienced them before. Increased evapotranspiration is expected where and when these compound extreme meteorological events were most observed. Adaptation and mitigation strategies may need to be adjusted to effectively cope with the negative impacts of these events."

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