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Timing is important for nitrogen applications to late wheat

By: *Jeanne Falk*
K-State Agronomist

Producers who have planted wheat late, directly into row crop stubble or residue, must decide when and how to apply nitrogen. The best approach is to apply as much of the crop's total nitrogen requirements as possible below the soil surface at or before planting time, according to Dale Leikam, K-State nutrient management specialist. While urea N vitalization is not a big concern for winter wheat production systems, applying nitrogen below the soil surface eliminates any potential for volatilization and minimizes immobilization of the applied nitrogen in the previous crop is residue.

For those who applied no fertilizer at planting time, or only a

starter P fertilizer with the seed, the question is whether to apply the nitrogen fertilizer in the fall or to delay the application until early spring. The timing decision is important primarily to dryland or flood-irrigated wheat. Nitrogen can be applied to pivot-irrigated wheat any time it's warm enough to run the sprinklers.

In general, on medium- to fine-textured soils, the best approach is to topdress the wheat as soon as possible after the wheat has tillered. This provides the maximum opportunity for the nitrogen to move into the root zone with precipitation. It also improves the chances of the wheat taking in the nitrogen at an early enough growth stage to help maximize yield potential. For wheat grown on sandier soil, where leaching

may be a concern, it might be better to apply a portion of the nitrogen (about 30 pounds of N per acre) in the fall and topdress the remainder during the winter.

By applying nitrogen in the fall through the early winter period, producers will avoid weather-re-

lated delays that could occur later in the season. If the weather is unusually wet during the late winter or early spring, producers may not be able to get into the field to apply the nitrogen until after the wheat has jointed, which is too late to maximize yield potential.

Nutrition assistant is recognized

Karen Jones, St. Francis, a Family Nutrition Program assistant with Kansas State University Extension, was named "Humanitarian of the Year." by the Kansas Head Start Association. Kay Mitchell, a teacher at Graham County Head Start, Hill City, has been selected as "Teacher of the Year."



Jones

Both awards were presented during the association's annual confer-

ence on Nov. 17 and 18 in Wichita. Both Jones and Mitchell work with children and families in the Northwest Kansas Educational Service Center Head Start program, based in Oakley. The program serves 11 counties.

Mrs. Jones travels to nine of the 11 counties served by Northwest Kansas Head Start, presenting information on good nutrition.

Her nomination noted, "Karen puts an abundance of time and energy into every nutrition presentation she gives, such as an 'Around the World with Food' activity where the children learn about the Food Pyramid"

Public Notices

A petition is filed to foreclose mortgage

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS CIVIL DEPARTMENT

Bankwest Case No. 05CV20
Plaintiff, Court Number:

vs Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 60 Lawrence R. Bishop; Joe Doe (Tenant/Occupant); Mary Doe (Tenant/Occupant); United States of America, Department of Agriculture; USA (local service); Jill Roe (real name unknown) unknown spouse, if any, of Lawrence R. Bishop. Defendants.

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ner of the Southeast Quarter (SE 1/4) of Section Twenty-two (22), Township Three (3) South, Range Forty (40) West of the 6th p.m. and thence from said point due North to a point where said line intersects the South line of the alley in Block Fifty-two (52), Henry's Addition to the City of Saint Francis, Kansas, according to the recorded plat thereof, produced East; thence West along the North line of said alley in said Block Fifty-two (52) as produced East, a distance of 68 feet; thence due South to a point which intersects the South line of said Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of said Section Twenty-two (22); thence due East a distance of 68 feet to the place of beginning, Cheyenne County, Kansas, commonly known as 528 E. 1st Street, St. Francis, KS 67756 (the "Property")

and you are required to plead to the Petition on or before the 11th day of January, 2006, in the District Court of Cheyenne County, Kansas. If you fail to plead, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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Association presents Christmas show

The annual Christmas show presented by Western Plains Arts Association will be "Red, Hot and Blue! White Christmas!" performed at the Colby High School auditorium at 3 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 4. Admission will be by Western Plains Arts Association season pass, or at the door.

The cast will also offer a 40-minute educational workshop on musical theater techniques at 1 p.m. that day at the high school auditorium. The workshop is free of charge and open to all interested persons.

Red, Hot...and Blue is a popular attraction at Branson, Mo., known for their high-energy song and

dance and spectacular wigs and costumes. Their shows typically feature a wide variety of music including ragtime, roaring 20s, Broadway, Big Band, and classics of the 50s and 60s. This show will also feature some Christmas numbers.

This presentation is made possible by the Betty G. and James Secrest Fund at the Thomas County Community Foundation, Inc., and is supported by Mid-America Arts Alliance with generous underwriting by the National Endowment for the Arts, Kansas Arts Commission, and foundations, corporations and individuals throughout Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma and Texas.

Taken from the past

How to run a newspaper

Men will take the liberty to tell you how to run a paper when they would not think of hinting to a merchant how to conduct his store or tell a preacher how to preach. They pay money for schools, and do not know whether Jimmy is learning the rule of three or how to hold a cigarette graceful; but when it comes to the newspaper, there is where they all get off.

During the past week a friend wanted to know why we did not try to run the paper a little more along the lines of how Christ would run a paper. We don't know how that would be. In the first place, if Christ were back upon earth we do not be-

lieve that he would go into the newspaper business at all. There is not an editor or a preacher that could tell the whole truth for thirty days and stay in the community in which he lived. If our friends doubts this statement, let him try telling the absolute truth just one week and see where he lights. —

W.A. Fletcher in the Oak Grove, Missouri, Banner.



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