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AA MEETINGS (NS): Sunday—Came to Believe 10 a.m. (O); Tuesday—Concordia Gateway Group 8 p.m. (C); Wednesday—Brown Baggers’ Meeting.-Noon (O), New Beginnings for Women 5:30 p.m. (C); Thursday—Primary Purpose Group 7 p.m. (C); Friday—Brown Baggers’ Meeting-Noon, Concordia Gateway Group 8 p.m. (O) - Speaker last Friday of each month and Sobriety Birthday Night; Saturday—Primary Purpose Group 7 p.m. (C)
NA MEETINGS (NS): Sunday—New Freedom 6 p.m. (O); Monday—New Freedom-Noon (O) and 6:30 p.m. (O); Tuesday—New Freedom-Noon (O); Wednesday—New Freedom 8 p.m. (O, BS); Thursday—New Freedom-Noon (O); Saturday—New Freedom 5 p.m. (O)
OA MEETINGS (NS): Friday—5:15 p.m. (O)
AL-ANON MEETINGS (NS): Monday—6:30 p.m. (O); Tuesday—8 p.m. (O)
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K-State

Cattle Chat: Adjusting calving window

K-State beef cattle scientist explains shortening the calving window for beef cattle herds

BY MADELINE DRAKE,
K-State Research and Extension news service

MANHATTAN, Kan. — Timing is the key to a successful calving season, but beef cattle producers often wonder how they can narrow the calving window, or the timeframe in which cows will be giving birth.

Speaking on a recent Cattle Chat podcast, K-State beef cattle scientist Bob Larson said a wide calving window poses two main challenges for producers:

Aligning calving with forage seasons, because forage must be adequate for the lactating cows.

Calves born early in the season have higher weight and value, thus a tighter calving season can produce more of these calves.

Larson said producers’ goal should be reproductive efficiency and notes that it can be very difficult to move late calving cows to calve earlier in the season.

“I would probably focus on developing replacement heifers so that all of my replacement heifers calve early, and over time cull the late bred cows,” Larson said.

When determining the length of the calving window, Larson suggests capping it at 70 days.

“Herds can have high reproductive efficiency within 65-70 days, which is the goal,” he said. “By breeding heifers early, turning out fertile bulls and aligning with forage seasons over a couple of years, producers can narrow that window.”

“In general, give yourself four or five years to move from that long window to a shorter calving

window.”

Larson and others also discussed whether synchronization efforts could assist in shortening the calving window. Larson said synchronization efforts would only work if the producer separated the herd into multiple calving groups.

“I don’t recommend doing that because the marginal gain is relatively small; it’s just a few cows each time I do that, that get moved forward,” Larson said.

Larson suggests penciling out cost implications when deciding what actions to take. “Each situation is different as there is not a one-size fits all solution for calving windows,” he said.

“You’ve added a lot of complexity and labor to cow management and (you need to determine if) that aligns with your other responsibilities,” Larson said.

To hear the full discussion, listen to Cattle Chat on your preferred streaming platform.

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KELSEY HATESOHL, HORTICULTURE AGENT
River Valley Extension District

K-State Garden Hour Watch Party

Join us for a fun, new event! Kelsey Hatesohl, River Valley Horticulture Agent, is partnering with the Belleville Public Library to host a watch party for the K-State Garden Hour. The K-State Garden Hour is a free webinar series hosted by K-State Research and Extension horticulture staff across the state. Kelsey will be showing the webinar live in the library meeting room (1327 19th Street, Belleville, KS 66935) and will be there to answer any horticulture related questions. This watch party will be for the next two months: May 7 and June 4. Each month, a new topic is covered. The May 7 topic is Heat-Loving Perennials for Kansas. The June 4 topic is Native & Ornamental Grasses of Kansas. Each webinar presentation is given live, with a 45-minute presentation and then 10-15 minutes for Q&A. The webinar will be from noon to 1 p.m. Questions regarding this watch party, please contact Kelsey Hatesohl at the Washington Extension Office at 785-325-2121 or email her at khatesohl@ksu.edu.

Sales Calendar

• **Saturday, April 26, 2025– Estate Auction 10:00 a.m. located at the National Guard Armory, Concordia, KS.** Furniture, Name-brand Tools, 2001 Ford Ranger Pickup with/ 59,000 miles. Gun Reloading Supplies, Gun Powder, Die sets, Brass Ammo. Kearn Auction, 785-243-3773 or 785-614- 2082. Go to kearnauction.com for a full listing and pictures. Web site www.kearnauction.com E-mail @ kearnauction@yahoo.com

• **Saturday, May 3, 2025– Sportsman Auction at 10 a.m. located at D.C. Firearms, 1693 N.160th Rd, Concordia, KS–** Kearn Auction House, in coordination with Derek Champlin of DC Firearms LLC, will be holding a consign-ment auction with over 100 Guns, a Large Assort-ment of Ammunition and Archery Equipment. DC Firearms will be conduct-ing background checks. To list an item, Contact Dannie Kearn Jr at (785) 614-4656 or Derek Cham-plin at (785) 243-0723.

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MARISSA HURST, 4-H/YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AGENT
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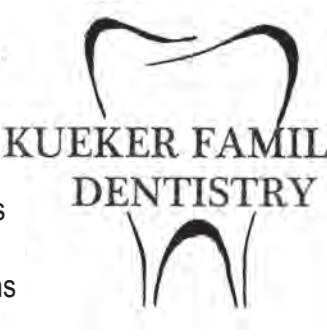
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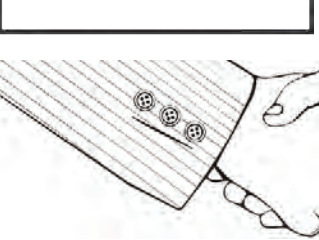
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Ten rules for planting trees this spring

K-State horticulture expert shares tips to set you up for success

K-State Research and Extension news service
MANHATTAN, Kan. — If you're planning to plant a tree in your yard this spring, there are some steps you can take to make sure your new landscape has its best chance of success.

Kansas State University horticulture expert Cynthia Domenghini shares the following 10 rules for planting trees:

Select the right tree for the site.

To avoid serious problems, choose trees that are adapted to your location. Consider whether the tree produces nuisance fruit or if there are disease-resistant varieties available. For example, there are a number of crabapple varieties that are resistant to apple scab and rust diseases. Also consider the mature size of a tree to be sure you have enough room. Your local extension office and garden center can make tree recommendations for your region.

Keep the tree well watered and in a shady location until planting.

When moving the tree, lift it by the root ball or pot and not by the trunk.

Before planting, remove all wires, labels, cords or anything else tied to the plant.

If left on, they may eventually girdle the branch to which they are attached.

Dig a proper hole.

Make the hole deep enough so the root flare (point where the trunk and roots meet) is visible when planted. Plant the tree on solid ground, not fill dirt. In other words, don't dig the hole too deep and then add soil back to the hole before placing the tree.

The width of the planting hole is very important. It should be three times the width of the root ball. Loosening the soil outside the hole so it is five times the

diameter of the root ball will allow the tree to spread its roots faster.

Remove all containers from the root ball.

Cut away plastic and peat pots; roll burlap and wire baskets back into the hole, cutting as much of the excess away as possible. If you can remove the wire basket without disturbing the root ball, do it. If roots have been circling around in the container, cut them and fluff them out so they do not continue growing in a circle inside the hole becoming girdling roots later.

Backfill the hole with the same soil that was removed.

Amendments such as peat moss likely do more



harm than good. Make sure the soil that goes back is loosened - no clods or clumps. Add water as you fill to ensure good root to soil contact and prevent air pockets. There is no need to fertilize at planting.

Minimize pruning after planting.

Foliage is necessary for manufacturing energy to support a healthy tree. Heavy pruning reduces the number of leaves and consequently the amount of energy generated. Corrective pruning can be done at planting to remove dead, damaged or diseased branches or branches that are rubbing against each other.

Water the tree thoroughly.

Then, water once a week for the first season if there is insufficient rainfall.

Mulch around the tree.

Mulch should be 2-4 inches deep and cover an area 2 to 3 times the diameter of the root ball. Avoid mulching right up to the trunk of the tree. Leave a 3 to 6-inch gap between the mulch and the trunk to prevent damaging the tree. Mulching reduces competition from other plants, conserves moisture and moderates soil temperature.

Stake only when necessary.

Larger trees or those in windy locations may need to be staked the first year. Movement is necessary for the trunk and roots to develop properly. Staking should be designed to limit movement of the root ball rather than immobilize the trunk.

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Lawn got you crabby? Time nears to apply preventers

K-State horticulture expert explains best practices for treating crabgrass

K-State Research and Extension news service
MANHATTAN, Kan. — A weed commonly found in Kansas lawns can sure make homeowners feel pretty crabby this time of year.

But applying an herbicide at the right time can help alleviate crabgrass problems, said Kansas State University horticulture expert Cynthia Domenghini.

"For most of Kansas, crabgrass typically begins to germinate around May 1 or a little later," Domenghini said. "April 15 is normally a good target date for applying crabgrass preventer because it gives active ingredients time to evenly disperse in the soil before germination starts."

Crabgrass preventers are another name for pre-emergence herbicides that prevent crabgrass seeds from developing into mature plants. "They do

not kill the weed seed or even keep the seed from germinating, but rather kill the young plant after it germinates," Domenghini said.

She added that most crabgrass preventers have no effect on existing plants, "so they must be applied before germination."

"Preventers do not last forever once applied to the soil. Microorganisms and natural processes begin to gradually break them down soon after they are applied. If some products are applied too early, they may have lost much of their strength by the time they are needed."

Domenghini said most crabgrass preventers are fairly ineffective after 60 days.

"Work with your local extension agency to decide which pre-emergence is right for you and determine when it should be applied," she said. "In

general, the proper time to apply a crabgrass preventer usually falls the same time that the Eastern Redbud tree -- known for its pretty pink flowers -- is in full bloom."

"We recommend homeowners apply crabgrass preventers before fertilizer so the grass isn't encouraged to put on too much growth too early," Domenghini said. "However, it may be difficult to find pre-emergent products without fertilizer."

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Turf Talk: Be proactive in crowding out weeds

How you manage your lawn makes a difference in keeping it healthy

BY PAT MELGARES,

K-State Research and Extension news service
MANHATTAN, Kan. — If the growing season sometimes seems like an ongoing battle to keep weeds out of your home lawn, Kansas State University horticultural expert Cynthia Domenghini has good news.

There's a better way.

Instead of constantly applying chemical treatments, Domenghini suggests taking a proactive approach to prevent weeds from growing in the first place. Some of the common reasons why weeds invade lawns include:

- Improper mowing. Mowing too low and too infrequently thins the turf, allowing weeds to get started.
- Improper watering. Frequent watering encourag-

es weed seed germination, disease, thatch and shallow-rooted turf that is less competitive with weeds for soil moisture and nutrients.

- Improper fertilizing. Fertilizing too much or too little or at the wrong time may benefit weeds more than grass.
- Compacted soil. Soil compaction is a hidden stress on the turfgrass root system. The grass is unable to compete effectively with weeds.
- Excessive wear. Turf areas used for recreation and sports are subject to wear and compaction.
- Wrong kind of grass. The wrong variety for the location will gradually decline and be invaded by weeds.
- Environmental stress. Weeds often take over a lawn after it has been weakened and thinned from

weather-related stress.

- Thatch. Excessive thatch causes shallow-rooted grass and contributes to insect and disease problems.

Domenghini said guidance on growing a healthy lawn that will crowd out existing weeds is available online in a K-State Research and Extension publication titled, Weed Control in Home Lawns.

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Lawn Calendar: Warm-season grasses in Kansas

K-State horticulture expert outlines tips for maintaining warm-season lawns

K-State Research and Extension news service
MANHATTAN, Kan. — While cool-season grasses are more common in Kansas, many parts of the state are more ideal for warm-season grasses, or those more tolerant of high temperatures and drought conditions.
Zoysiagrass, bermudagrass and buffalograss are the most common warm-season grasses in Kansas. Of these, buffalograss is thought to require less maintenance because it can survive with less water and fertilizer than the other two varieties.
The following calendar -- provided by K-State horticulture expert Cynthia Domenghini -- will give homeowners a good plan for maintaining warm-season grasses in Kansas.
March
Zoysiagrass and bermudagrass -- Spot treat broadleaf weeds, if necessary. Treat on a day that is 50 degrees Fahrenheit or warmer. Rain or irrigation within 24 hours of application will reduce its effectiveness.
Buffalograss -- Spot treat broadleaf weeds, if necessary; fall treatments are more effective. Spray early enough in March that the buffalograss is still dormant. Treat on a day that is 50 degrees F or warmer. Rain or irrigation within 24 hours of application will reduce its effectiveness.

April
Zoysiagrass and bermudagrass -- Apply crabgrass preventer between April 1 and 15, or apply preventer when the eastern redbud is approaching full bloom. Crabgrass preventers must be watered in before they will start to work.
Buffalograss -- Apply crabgrass preventer between April 1 and 15 or when the eastern redbud is in full bloom. Crabgrass preventers must be watered in before they will start to work. Avoid using broadleaf herbicides as the buffalograss is greening up, which may cause injury.
May through August 15
Zoysiagrass and bermudagrass -- Fertilize with one pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet. Follow recommendations on the bag. More applications will give a deeper green color, but will increase mowing and lead to thatch buildup in zoysiagrass. Bermudagrass can have problems with thatch buildup, but is less likely.
For bermudagrass, consider 2 to 4 applications. For zoysiagrass, consider 1 to 2 applications.
Depending on what you decide, the suggested timeframe for applications includes:
One application -- apply in June.
Two applications -- apply in May and July.
Three applications -- apply in May,

June and early August.
Four applications -- apply in May, June, July and early August.
June
Zoysiagrass and bermudagrass -- If grubs have been a problem in the past, apply a product containing imidacloprid (May through June) or chlorantraniliprole (May). These products must be watered in before they are effective. June is a good time to core aerate a warm-season lawn.
Buffalograss -- Fertilize with 1 pound of nitrogen per 1,000 square feet. If desired, fertilize again in July. If grubs have been a problem in the past, apply a product containing imidacloprid (May through June) or chlorantraniliprole (May). These products can also be applied in mid-May if there are problems with billbugs or May beetle grubs.
Late July through August
Zoysiagrass and bermudagrass -- Apply a grub killer if you see grub damage. If imidacloprid has been applied previously, this should not be necessary. Grub killers must be watered in immediately.
Buffalograss -- Apply a grub killer if you see grub damage. If imidacloprid has been applied previously, or if grubs have not been a problem in the past, this should not be necessary. Grub killers must be watered in immediately.
Late October
Zoysiagrass and bermudagrass --

Spray for broadleaf weeds if they are a problem. Treat on a day that is at least 50 degrees F. Rain or irrigation within 24 hours reduces the effectiveness of the spray. Use the rates listed on the product label.
Buffalograss -- Spray for broadleaf weeds if they are a problem. Look carefully because such winter annuals as chickweed and henbit are small and easily overlooked. Work with your local extension agencies for control recommendations. Treat on a day that is at least 50 degrees F. Rain or irrigation within 24 hours reduces the effectiveness of the spray. Use the rates listed on the product label.
"Now is a great time to get the soil tested to determine nutrient levels," Domenghini said. "The best start to a healthy lawn is healthy soil. Wait to apply fertilizers until you know what your turfgrass needs. This step can save homeowners time and money."
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**Kindergarten Graduation
2025**



**Let's Celebrate the Concordia
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Send in a photo of your Kindergartner
along with the answers to the
following questions to
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or drop it by the office at
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The cost is \$30 to include your Child

1. Name?
2. Son/daughter of ?
3. Kindergartner Teacher's name?
4. Favorite thing about Kindergarten?
5. What I want to be when I grow up?



Submissions are due on
Wednesday, May 7, 5 p.m.

**Mark
your
calendar!**



Saturday, June 7th

**The Blade-Empire is the official organizer of the
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We have a sales kit that includes signs, a sales tracker sheet, your sale
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