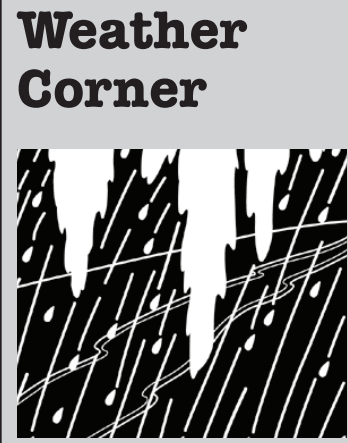




Sale barn specializes in variety

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day is reserved for horses late in the day, after the other livestock is



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Tonight: Snow and wide-spread blowing snow. The snow could be heavy at times. Low around 20. Windy, with a north wind between 25 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 35 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80 percent. New snow accumulation of 3 to 5 inches possible.

Friday: Widespread blowing snow and a chance of snow. Cloudy, with a high near 32. Windy, with a north wind between 20 and 30 mph, with gusts as high as 40 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent. New snow accumulation of less than one inch possible.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of snow before 1 a.m. Cloudy during the early evening, then gradual clearing, with a low around 18. North wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 43. North wind between 10 and 15 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 26.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 29.

Monday: A chance of rain and snow showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 46. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 22.

Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 50.

Tuesday Night: A slight chance of rain and snow. Partly cloudy, with a low around 30.

Wednesday: A slight chance of rain and snow. Partly cloudy, with a high near 51.

Wednesday: High, 52; Low 32
Precip: Wed. 0.03 inches
Month: 0.03 inches
Year: 0.67 inches
Normal: 2.15 inches
(K-State Experiment Station)

sold, with as many as 200 head going through the ring every month.

Most sale barns in the area sell cattle only, Wilson said.

The Wilsons said they took over in 1994, when they first leased the sale barn, buying it in 1996. In spite of dwindling numbers of livestock auctions in the area, they say they have managed to maintain a healthy market.

They stay on top of the federal and state regulations by making sure professional buyers are bonded and registered with the state. The federal Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration is the long arm of the law when it comes to the livestock industry. Compliance with Packers and Stockyards Program rules is the key word, the couple says.

There are many reasons why small livestock auctions are going out of business, the Wilsons say. On is that the number of small farms is dwindling and big-acreage farmers don't have the time to handle livestock. Another is specialty feeders that are cropping up all around the country.

Huge hog-feeding operations have practically eliminated small hog farmers, for instance. Another deterrent to small auction houses is the growing number of federal and state regulations operators have to comply with. They are expensive and time consuming for small sale barns, the Wilsons said.

To stay viable in a dwindling industry, the Wilsons have been willing to be flexible and stay on top of what drives the market. They say they are finding great success right now in being well known as a good and fair market for meat goats.

U.S. goat production meets only 40 percent of the country's need, and has resulted in a sky rocketing market. The growing need for chevon or cabrito, as goat meat is known, is propelled by the growing ethnic population who prefer it, mostly people from Muslim and Hispanic nations, they said.

A goat is not "just a goat" in today's market, buyer Robert Martin said. The Boer breed, a meat animal, was introduced into the United States nearly 20 years ago from South Africa. It is a favorite to cross with other breeds because it is an ideal meat-producing animal, producing a higher percentage of dressed meat per carcass.

Leland Wilson said they have order buyers for goats from as far away as Pennsylvania and Iowa, with several buyers coming from Colorado, Nebraska, Kansas and Iowa at each sale.

Martin, a registered buyer from Nebraska, said there is a great potential for further expansion and development of the U.S. goat industry. He said raising goats is an easy business to get into and is lucrative to small producers, even to today's 4-H'ers, especially those in proximity to a good market.

The goats sold here are trucked to feeders in other states or taken directly to slaughterhouses in Chicago. A goat can stay on the truck for as long as 30 hours without stress to the animal, Martin said.

The market for goat meat has nearly doubled in the past five years, with the outlook to remain steady with projections that demand will increase as the public learns how to prepare and enjoy young goat meat as a healthful source of lean red meat.

Volunteer see what to look for

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Monday night, Floyd held a storm spotter's workshop at the community building.

The workshop began with basic information for first-timers, followed by more advanced information for experienced spotters.

Floyd started out with safety rules. He said the rule in flooding conditions is not to drive through any water flowing across a road.

"If you can see the stripes on the highway beneath the water, it might be OK to cross," he said, "but the best motto is, 'Turn Around, Don't Drown.'"

The best thing to do in a lightning storm, Floyd said, is to go inside. If you can't get inside, crouch down in a low area, avoiding trees, hills, metal and water.

For safety during a tornado, Floyd said, get inside a sturdy structure, move to the lowest floor and inner-most room, curl up and cover your head. If you cannot get indoors, find a ditch or culvert.

He said never to try to hide under an overpass, because winds often hurl debris under a bridge.

With hail, find cover to protect yourself. Floyd said baseball-size hailstones can travel 100 mph and crush whatever they hit.

Floyd said most tornadoes occur east of the Rocky Mountains because they form in moisture from the Gulf of Mexico.

Spotters were told that when they call in a report, they need to provide their name and location, tell about the event they observed, and give its time and location.

Floyd said the events they want reported include tornadoes, funnel clouds, rotating wall clouds, hail 3/4 of an inch and larger, winds above 60 mph, flooding, deep-pounding runoff, damage and injury.

Floyd warned the class that sometimes spotters get fixated on watching a cloud in front of them and forget to also look around them in case a tornado is developing behind them or to their side.

Participants learned the anatomy of a thunderstorm and studied the difference in clouds and features. He showed videos of the different types of clouds and weather phenomenon.

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KLBV/ABC 4 (6)	Good Morning Kansas Saturday		Good Morning America (N) (CC)		Good Morning Kansas Saturday		That's-Raven	That's-Raven	Hannah Montana	Zack & Cody	Emperor New	Replacements				
KSNK/NBC 3 (8)	Today (N) (CC)				Paid Program	Paid Program	Jane-Dragon	Zula Patrol	Pen-guins	Veggie-Tales	Turbo Dogs	Friend Rabbit				
KBSL/CBS 12 (11)	The Early Show (N) (CC)				News (N)				Straw-berry	Care Bears	Paid Program	Paid Program				
K15CG 2 (2)	Thomas-Friends	Bob the Builder	Market-Market	Lassie's Pet Vet	Big World	Bob the Builder	Thomas-Friends	Biz Kid's (CC)	Saddle Club	Motor-Week (N)	For Your Home	Victory Garden				
ESPN 28	SportsCenter (CC)		SportsCenter (CC)		SportsCenter (CC)		SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		Wm. Basketball					
USA 37	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU					
TBS 38	Movie: Cats & Dogs ★★ (2001, Comedy) (PA) Jeff Goldblum. (CC)				Movie: Chicken Run ★★ (2000) Voices of Mel Gibson.			Movie: 101 Dalmatians ★★½ (1996, Adventure) A flamboyant fashion plate plans to skin pups for a coat.								
WGN 39	Paid Program	People-People	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Star Trek: The Next Generation (CC)					
TNT 40	Charmed Noir (CC)		Charmed (CC)		Law & Order 3 Dawg Night		Law & Order Compassion		The Closer Problem Child (CC)		Movie: A Beautiful Mind ★★½ (2001)					
DSC 42	Paid Program	Tomato Tree	Paid Program	Ten-Trainer	Sharks: Are They Hunting Us? (CC)		Dirty Jobs Chick Sexer (CC)		Wreck. Nation		Time Warp					
A&E 47	The Chris Isaak Hour Chicago. (CC)		Sell This House!		Sell This House!		Sell This House!		Flip This House (CC)		Flip This House (CC)					
HIST 48	Heavy Metal DUKW Landing (CC)		American Eats Snack foods. (CC)		Wild West Tech Cowboy Tech (CC)		UFO Files Other-planet visitors. (CC)		The Universe Astrobiology (CC)		Ancient Discoveries					
NICK 55	Jimmy Neutron	Jimmy Neutron	OddPar-ents	OddPar-ents	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	Barn-yard	Mighty B	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob				
DISN 56	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Handy Manny	Phineas and Ferb	Phineas and Ferb	Movie: Wendy Wu: Warrior					
FAM 58	Step by Step	Step by Step	Sabrina-Witch	Sabrina-Witch	Full House	Full House	My Wife and Kids		That '70s Show		Movie: The Addams Family ★★½ (1991) Anjelica Huston.					
HALL 60	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Movie: Honey, I Shrunk the Kids ★★ (1989, Comedy) Rick Moranis. (CC)				Movie: Marco Polo (2007, Historical Drama) Ian Somerhalder. (CC)							

SATURDAY														MARCH 28	
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KLBV/ABC 4 (6)	Colon Detox	Paid Program	SELF CHEV.	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Paid Program	Wipeout (CC)		Paid Program	ABC News			
KSNK/NBC 3 (8)	Jeopardy!	Paid Program	Paid Program	PGA Tour (Live) (CC)	Golf: Arnold Palmer Invitational -- Third Round. Orlando, Fla.				Paid Program		Paid Program	NBC News			
KBSL/CBS 12 (11)	College Basketball: NCAA Division II Tournament Final -- Teams TBA. (Live)				Road to the Final Four Tournament preview. (N) (CC)			College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Regional Final -- Teams TBA. Boston and Glendale, Ariz. (Live)							
K15CG 2 (2)	Yankee Shop	This Old House	Ask This Old	Home-time	Wood-wright	Cook's Country	Taste This	School-Fine Art	Love of Quilting	Place-Our Own	Antiques Roadshow Wichita				
ESPN 28	Wm. Basketball		Score-board	Women's College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. Regional Semifinal -- Teams TBA	Score-board		Horse Racing: Florida Derby. (Live)		SportsCenter (Live) (CC)						
USA 37	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU				
TBS 38	(11:55) Movie: Fun With Dick & Jane ★★½ (2005, Comedy) Jim Carrey. (CC)				Friends (CC)	Sex and the City	Sex and the City	Ray-mond	Ray-mond	Ray-mond	King of Queens	King of Queens			
WGN 39	The Bob & Tom Show (CC)		Legend of the Seeker Bloodline		Legend of the Seeker Deception		MLB Preseason Baseball: Los Angeles Dodgers at Chicago White Sox. From Tucson, Ariz. (Live) (CC)		Movie: American Beauty ★★½ (1999) Kevin Spacey.						
TNT 40	(11:00) Movie: A Beautiful Mind ★★½ (2001, Biography) Russell Crowe. (CC)				Movie: Unfaithful ★★ (2002, Drama) A housewife has an affair with a charming stranger. Richard Gere.			Movie: American Beauty ★★½ (1999) Kevin Spacey.							
DSC 42	Tattoo Hunter Thailand (N)		Treasure Quest The Silver Queen		Survivorman (CC)		Dirty Jobs Cave biologist. (CC)		Dirty Jobs Special Effects Artist (CC)		Dirty Jobs Alligator Egg Collector (CC)				
A&E 47	Flip This House (CC)		Movie: Pearl Harbor ★★ (2001, War) Friends join a war effort after the Japanese attack Hawaii. Ben Affleck, Josh Hartnett. (CC)		Battles BC David: Giant Slayer (CC)		Battles BC Joshua: Epic Slaughter (CC)		Battles BC (CC)		Bible Battles Exploring the biblical world from a military perspective. (CC)				
NICK 55	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	iCarly (CC)	iCarly (CC)	iCarly (CC)	iCarly (CC)	iCarly (CC)	iCarly (CC)	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob			
DISN 56	(11:00) Movie: Phineas and Ferb	Phineas and Ferb	Phineas and Ferb	Phineas and Ferb	Phineas and Ferb	Phineas and Ferb	Movie: Tarzan ★★ (1999) Voices of Tony Goldwyn. (CC)		Movie: Hercules ★★ (1997) Animated. The strongman becomes a Greek hero.						
FAM 58	(10:30) Movie: Addams Family Values ★★½ (1993, Comedy) Anjelica Huston. (CC)	Movie: Jumanji ★★½ (1995) A sinister board game puts its players in mortal jeopardy. Robin Williams.				Movie: King Solomon's Mines ★★ (2004, Adventure) Patrick Swayze. (CC)									
HALL 60	(10:00) Movie: Marco Polo (2007)		Movie: Final Approach (2007, Suspense) An FBI agent must thwart hijackers who have a nuclear device. Dean Cain. (CC)				Movie: King Solomon's Mines ★★ (2004, Adventure) Patrick Swayze. (CC)								

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KLBV/ABC 4 (6)	News (N) (CC)	Kake News	Movie: Just Like Heaven ★★½ (2005, Romance-Comedy) Reese Witherspoon.		Castle Hedge Fund Homeboys (CC)		News (CC)		Desperate Housewives (CC)	Entertainment					
KSNK/NBC 3 (8)	News (N)	Wheel of Fortune	Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Figure Skating: ISU World Championships -- Ladies Free Skate. Los Angeles. (Live)		News (N)		Saturday Night Live Alec Baldwin, Jonas Brothers. (CC)	Boston Legal Legal Deficits (CC)					
KBSL/CBS 12 (11)	College Basketball: NCAA Tournament Regional Final -- Teams TBA. (Live) (CC)				NCIS Capitol Offense (CC)		48 Hours Mystery (CC)		News (N) (CC)	M*A*S*H (CC)	Boston Legal Legal Deficits (Part 1 of 2) (CC)				
K15CG 2 (2)	Sun-flower	Perfect Day (CC)	Keeping Up	As Time Goes By	The Lawrence Welk Show Roses		Ro-mance	New Red Green	Austin City Limits (CC)		College Gameday Scoreboard (Live)				
ESPN 28	Sports-Center		Baseball Tonight		Basket-ball		Women's College Basketball: NCAA Tourn. Regional Semifinal -- Teams TBA		SportsCenter (Live) (CC)		College Gameday Scoreboard (Live)				
USA 37	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: Criminal Intent		Law & Order: SVU				
TBS 38	Movie: Monster-in-Law (2005) A shrewish woman clashes with her son's fiancée.				Movie: My Big Fat Greek Wedding ★★ (2002, Romance-Comedy) Nia Vardalos.		WGN News at Nine (N) (CC)		Movie: The Wedding Date ★★ (2005) Debra Messing. (CC)		Movie: Aces III				
WGN 39	Boston Legal The Chicken and the Leg		Movie: Mickey Blue Eyes ★★½ (1999, Romance-Comedy) Hugh Grant. (CC)		WGN News at Nine (N) (CC)		Scrubs (CC)		Scrubs (CC)	Honey-mooners	Movie: Eraser				
TNT 40	(4:25) Movie: American Beauty		Movie: The Rock (1996) Alcatraz Island terrorists threaten to gas San Francisco.		Movie: Lethal Weapon 4 ★★ (1998) Detectives Riggs and Murtaugh battle Chinese mercenaries. (CC) (DVS)		Movie: Lethal Weapon 4 ★★ (1998) Detectives Riggs and Murtaugh battle Chinese mercenaries. (CC) (DVS)		Movie: Lethal Weapon 4 ★★ (1998) Detectives Riggs and Murtaugh battle Chinese mercenaries. (CC) (DVS)		Movie: Lethal Weapon 4 ★★ (1998) Detectives Riggs and Murtaugh battle Chinese mercenaries. (CC) (DVS)				
DSC 42	Dirty Jobs Food-related jobs. (CC)		Dirty Jobs Locomotive Builder		Dirty Jobs Diaper Cleaner (CC)		Dirty Jobs Spider venom. (CC)		Dirty Jobs Alligator Egg Collector (CC)		Dirty Jobs Locomotive Builder				
A&E 47	Bounty Hunter		Dog the Bounty Hunter (CC)		Dog the Bounty Hunter (CC)		Dog the Bounty Hunter (CC)		Bounty Hunter		Dog the Bounty Hunter (CC)				
HIST 48	Modern Marvels '90s Tech (CC)		Movie: Pearl Harbor ★★ (2001, War) Friends join a war effort after the Japanese attack Hawaii. Ben Affleck. (Premiere) (CC)		Nickelodeon's 22nd Annual Kids' Choice Awards (Live)		Nickelodeon's 22nd Annual Kids' Choice Awards (CC)		Home Improve.		Family Matters				
NICK 55	Spon-geBob	Spon-geBob	Nickelodeon's 22nd Annual Kids' Choice Awards (Live)		Pen-guins		Nickelodeon's 22nd Annual Kids' Choice Awards (CC)		Home Improve.		Family Matters				
DISN 56	Movie: Aladdin ★★½ (1992) Voices of Scott Weinger. (CC)		Movie: Mulan (1998) Animated. A Chinese maiden disguises herself as a man. (CC)		Cory in House		Zack & Cody		Hannah Montana		Life With Derek				
FAM 58	(5:00) Movie: Willy Wonka & the Chocolate Factory (1971)		Movie: The Incredibles ★★½ (2004, Adventure) Animated. A former superhero gets back into action.		America's Funniest Home Videos (CC)		Fresh Prince		Fresh Prince		Fresh Prince				
HALL 60	(4:00) Movie: King Solomon's Mines ★★ (2004, Adventure) Patrick Swayze. (CC)		Movie: Journey to the Center of the Earth (2008, Adventure) Rick Schroder.				Movie: Final Approach (2007, Suspense) Dean Cain, Anthony Michael Hall. (CC)								

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