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Kansas Equine Economic Impact Survey
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Whether you are an individual horse owner or an equine business, current and accurate equine economic impact data is critical to the sustainability and future of the equine industry in Kansas because it can:

- **Protect against reclassification** of horses from livestock to companion animals
- **Attract businesses**, support services and product development
- **Promote equine industry growth** opportunities within Kansas
- **Justify state supported infrastructure**, like State Fair Expo improvements
- **Encourage continued development** and expansion of equine specific university programs and associated **curriculums**
- **Endorse investment into equine specific employment opportunities**, to include a State Equine Extension Specialist

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KLA Today

November 10, 2021

Congress Passes Legislation Important To Livestock Haulers

The U.S. House of Representatives recently passed the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, which included an additional 150 air-mile exemption for livestock haulers on the destination of hauls. This is a provision KLA and NCBA have been actively pursuing and one that will provide some much-needed flexibility.

Current hours-of-service (HOS) rules allow for 11 hours of drive time, 14 hours of on-duty time, and then require 10 consecutive hours of rest. When transporting livestock, there is a real need for further flexibility beyond the current hours-of-service. Unlike drivers moving consumer goods, livestock haulers cannot simply idle or unload their trucks when drive time hours run out without jeopardizing animal health and welfare. This new provision would allow livestock haulers to drive with no HOS restrictions once they are within 150 air miles of their destination.

The legislation already was passed by the U.S. Senate and now awaits the president's signature.

Hear more from KLA in the latest news [video](#).

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Kansas Representing at the National Finals Rodeo!

At this year's Wrangler National Finals Rodeo, 3 Kansas cowboys have been competing for the chance at a world championship title!



Jess Pope

Hometown: Waverly, KS

Competes in the Bareback Riding. He currently sits #2 in the world standings.

Jess is a 2x WNFR qualifier and has earned \$239,913.

Jake Long

Hometown: Coffeyville, KS

Competes in Team Roping , Heeler.

He currently sits #3 in the world standings on the Heeling side.

Jake is a 11x WNFR qualifier and has earned \$173,371.



Buddy Hawkins II

Hometown: Columbus, KS

Competes in Team Roping, Heeler.

He currently sits #11 in the world standings on the Heeling side.

Buddy is a 3x WNFR qualifier and has earned \$115,418.



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2021 Upcoming Events and Calendar

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Calendar of Submitted Events

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support two
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makes sense!

Coming Soon-early January-
“**Anatomy for the Ride**”- a virtual HC101
Webinar that you can watch at your
convenience free of charge. Link access
will be available on KHC website through
KSU College of Veterinary Medicine CE

HORSE CARE 101

COMING SOON!

Online portal provided by the Office of
Alumni Affairs and Events.

Webinar features Dr. Sue Dyson, Past President of the British Equine Veterinary Assn. bringing her wealth of knowledge about equine behaviors while tacking up which may indicate potential issues, as well as suitability of rider size for optimal horse performance, also from KSU Vet Med we have Dr. Dylan Lutter covering equine lameness and the use of chiropractic applications, and Dr. Judith Klimek on equine anatomy and feeling for issues. Finally, we hope to have KSU Rodeo Coach Windy Winn providing saddle fitting pointers.

Watch for the link to be available in
January!

Equine Collaborative International

Winter Webinar Series

This webinar series has a long line-up of multiple equine industry professionals that will cover a multitude of topics from wild horses to equine advocacy on the hill.

There are a limited number of seats in each webinar room, so register ASAP if you are interested!

Series Prices (all sessions):

\$25: Non-members of ECI

\$15: Members of ECI

Single Presentation Prices:

\$15: Non-members of ECI

\$10: Members of ECI

This webinar series will start January 4, 2022 and go until April 5, 2022.

The list of topics along with backgrounds on each presenter are listed below:

[ECI Webinar Schedule](#)

[Presenter Biographies](#)



Broodmares Require Fall and Wintertime Attention

By Frank J. Buchman

Foals are weaned and broodmares are generally out in the pasture waiting with their owners for new babies come spring.

While daily feeding and observation are customary, most owners often become relaxed in broodmare attention during the fall and winter. Yet, additional management has been suggested by Dr. Laurie Lawrence, animal scientist specializing in equine reproduction. “It’s a good idea to check broodmares by ultrasound or palpation to confirm that their pregnancy is progressing normally,” Lawrence recommended.

Often, a horse breeder doesn’t know a mare lost her pregnancy until she doesn’t foal in the spring. “Unfortunately, about 15 percent of broodmares safe in foal earlier lose their pregnancies each fall,” Lawrence said. “This is too late in the breeding season to determine the cause of the lost pregnancy and rebreed the mare. As a result, the owner loses an entire year.”

Still, there are a number of things broodmare owners should do for mares that are safe in foal, Lawrence indicated. Many mares drop in body condition each fall due to decreased good quality pasture and the onset of cold weather. “Demands on the mare by the fetus won’t require increased feed until the last one-third of pregnancy,” Lawrence explained. “However, the energy required to keep warm will increase.”

A mare in good condition will provide adequate milk for her foal and breed back quicker than a thin mare. “Mares should have a level back and slight fat cover over the ribs,” Lawrence described. “Fat should be evident along each side of the mare’s neck and behind her shoulders.” However, a mare should not be overweight. “Fat mares tend to produce less milk than moderately fleshy mares, and their foals gain less

weight,” Lawrence pointed out.

A healthy mare in good flesh will gain 9-12 percent of her original body weight during pregnancy. For example, a 1,100-pound mare should gain roughly 100-130 pounds during the course of gestation. “She should gain two-thirds of the weight in the final three months before foaling, often requiring supplemental feed,” Lawrence said.

The American Association of Equine Practitioners recommends fecal egg count testing as a basis for parasite control. “In general, a minimum of spring and fall deworming treatments should be considered for all pregnant mares,” Lawrence advised. Four to six weeks prior to the expected foaling date, mares should be vaccinated to prevent diseases. Recommended vaccinations include tetanus, Eastern and Western Equine encephalomyelitis (sleeping sickness), West Nile virus, Rabies, Equine influenza and equine herpes. “The vaccines benefit both mare and foal as the mare passes disease antibodies through her colostrum to the newborn,” Lawrence explained. Mid-to-late pregnancy mares should receive rhinopneumonitis (rhino) vaccinations. “Typically, pregnant mares are vaccinated during their fifth, seventh and ninth months of pregnancy for rhino abortion protection,” Lawrence said. An alternate program is to vaccinate for rhino every other month once the mare becomes pregnant. Other common vaccinations that might be considered include Strangles, Potomac horse fever, and botulism.

Lights can be used to hasten transition to estrus in open mares and shorten the gestation period in bred mares. “A bright lighting program should start in December for at least 16 hours daily,” Lawrence said. “This may cause mares to shed hair early requiring blanketing during cold conditions.”

If a mare is to go across state lines for breeding or rebreeding, a health certificate is typically required. “Early winter is a good time to draw blood for equine infectious anemia testing,” Lawrence suggested.

Fescue pastures and hay can be a problem for broodmares. Fescue is sometimes infected with an endophyte fungus producing a mycotoxin causing prolonged gestation, foaling problems and low milk production. “Remove pregnant mares from fescue pastures 60-90 days prior to their anticipated foaling date,” Lawrence recommended. “The medication Domperidone can help counteract effects of fescue toxicosis during the last 25-30 days prior to foaling.” However, an infected mare, even following preventive treatment, still might not produce adequate colostrum. “It’s always a good idea to have some frozen colostrum on hand for the newborn foal,” Lawrence said.

Now is a good time to inventory foaling and breeding related supplies to ensure they’re available when the mare foals. “Evaluate foaling areas to make sure there are no hazards for the mare or newborn foal,” Lawrence recommended. “Develop an emergency plan with your veterinarian for your mares, and place emergency numbers near the phone.”

Congratulations to the Newly Elected KHC Board Members!

Molly Olson

Molly moved to Kansas 4 years ago and immediately started working within the horse industry. She is a member of AQHA, Saddle and Sirloin Club, American Royal, and EKHA.



She has been involved with many Ranch Rodeo committees throughout these Associations including EquiFest for the past 3 years, which she will continue as we welcome her to the Kansas Horse Council Board!

Frank J. Buchman

Frank is no stranger to the equine world. He has showed, trained, competed, and owned horses all of his life. Frank is a member of AQHA, KHC, EKHA, NEKSAG, KSHSC, Black Jack Saddle Club, Valley Falls Saddle Club, Douglas County Trail Riders, Morris Co. Youth Rodeo Association, Flint Hills Extension Board, and Morris Co. Fair Board.

Frank is a writer and photographer, having work published in 36 publications; 5 of which are national horse publications. We are very happy to have him on our board!



Jenifer Stalder

Jenifer was born and raised around horses. She has a love for them and wants to help educate other of the industry. She participates in trail rides, Equifest, along with many other equine events throughout the year.

She is also Secretary for the recently organized Tuttle Creek Chapter of the BCH-KS. We are



very excited to welcome her to the board!

Equifest of Kansas 2022

KANSAS HORSE
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Equifest of Kansas 2022

March 18th, 19th, and 20th
Saline Co. Expo & Tony's Pizza Event Center in Salina, KS
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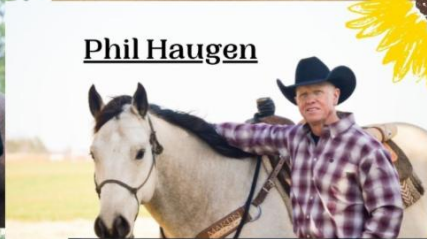
Bring your friends and family and be entertained with
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2022 Clinicians

Chris Cox



Phil Haugen



Michael Gascon



Trixie Chicks

Lawrence Christmas Parade and KHC Annual Meeting Recap

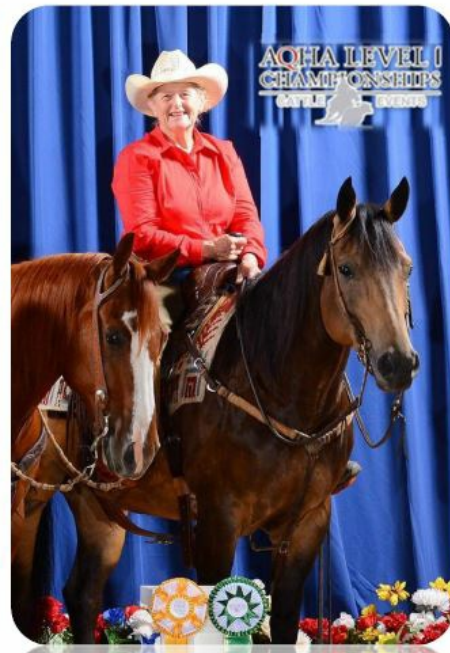
On Saturday December 4th, Kansas Horse Council members had the opportunity to ride in the Lawrence Old Fashioned Christmas Parade. We had roughly 24 members participate in the parade!



Directly following the parade, the Kansas Horse Council held the Annual Meeting. We served soup and sides for lunch, recognized accomplishments and presented awards. Lastly, elections were held for new Board Member Positions! 30 attended the annual meeting.



2021 Bud Newell Award
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Wild By: Del Sheilds

I felt her muscles tense
beneath me. But she walked
on without resistance, fear,
or fight.

Her eyes locked intently on
before her. What intrigued
her lay just out of sight.

As our vision broke over the
canyon, the wind blew hard
on our face.

Then three hundred ears perked straight in alert, as six hundred hooves started to pace.

We sat there in awe of this glorious view. It's a sight very few men ever see.

Chills shivered down my spine. It erased all sense of time.

For a moment, I, like them, felt wild and free.

I could feel her nerves vibrating; this mare on which I sat. And I wondered of her thought inside her mind.

I pondered if she knew of their history and their fears.

Did she sense that she and they were one in kind?

In an instant came retreat. Up the hill they ran. Their pounding hooves like

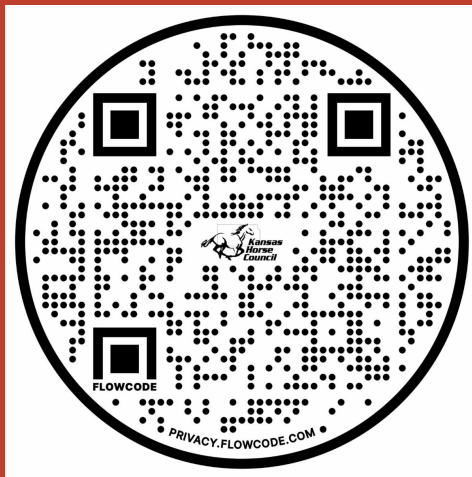
thunder did resound.

Their tails and manes flowed magically. No words can tell this scene. A poet to describe it, can't be found.

I, in leather saddle sat, to witness this rare sight; what my Maker made majestic, free, and wild.

As they dissolved over crested hill, my spirit wrapped in thrill. My countenance broke free in raptured smile.

Today they're just a memory. These El Mustango, Hippo, the Mustang, I did see. But it's branded in my mind. No man can steal this treasure. I alone possess this golden key.



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March 30, 2021

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Kansas Horse Council Announces Equine Economic Impact Survey

MANHATTAN, Kansas — The Kansas Horse Council, with support from the Kansas Department of Agriculture, is seeking equine owners across Kansas to participate in an Equine Economic Impact survey to generate data and information regarding this segment of the Kansas livestock industry.

The equine industry in Kansas is relatively small, compared to production livestock; however, equine ownership positively impacts the Kansas economy and should be recognized for its contributions. The equine sector in Kansas is an evolving sector that typically includes all forms of Equidae (sometimes known as the horse family) and may include educational, artistic, sport, leisure, therapeutic, and working classes of equines.

As part of the Kansas Ag Growth Strategy, leaders from throughout the Kansas equine industry collaborated in the development and implementation of long-term strategic growth goals with input and discussion among key stakeholders. One published outcome includes completing an economic impact study which led to development of the Equine Economic Impact survey.

The purpose of this survey is to assess the current economic contributions of the equine sector to Kansas. The equine sector is an economically diverse industry, and this survey will include all horse ownership regardless of use. Direct ownership provides a ripple effect supporting sales and service industries by virtue of adjunct needs, such as grain, hay, transport services, real estate, fuel, truck/trailer/tires service and sale, veterinary, farrier and so forth. Information may help identify opportunities for new niche markets or expansion of existing business and services where needs might be identified. Data should reveal relevant information to help update labor statistics in the equine industry.

The Equine Economic Impact survey is voluntary. The survey will be open through December. To take the survey, please visit www.tinyurl.com/equineks. If you have a disability and are unable to complete the survey, but wish to participate, please contact Justine Staten at 785-776-0662 or director@kansashorsecouncil.com to receive a written survey or to take the survey over the telephone.

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[LINK TO KANSAS EQUINE ECONOMIC SURVEY HERE!](#)

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and proof of insurance will need to be provided.

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Pratt Cowboy Scores Big At Mulvane Joining His Dad As A World Champion Steer Roper By Frank J. Buchman

Most dads like for their sons to follow their interests in life. They typically don't even mind if their son is actually better than they are. That's the way it is with Rocky Patterson, a world renowned professional steer roper from

Pratt. His son Cole Patterson, with the very best teacher in the world, has followed in his dad's boot steps.

Cole Patterson, also of Pratt, became the world champion steer roper climaxing the National Finals Steer Roping (NFSR) at Mulvane. Claiming his first world championship gold buckle in the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association, Cole even had to beat his dad. He did so quite handily in the two-day, ten-head yearend championship finale. Yet, Cole Patterson, 26, is still a major distance behind Rocky Patterson in professional steer roping accomplishments.

Rocky Patterson, 56, has won four world champion steer roper titles while qualifying for the yearend finals 26 times. This was the third time Cole has qualified for the finals, and his first world championship buckle.

Coming into the finals with a \$39,415 lead in regular season standings, Cole was never threatened to claim his first career world title. Cole earned an NFSR-record \$85,726 to finish atop the world standings with \$190,242, a single-season steer roping earnings mark. That broke the single-season steer roping earnings record of \$142,350 set by his father Rocky in 2016.

"The hardest one to get is the first gold buckle and to get it this early is big," Cole Patterson told the Pro Rodeo News following his major

accomplishment. "A lot of work has gone into this," Cole said. "I want to try and reflect on everything. To think just four years ago I was learning how to do this."

His NFSR earnings broke the mark of \$70,651 set by Cody Lee, Gatesville, Texas, in 2016. Cole Patterson also won the average with a 97.7-seconds time on nine head to collect \$27,347. Scott Snedecor, Fedricksburg, Texas took second place in the world standings with \$95,951, which was \$94,291 behind Cole Patterson.

Rocky Patterson finished 10th in the world standings this year with \$63,029. Still, Rocky has won world steer roping championships in 2009-10, 2012 and 2016. Unofficially, he's collected more than a million dollars as a professional rodeo steer roper.

The Pattersons are the third father and son to win steer roping world titles. They join John McEntire (1934) and Clark McEntire (1956-57, 1961) and Charles Good (1975) and Gary Good (1979).

Rocky was quite pleased to have his son win the world championship like he has done before. "Watching Cole win a gold buckle is something else," Rocky said. "It is special to get to compete with him and then get to watch him put on a dominating performance. You can teach anybody to do this, but they have to be willing to bang their head against the wall." Feeling was mutual for his world champion son. "Anytime I get to rope with my dad, I try not to take it for granted," Cole said. "He's one of the best to ever do it and he taught me everything. I couldn't ask for a better teacher, a better dad. He's helped me every step of the way."

Cole was riding Tigger, 16, the 2021 Steer Roping Horse of the Year as recognized by the American Quarter Horse Association. "A lot of what I have been able to do comes back to this horse," Cole said. "I feel like I have an unfair advantage when I saddle Tigger. That's not a knock on anybody else's horse. There are so many good horses, but this horse definitely has something special about him."

Cole placed second in Round 1 (10.3 seconds); fourth in Round 2 (12.2); and then won Round 3 (9.5). He followed that up with second-place finishes in Round 4 (11.2) and Round 5 (9.9). Failing to place in Round 6, Cole rebounded to take fourth in Round 7 (11.6). Then, he clocked 9.9-seconds to win Round 8. In Round 9, Cole took third with 11.2-seconds.

The only drama left for Cole in Round 10 was to see if he could beat the NFSR 10-head average record. Trevor Brazile, Decatur, Texas, roped and tied ten head in 111.3-seconds at the 2015 finals. Cole needed a 13.5-seconds run, and he came up short with a no time. "Missing that last one is probably going to keep me up a few nights," Cole said. "That just shows how good Trevor Brazil is." Cole still won the average and he and Rocky became the fifth father and son to accomplish that feat.

Completing the top 15 yearend 2021 PRCA steer roping placings: Snedecor, \$95,951; Jess Tierney, Hermosa, South Dakota, \$89,646; J. Tom Fisher, Andrews, Texas; \$88,401; Chet Herren, Pawhuska, Oklahoma, \$84,371; Slade Wood, New Ulm, Texas, \$82,307; Vin Fisher, Andrews, Texas, \$73,599; Landon McClaugherty, Tilden, Texas, \$71,757; Thomas Smith, Barnsdall, Oklahoma, \$67,398; Rocky Patterson, \$63,029; Taylor Santos, Creston, California, \$55,810; Cash Myers, Kansas native from Welda now of Athens, Texas, \$55,730; Cody Lee, Gatesville, Texas, \$51,571; Garrett Hale, Snyder, Texas, \$51,504; and Mike Chase, McAlester, Oklahoma, \$44,471.



BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF KANSAS

What's the best way to stay informed of BCHKansas news and activities?

Follow Facebook.

There are several Facebook pages set up to keep BCHKansas members and all equestrians up-to-date on activities on several of our public trails. Here's a list:

Back Country Horsemen of America Kansas Chapter
Sunflower Chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Kansas
Saddle Ridge Chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Kansas
Tuttle Creek Chapter of Back Country Horsemen of Kansas

Saddle Ridge Chapter
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Receive notifications of workdays or see reports on trails-maintenance or campground improvements. Join in on workdays whenever possible!

Follow the www.bchkansas.com website.

Encourage a new member to join BCHKS and be entered into an end-of-year drawing.

NOTES FROM BCH-KS TO MEMBERS:

Have you completed the **Equine Economic Impact Survey**? You still have a couple of weeks to complete this valuable survey. Information on the impact equestrian owners have on the economy in Kansas has not been collected since the 1990's! Go to: www.tinyurl.com/equineks.

While supplies last, **BCHKS LED flashlights** will be given to members who get 2022 dues paid in a timely manner.

BCHKS and BCHA have **grant opportunities** available! Be thinking of how a little bit of grant money might fix an existing problem on one of your favorite trails. Check with the local Friends group or the park manager, first; then, let one of your officers know if you'd like help with the application.

If you've been doing any trail work this year, please **send me your volunteer hours** by December 31. We total all of the hours each year, and share that info with our public land managers. It's really had an impact, when they see our dedicated efforts to preserve trails on our Kansas public lands!

The **BCHKS Annual Meeting** is scheduled for **January 22**, at the Flint Hills Saloon & Eatery in Council Grove. Come at noon to eat; meeting will start at 1pm. Barb Stambrough, groundskeeper for the Allegawaho Memorial Heritage Park near Council Grove, will share history on the Santa Fe Trail and its connection to the Council Grove area.

Have you marked your calendars for **Equifest of Kansas**? March 18-20, Salina, Ks. Chris Cox, Phil Hagen, Michael Gascon, Trixie Chicks are confirmed, so far! BCHKS will be front and center with our informational booth in the main lobby of Tony's Pizza Event Center. Make plans to attend.

The **National BCHA Annual Meeting** will finally be held live and in person in Kansas City, April 9-13. Stay tuned for more info.

Contact a state officer if you have questions or need more info.

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Kansas Farm Bureau Updates



The American Farm Bureau Foundation for Agriculture is looking for orchards, pumpkin patches, corn mazes, and more to showcase on a new app dedicated to connecting consumers with agritourism venues. The American Farm Trail app, created by the Foundation and sponsored by Corteva, allows farmers, ranchers, and farm attraction managers to sign up for free to showcase their agritourism venue. This app will help farms and attractions promote their business, history, and available products.

The Foundation plans to launch the app in the Spring of 2022.

If you would like more information about this project, please visit the link below:

[American Farm Trail](#)

Kansas FFA Membership Reach An All Time High

Kansas FFA reached a goal of having 10,000 members statewide. This had been a goal for the organization but in 2021 was finally reached!



KANSAS FFA

On October 3rd, in a Facebook post, the Association stated "We are excited to announce that for the first time in our association history, we have over 10,000 FFA members across the state of Kansas! Many programs are creating unique and innovative programming for members, and those experiences wouldn't be possible without our many sponsors and supporters. Here's to chapters and programs building the next generation of Kansas leaders!"

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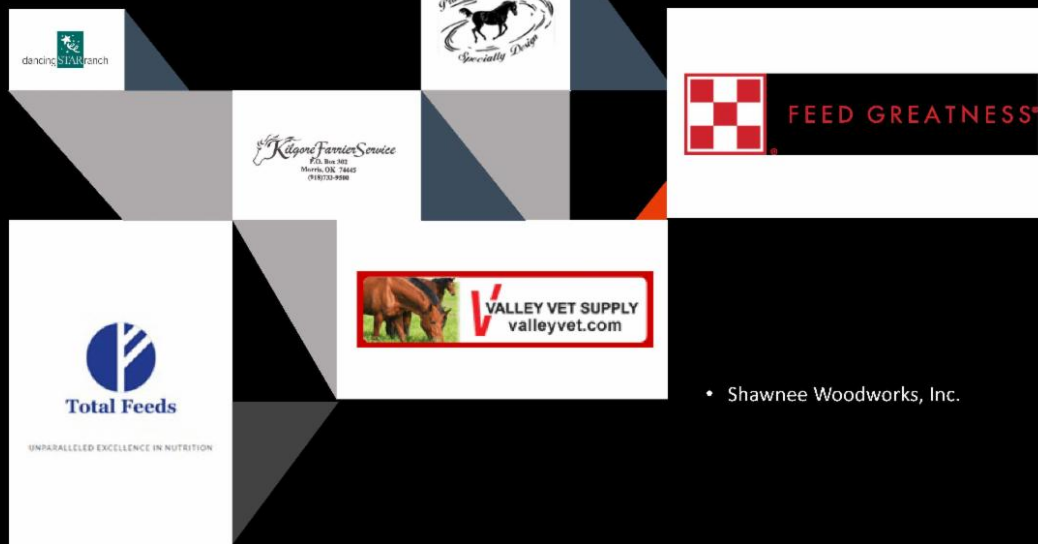
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Kansas Cowboy Hall Of Fame Inducts Six For Integrity, Honesty, Self-Sufficiency By Frank J. Buchman

Six cowboys have been honored as new inductees into the Kansas Cowboy Hall of Fame at Dodge City. "Each one personifies the cowboy ideals of integrity, honesty and self-sufficiency," said Lara Crofts, Boot Hill Museum executive director. "This is so exciting celebrating those who made significant contributions to our western heritage," said Kim Goodnight, Hall of Fame chairman.

Kathie Bell, curator of the Boot Hill Museum, where inductees are recognized in permanent displays assisted with the ceremonies. It was an especial evening as both the 2020 and 2021 inductees were presented in the inspirational power point program. Although the previous year's class received widespread acknowledgement at that time, the coronavirus forced cancelation of a public recognition.

Last year's inductees: O.E. "Bud" Alexander, Council Grove, rancher/cattleman; Charles "Walter" Couch, Kingsdown, cowboy historian; Keith L. Downer, Garden City, working cowboy; Faye (Peck) Heath, Junction City, rodeo cowgirl; and John E. "Cowboy Jack" Steinmitz, Dodge City, cowboy entertainer.

This year's honorees were Bill Brewer, Madison, working cowboy; Michael Grauer, Oklahoma City, cowboy historian; Lawrence and Gilbert Krier, Ashland, ranchers/cattlemen; Wendell Tranter, Eskridge, rodeo cowboy; and Dr. R.C. Trotter, Dodge City, cowboy entertainer.

Bill Brewer, Working Cowboy

William Martin Brewer, a former slave, came to Kansas in 1870 driving horses and settled in Greenwood County. Born at Louisville, Kentucky, in 1854, Brewer bore the whip scars from his former masters. Working for area ranchers, Brewer's cowboy talents soon were renowned eventually becoming James Bradfield's foreman. A home was built by Bradfield for Brewer to live in which was quite the opportunity for a black man.

Those reflecting Brewer's livestock handling ability claimed he could make a team of strong mules behave by talking to them. "He worked cattle with the best, and was never thrown off any bucking horse," it is said. In charge of the Bradfield Ranch sheep herd, Brewer had a well-trained dog which could find sheep where ever hidden. Brewer was also remembered as an excellent cook and a top poker player which sometimes helped him pay bills.

A big man, Brewer was known for his fighting ability, often for his own protection, although he never started a fight. At the age of 68, Brewer boxed in an exhibition to raise money for the Olpe School. Late in life, Brewer was employed by Paul Lamoureux in Lyon County becoming a devout Catholic upon the family's

encouragement. Dying and buried at Olpe in 1938, "Bill was a true cowboy, always the only black cowboy in an all-white world."

Michael Grauer, Cowboy Historian

"As soon as I could read, I devoured any book on the American West, cowboys, and American Indians," Michael Grauer said. Born at Kansas City in 1961, Grauer of Oklahoma City wanted to be a cowboy on his grandparent's Marysville farm. By the time he was three, Grauer was horseback on his Shetland pony named Gunsmoke and already learning to rope.

After high school graduation in 1979, Grauer earned painting and advanced art history degrees. He worked at the Smithsonian American Art Museum before becoming curator of Western heritage at the Historical Museum in Canyon, Texas.

In 2018, Grauer became curator of cowboy collections and Western art at the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum in Oklahoma City. Curating more than 150 exhibits and authoring about 65 publications, Grauer has received numerous accolades. He served as adjunct lecturer in Western American Studies at West Texas A&M.

Grauer is president of the Western Cattle Trail Association and vice president of the International Chisholm Trail Association. He's a director of the Kansas Cowboy Hall of Fame, and the National Drovers Hall of Fame. Serving on the research committee for the National Cowgirl Hall of Fame, Grauer lectures on art, history, and culture across the American West. Receiving the Best Western Art Book Award in 2020, Grauer also performs a living history cowboy presentation called "Cowboy Mike."

Lawrence and Gilbert Krier, Ranchers/Cattlemen

Lawrence Krier was born at Atchison in 1900 and married Josephine Fladung at Olpe in 1921. During World War II he moved to Clark County and partnered with Arnold Berends to form Krier Ranch at Ashland. Lawrence brought bull calves from Arizona and New Mexico and fattened them for market. If the cattle came into Minneola, they were driven through town with dogs chasing them.

Cattle were shipped by rail to Kansas City while owners rode for free in the caboose. In 1948, Lawrence leased the Gabbert Ranch switching from yearlings to a cowherd. In the 1980s, Lawrence crossbred Herefords with Angus to do away with dehorning and cancer eye. Lawrence died on November 13, 1984.

Born in 1927 at Olpe, son Gilbert continues his father's legacy. After serving the Marines, Gilbert worked for the Santa Fe Railroad and then attended Kansas State University for a semester. There he met Mary Lincoln who became his wife upon marriage at Emporia in 1949.

In 1952, Gilbert moved his family to the Krier Ranch to assist his father. He also worked for other ranchers and in the oil fields. During his early ranching career, Gilbert competed in calf roping at local rodeos. Cattle operations expanded with leasing of the LX Ranch in 1960. Still riding horses when he was 85-years-old, Gilbert continues ranching with two sons.

Wendell Tranter, Rodeo Cowboy

"Whoever wrote 'Mama don't let your babies grow up to be cowboys' sure as heck never met Wendell Tranter," insisted a Tranter acquaintance. Born at Eskridge in 1928, Tranter as a youth was readily found on horseback helping Flint Hills ranchers with cattle. Serving in the Army during the Korean War, Tranter married Marlys Cary and they had two children Andie and Tracie.

Returning to Eskridge, Tranter worked as a cowboy while building fence, pens and chutes. Counting cattle off rail cars, Tranter then helped round up and load them back on trains in the fall. Helping cattle owners throughout the Flint Hills, Tranter looked after cattle personally on 5,000 acres annually. He broke and trained his own horses and trained horses for other ranchers.

Tranter championed in calf roping, team roping and wild cow milking at rodeos. He was instrumental in founding the Eskridge Labor Day Rodeo in the early 1950s with Ed Van Petten and Bob Widau. With the assistance of Joe and Parker Warren, and Charlie Waugh, Tranter was largely responsible for the arena's construction. He was honored for more than 50 years' service to the Eskridge Labor Day Rodeo which continues annually.

In 1980, Tranter became ranch manager for the Kansas division of the Pitchfork

Land & Cattle Company. Managing local operations for 30 years, Tranter passed away in 2013.

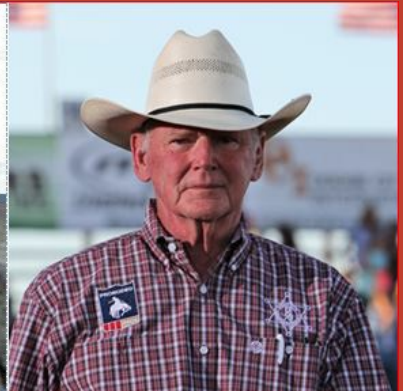
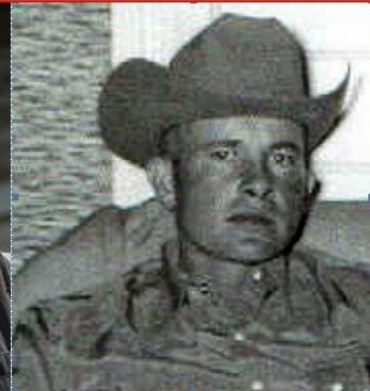
Dr. R.C. Trotter, Cowboy Entertainer

"It has been my honor and privilege to serve Dodge City, my birthplace, as a member and president of the Dodge City Roundup Committee." Roger C. "R.C." Trotter was born at Dodge City in 1947. He grew up in small towns around Kansas with admiration for livestock. Trotter attended Sterling College playing football and running track, then marrying Mary Creswell in 1969.

Graduating from the Kansas University School of Pharmacy in 1971, Trotter earned his doctor's degree from the KU Medical School in 1974. Starting his practice at Minneola, Dr. Trotter moved to Dodge City in 1982. Being trained in sports medicine, "Doc" saw the need for a physician at the Dodge City Roundup Rodeo.

Still, Trotter purchased his own admission ticket and "hung out" with emergency technicians he knew from working in the hospital. Eventually the rodeo committee constructed a medical building behind the grandstands where Trotter served 20 years as a physician. A community leader, Trotter was vice-president of the committee before accepting reins and continuing to serve as president.

Under Trotter's leadership, the Dodge City Roundup Rodeo has grown in contestant numbers and payback with many arena improvements. The rodeo has been inducted into the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame and named the "Best North American Rodeo" by USA Today newspaper. Trotter has also received the Kansas Tourism Association's Kansas Finest Award.



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