

No-till and alternative cover crops workshop planned

Are you thinking about reducing the amount of tillage you do, but are not sure how to go about it? Would you like to spend less money on diesel fuel for farming? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then you should join us for the 'No-till and Cover/Alternative Crops' workshop.

The workshop will be Friday, Feb. 15, at the Community Center in Haxtun, Colo. The center is on the north end of Haxtun on Highway 59. Registration will begin at 9 a.m. The workshop will run from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch (meat and Lent options) will be provided.

There is no registration fee. Keith Berns and his brother farm south of Hastings at Bladen, Neb. They have been 100-percent continuous no-till for over 12 years. They have looked closely at cover crop water use and its affect on the following crop. They are both excited and encouraged at the results. Keith will share what they have learned about residue management and moisture efficiency in cover crops. You can learn more about cover crops on their website: greencoverseed.com

Scott Ravenkamp has been continuous crop no-till farming since

1999. They became 100 percent no-till in the last 4-5 years. He has just started trying cover/alternative crops and livestock grazing. Farming in the Hugo, Colo., area with a 14-inch rainfall, he is willing to try anything that makes some sense.

Scott will share why he chose no-till, how he transitioned to it, and why he continues to no-till. He will also share his 2012 experience with cover/alternative crops. Scott is currently the President of the Colorado Conservation Tillage Association.

The ins and outs of alternative crops and no-till will be the focus of Mark Watson's discussion. Mark is a Nebraska NoTill educator and long-time dryland and irrigated no-till farmer near Alliance, Neb. With the drought conditions, planting crops for forage instead of grain is worth considering, Mark said. Cropping options after irrigated winter wheat as another option for livestock feed will be explored. Mark will also share some planting equipment 'tricks of the trade.' You can learn more about Mark and no-till at panhandleontill.org.

Atwood farmer Dietrich Kastens will talk about the economics

around no-till rotations. The Kastens family has built their farming operation based on no-till with limited fallow. On their website (kastensinc.com/farminformation), they state, "The amazing part...is that even though we are increasing cropping intensity (crops per year), our yields are actually going up substantially." Dietrich will share practical considerations when adopting or managing a no-till system. (Translate: how not to repeat the same stupid mistakes I have made.)

The workshop will close with a panel of Eastern Colorado no-till farmers. They will share their no-till experiences and answer questions.

This workshop is sure to stir up some interesting ideas. There will be plenty of time for questions and discussion.

There is no registration fee, but you do need to reserve a lunch. Call 970-332-3173 ext. 3 or 970-854-2812 ext. 3 to save a plate in your name. You may also email julie.elliott@co.usda.gov by Feb. 8. Late registrations and walk ins are welcome, but will not be guaranteed lunch.

The Haxtun Conservation District, Sedgwick Conservation District, Yuma County Conservation District, and the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) are sponsoring this workshop.

Public Notices

Notice of hearing for the DeGood Estate

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF CHEYENNE COUNTY, KANSAS

In the Matter of the Estate of Coy D. DeGood, Deceased.

Case No: 2012-PR-12

NOTICE OF HEARING

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a petition has been filed in this Court by Dwen Dean DeGood and Lanny V. DeGood, the duly appointed, qualified and acting Co-Executors of the Estate of Coy L. DeGood, deceased, requesting that Petitioners' acts be approved; accounts be settled and allowed; the heirs be determined; the Will be construed and the Estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto; the Court find the allowances for attorneys' fees and expenses should be allowed; the costs be determined and ordered paid; the administration of the Estate be closed; upon the filing of receipts the Petitioners be finally discharged as the Co-Executors of the Estate of Coy L. DeGood, deceased, and the Petitioners be released from further liability.

You are required to file your written defenses to the petition on or before **February 1, 2013, at 9:00 a.m.** in the District Court, in St. Francis, Cheyenne County, Kansas at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the petition.

Dwen Dean DeGood
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Notice published for conservation meeting

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Notice of Annual Meeting Of The Cheyenne County Conservation District

To all qualified electors residing within the boundaries of the Cheyenne County Conservation District, notice is hereby given that pursuant to K.S.A. 2-1907, as amended on the 11th day of February, 2013 at 12:00 p.m. noon, an annual meeting of the Cheyenne County Conservation District will be held at the Cheyenne County 4-H Building at the Fairgrounds, St. Francis, Kansas.

The meeting agenda shall include the following business items:

ONE: The supervisors of the Cheyenne County Conservation District shall make full and due report of their activities and financial affairs since the last annual meeting.

TWO: The supervisors shall conduct an election by secret ballot of qualified electors there present, of one supervisor to serve for a term of three years from date of said meeting.

The term of Mark Keller is expiring.

All in the county of Cheyenne in the State of Kansas.

By Clint Bursch
Chairperson
Cheyenne County Conservation District

Attest
Jeanne Dunn
District Secretary/Manager



Idalia News

Monday, Jan. 28, 6 p.m. - The Idalia Lions Club will meet at the Grainary for dinner and a business meeting.

Blood pressure checks
Wednesday, Jan. 30, 9 a.m. Nicole Salmons, RN, BSN, from Wray Community Hospital, will be at the Prairie Vista Cafe to do blood pressure checks.

Dodgeball tournament
Sunday, Feb. 10, 1 p.m. - Idalia Dodgeball Tournament. Seven player, co-ed teams must register by Feb. 1. Registration packets can be picked up at the Idalia School office and the Prairie Vista Cafe. Proceeds will benefit the Idalia school Health & Wellness committee. For more information, call Jodi Morris, 719-343-5559.

Idalia Book Club
The Idalia Book Club has selected, The Art of Racing in the Rain, by Garth Stein, for the book to read in February. The Book

Club will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 19, 6 p.m., at St. John church for a potluck supper and discussion of the book. All readers are invited to attend!

St. John church news
The St. John Men's Bible Study meets weekly on Thursday at 7 a.m., under the leadership of Pastor Chuck Wright. They have just begun a study on I Timothy. All Idalia men are invited come enjoy the discussion and fellowship.

Idalia school news
Monday, Jan. 28. No school. Teacher in-service day.
Thursday, Feb. 7. FBLA Members Sale.



By Chuck Wright

Beecher Island News

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There were 52 at Sunday School and Kiley Rose gave the special number. Kristy and Trever Hurlbert and Preston Rose gave their birthday offerings. Sunday will be Communion and the annual election.

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Osmus spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Terry Bowman and family. Eunice Weed visited Bessie Dent Monday Jan. 7 in the afternoon. Eliane Crider and Betty Jo Rogers visited Jan. 10. Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen went to the stock show on Sunday. The Perry Allen family were Sunday evening visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen.

Gary and Sharilyn Mansfield

were among the 40th birthday party guests for Jennifer Mansfield in Golden on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Greg Allen and family were Saturday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Allen

Bessie Dent spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brown and Riley. Grant Brown joined them on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Allen had lunch Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Hurlbert



By Bessie Dent

YOU ARE INVITED TO MEET DR. JIMMY SITES
PRODUCER/HOST FOR THE AWARD-WINNING TV SHOW SPIRITUAL OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

MONDAY, JANUARY 28TH
SPIRITUAL OUTDOORS FOR THE FAMILY

A FREE DINNER EVENT!
6 p.m. - Dinner
7 p.m. - Hear Jimmy Sites share adventure stories from across the world

LOCATION: First Christian Church
118 E. Webster Street
St. Francis, KS 67756
Phone: 785-332-2956

Furniture - Antiques - Glassware - Kitchen - Appliances - Misc. - Garden/Shop

Roberta Linin Estate
ESTATE AUCTION
Sat., Feb. 2, 2013 - 9:30 a.m.
Sale Site: "Newly Remodeled" Bird City Legion Hall
Lunch will be served.

Furniture
Grandfather clock, wall clock
Drop-leaf kitchen table w/4 chairs
Round dining table w/6 chairs
4pc Queen bedroom set
3pc bedroom set
4pc bedroom set
Floral sofa
Numerous end tables, coffee tables
2 chairs w/matching ottoman, other chairs
Large storage cabinet & metal cabinet
Card tables & folding chairs
Office chairs
Lg console TV
RCA & Sony TV's (15" & 21")
Bookcase, mirrors
Toshiba TV & cabinet
2 and 4-drawer file cabinets
Lots of nice pictures & lamps
Patio table & chairs

Miscellaneous
Fancy tablecloths & doilies, etc.
Lots of costume jewelry
Numerous prints/pictures & wall hangings
Towels, hot pads, bath towels, blankets, sheet sets, etc.
Brooms, kitchen cleaners/supplies
Numerous Christmas decorations
BarBQ grill, ping-pong table
Coleman coolers, picnic basket
Artificial plants & flowers

Appliances
Oreck vacuum, sev upright vacuums
Kenmore washer/dryer set, very good
West-Bend 30cup coffee maker, sim coffee maker
Sunbeam mixer w/stainless steel bowls
Ostermeyer blender, crock pot, toaster, etc
GE microwave (like new)
Electric roaster
Floor fan

Glassware & Kitchen Related
Set of Christina porcelain (Seltmann Weiden) Bavarian china
Collection of Copenhagen plates (Denmark)
Sets of nice glasses, bowls, mugs & cups
Misc silverware & dishes, pitchers
Lots of misc, fancy dishes too numerous to mention
Comeware, casseroles, pyrex, etc.
Pie plates, pans, skillets, pots, roasters etc.
Cookie sheets, kitchen utensils, etc.

Garden/Shop
3HP Lawn Chief roto-tiller
22" B&D hedge trimmers, elec cords, misc. tools
Rakes, shovels, hoes, etc.

Antiques
Doll collection (nice), some porcelain
Thimble collection, state spoon collection
4qt butter churn
Antique trunk
Antique stroller
Hull USA H-13-1017 vase
Pink depression plates
2-gal crock & old covered bowl

Other items:
Buddy Lee doll
Brass coat rack
Ice cream chair
Magazine rack
Roseville 187-7 vase
Teacher desk bells (2)
Cream can

TERMS: Cash or Approved Check. Not responsible for accidents or articles after sale. All announcements day of sale shall take precedence over printed material.

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