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Message:
Kent Henderson,
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Greetings,

I hope everyone at the convention enjoyed it. I thought it went off pretty well. Thanks to the members that made it. I am not the best at making sure I say hello to everyone, that is something for me to work on next year. Thank You to our Associates, I was never hungry or thirsty!

This was the second convention with an exciting Chiefs game on Sunday evening. Can we plan on it next year? Hope so! It does make it more interesting planning, when you don't know till the week before if the game will be on. Brandon's performance at the Piano show, the cornhole tournament, and the Chiefs did make for a fun night.

I am looking forward to our Spring directors meeting at the Beloit Heavy Equipment school. I sure like the idea of getting people interested in this line of work introduced to the people in our organization. There is a wealth of knowledge in our organization and it is past time to be sharing it with younger people. As members have passed, so much of that knowledge has been lost. The more of these schools we can approach and work with the better the possibility that some of that knowledge can be shared.

To the idea of passing knowledge on, one thought was that as computers are able to do more and more tasks, blue collar workers would be replaced.

There are some now thinking that it will be more white collar jobs that computers will be efficient at, and the trades will be the ones in higher demand and have better earnings growth.

If anyone has recommendations on next years convention let me know. Have a great spring.

Kent



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<p><u>Sunday Night Reception</u> Advanced Drainage Systems Inc.</p> <p><u>Monday Opening Breakfast</u> Prins/UFG</p> <p><u>Monday Memorial Luncheon</u> Foley Equipment Co/SiTech-Central, LLC</p> <p><u>Associates Night Sponsors</u> Foley Equipment Co/SiTech-Central, LLC HeavyQuip of Kansas J&J Drainage Products Co. Landoll Company, LLC Modern Ag Inc. Precision Intakes, Ltd VLP: An EquipmentShare Company</p> <p><u>Associates Night Bar Sponsor</u> Murphy Tractor & Equipment Company</p> <p><u>Auctioneers</u> Purple Wave Auction</p> <p><u>Tuesday Breakfast</u> Landoll Company, LLC</p> <p><u>Tuesday Lunch & Tour</u> Foley Equipment Co/SiTech-Central, LLC</p>	<p><u>Convention Exhibitors</u> Advanced Drainage Systems, Inc. Foley Equipment Co/SiTech-Central, LLC HeavyQuip of Kansas J&J Drainage Products Co. Kansas One-Call Systems, Inc. Landoll Company, LLC Machinery Trader Modern Ag Inc. Murphy Tractor & Equipment Company Northern Natural Gas Precision Intakes, Ltd Prins/UFG Purple Wave Auction</p> <p>Thank You to all our sponsors, exhibitors, and attendees. The KLICA Convention and Association are better and stronger with your involvement.</p> <p>Mark your calendars now for next year. January 28, 29, & 30, 2024 Location to be determined.</p>
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71st Annual Convention & Business Meeting Sunday Night Social

The Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association started off Sunday with the usual Budget and Board of Directors Meetings in the afternoon. After the business was out of the way things really started to get exciting Sunday Evening. Advanced Drainage Systems (ADS) sponsored the Sunday evening social which started off with a buffet of Mexican food and sign up for the cornhole tournament. And of course the AFC Championship featuring the local favorite Kansas City Chiefs against the Cincinnati Bengals was the center of attention.

As the Chiefs game consisted of numerous tense moments the competition in the cornhole tournament started to heat up. With pairings drawn randomly teams got to know their partners, some while learning to play cornhole for the first time. While one member of our winning team claimed to be a relative newcomer to the sport he proved to be a quick learner. More on that later.

With the conclusion of the AFC Championship and a last minute victory by the Chiefs the crowd breathed a sigh of relief as Brandon from Fun Pianos started warming up his keyboard. As Brandon got his show going the crowd seemed to be totally worn out by the tension and dramatic conclusion of the Chiefs game. It didn't take Brandon long to turn that around and bring them to life. By the end of his show I'm not sure which was more exciting the football game or piano show, but I can for sure say Brandon initiated more laughter and fun.

By the time Brandon finished his show most of the crowd was pretty wore out but our two semifinalist cornhole teams started warming up for the championship match.

The championship match, featured rookie Bernie Peterson and Luke Wiman against Jeff Schell and Amy Parkhurst. The banter and competition were furious, especially between Luke and his fiancé Amy! Bernie and Luke finally pulled out a tough win to become KLICAs inaugural tournament champions. Their signatures are recorded on the back of KLICAs official boards.



Cornhole champions Bernie Peterson, William R. Peterson Construction, Inc. and Luke Wiman, HeavyQuip of Kansas.



Brandon with 1 Piano 2 Much Fun by Fun Pianos entertains the crowd with his amazing skill and showmanship.

71st Annual Convention & Business Meeting

Monday

The Monday Opening Breakfast sponsored by Prins/UFG featured Caroline Krug, National LICA Assistant to the CEO, talking about where LICA is with the LICA Educational Foundation For Veterans. That morning KLICA was proud to present Caroline a \$5,000 donation for the Foundation.

Monday continued with speakers from USDA/ NRCS, Kansas Department of Agriculture/Division of Conservation, and Nan Merrill & The Johnson Company.

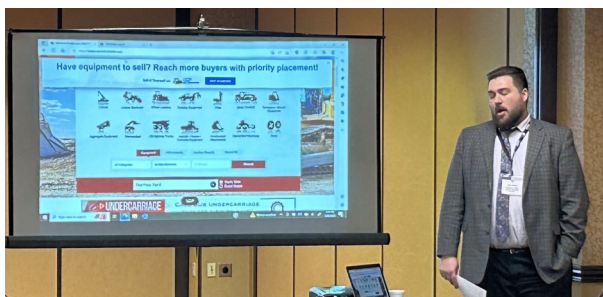
At the Noon Memorial Luncheon, sponsored by Foley Equipment Co./SiTech-Central LLC, our Memorial Committee of Jeff & Marsha Schell and Dave & Linda Orear honored and remembered those we lost in 2022. The Memorial Committee led a very nice tribute to Wilbur Jueneman, Bonnie Haile, Janice Newton, and Robert Becker. Thank You for your time and caring efforts presenting this program.

Monday afternoon continued with Allison Hack, National LICA Director of Communications, speaking about the many benefits available to LICA members and Machinery Trader highlighting their LICA member benefits.

The afternoon concluded with KLICA District Meetings and the Associates Meeting. KLICA and our Executive Director appreciate the involvement and participation of our Associate Members at this meeting and our convention. Your input allows us to better plan conventions and events that provide you better opportunities to meet and interact with our members. Thank You.



Kent Henderson presents Caroline Krug a donation to the LICA National Veterans Foundation.



Matt Sterup, Machinery Trader.



Randy Johnson, Allison Hack, Dan Waters, and Nan Merrill, Nan Merrill & The Johnson Company, discuss business and personal planning.



71st Annual Convention & Business Meeting

Associates Evening - Monday

Associates Evening is always the highlight of convention and this year continued that tradition. Many Thanks to our sponsors for the evening:

- Bar Sponsor
- Murphy Tractor & Equipment Co. Other Associate
- Night Sponsors:
- Foley Equipment Co/SiTech-Central, LLC
- HeavyQuip of Kansas
- J&J Drainage Products Co.
- Landoll Company, LLC
- Modern Ag Inc.
- Precision Intakes, Ltd
- VLP: An EquipmentShare Company

Those we recognized and honored this evening were Glenn Rockers, Rockers Excavating, for Lifetime Achievement and HeavyQuip of Kansas for Associate of the Year. We also recognized many members for Length of Membership Awards, these can be found on pages 11 & 12.

Although auction items seemed to be down a little from past years we still raised \$12,000 through the auction. As always Purple Wave Auction kept the crowd engaged and having fun for the duration of the auction. Bidders went home with many things they needed, and some they didn't, but they went home happy.

Berry Tractor Equipment Co. donated a one week rental certificate for the auction which was purchased by Steve Dick, Henry Dick Digging. Another highlight item was a stained glass KLICA suncatcher donated by Thole Land Improvement and purchased by Jeff Schell, Schell Farm & Construction, Inc.

Thank You to ALL those who donated and purchased items. Your support of the Association and our members does not go unnoticed. Every year as Kathy and I list auction items and record purchases I'm overwhelmed by the generosity and comradery shown throughout the evening.

Right column - some pictures of our great Associates Night Crowd enjoying the evening.





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Tuesday

Tuesday opened with breakfast sponsored by Landoll Company, LLC. At breakfast we had the honor of welcoming guests from the Servicemember Agricultural Vocation Education Farm (SAVE). Joining us from the SAVE Farm were Tod Bunting, Ken DeVan, Joel Anderson, and Melissa & Ross Wahl. Dan Meyerhoff, Kansas Association of Conservation Districts (KACD), was also our guest for breakfast. After breakfast KLICA presented the SAVE Farm with a \$5,000 donation. KLICA is proud to partner with and assist the SAVE Farm in their efforts to train and benefit our nations veterans.

We had planned to view a couple of videos which were put together this last summer during the week of construction at the Farm but sound issues prevented the videos from being viewed. These videos are available for viewing on YouTube and can be accessed through links from the homepage of the KLICA website. You can visit the website at: <https://kansaslica.com/>

View These Videos Promoting KLICA and Our Partners



Access the videos by clicking on the green boxes on the homepage. These videos were produced by Marketing Angle through an agreement with KACD and funded through the United States Department of Agriculture/Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA/NRCS). Please take the time to view/share/and like these.



Kent Henderson presents Tod Bunting KLICA donation check while Ken DeVan looks on.



L to R. Dan Meyerhoff, KACD. Joel Anderson, Ross Wahl, Melissa Wahl, Ken DeVan, Tod Bunting, SAVE Farm. Kent Henderson KLICA President.



**71st Annual Convention & Business Meeting
Tuesday Lunch & Tour**

After KLICA concluded their Annual Business Meeting Tuesday Morning we headed to Foley Equipment Co. where Foley Equipment Co./SiTech-Central, LLC hosted us to a delicious lunch. Following lunch and some giveaways we were treated to a tour of Foleys' facilities in Topeka. A number of our members have had equipment through the rebuild and repair services offered by Foley and this was their opportunity to see and experience the facilities up close. Our group split into four smaller groups for the tour and it provided for a very personal experience. It was an informative and interesting afternoon to end our time in Topeka. Thank You to Foley Equipment Co./SiTech-Central, LLC for your time and hospitality.



Tour Guides L-R: Archie Moffet, Josh Ingold, Matt Schuster



Bob Johnson explains parts shipping and routing to our group.



Bob Johnson



Troy Mindrup contemplates upsizing?



Hosts L-R: Tyler Hiltibrand, Felicia Marlar, Jeremy Blair, Bob Johnson

71st Annual Convention & Business Meeting Awards

Lifetime Achievement Glenn Rockers

Our Lifetime Achievement Award winner has always been a hands on person with a passion for the outdoors. When his father started the business, our award winner would eventually take over, he was able to realize he would have the opportunity for both these to come true.

His father started the business in 1953 and our award winner remembers operating a Cat D6 9U dozer when he was 11 years old. In 1960 our award winner became an employee of his fathers business and when his father died suddenly in 1968 he took over the company reins.

As with most dreams it didn't come easy but our award winner never questioned his determination to move forward doing things his own way. His lawyer told him he would never make it because there was too much debt and the bankers wouldn't provide him any financing.

Through hard work our award winner turned the company in the right direction and three years later they all wanted to loan him money. He and a crew member worked seven days a week, every week, putting 2,000 hours per year on each of the company dozers. He not only worked hard to build his business but learned how to invest wisely in making sure that business was profitable.

Our award winner learned to manage his machines to get the most out of them without costly repair bills and down time. Over the course of 40 years the business bought 30 new Cat machines, which all received regular maintenance. Throughout his career hard work remained a staple of his success and he never forgot what it was like to change an undercarriage in the backyard or work till midnight fixing a machine to be ready to work the next morning.

A member of KLICA since 1971 he also directed this same passion towards success through hard work to ensure KLICA continued to build a successful Association. In January, 1994 our award winner assisted other KLICA members in building a pond for the Make-A-Wish Foundation for a 14 year old boy diagnosed with cancer of the bone cells. The pond was built in 3 days and a week later already held 6 feet of water.

Our award winner received the KLICA Contractor of the Year award in 1984 and served as president of KLICA in 1994. Congratulations to Glenn Rockers, Rockers Excavating on receiving the KLICA Lifetime Achievement Award.



Past President Clem Karlin present Glenn Rockers with the KLICA Lifetime Achievement Award.



L-R Rhonda Carlisle, sister; Glenda Rockers, sister-in-law; Nick Rockers, son; Loretta Gantenbein, friend; Darren Zerr, son-in-law; Sherri Zerr, daughter; And a proud Glenn in front with his award.



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Associate of the Year HeavyQuip of Kansas



Luke Wiman accepts Associate of the Year award from Past President Clem Karlin.

HeavyQuip of Kansas has been a KLICA member since 2001. In 2022 they were present for every event held by KLICA. Their representative has always called and asked if we needed anything or what they could do to help out. HeavyQuip has always been fully involved and supportive of our events and ready to offer input on helping or improving what we have going on. Luke Wiman is our Associate Board member and has taken the time to drive to events and meetings. HeavyQuip of Kansas has always been present and willing to assist. Congratulations to the 2022 Associate of the year, HeavyQuip of Kansas.

Length of Membership Awards Special Members

60 Years

Joann Hettenbach (Hettenbach Construction)

55 Years

Dale & Norma Rae Faelber
(Faelber Construction Company)
John & Irene Loflin (Loflin Earth Moving)

20 Years

Ellis County Conservation District
Marshall County Conservation District
Nemaha County Conservation District
Pottawatomie County Conservation District

5 Years

Clay County Conservation District
Decatur County Conservation District
Ottawa County Conservation District
Wilson County Conservation District

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Mike Loflin accepts Length of Membership Certificate for John & Irene Loflin.



Dennis Schwant accepts Length of Membership Certificate for Pottawatomie Conservation District.



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Length of Membership Awards Associate Members

15 Years

Prins Insurance
Purple Wave Auction

10 Years

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Thank You!

Words don't describe how much you are appreciated.



Amber Bosma accepts 15 Year Length of Membership certificate for Prins Insurance.



Aaron McKee accepts the 15 year Length of Membership certificate for Purple Wave Auction.

Length of Membership Awards Contractor Members

60 Years

Ebert Construction

45 Years

Don Bruna Construction, Inc.
Phil Servaes Dirt Construction

35 Years

Hartwich Brothers Construction

25 Years

CK Earthworks, LLC
Justin's Backhoe Service
Thole Land Improvement

20 Years

Chris Gillman Dozer Service

10 Years

Fells Construction
M Con, LLC
Mike Wilson Builders
Pruett Construction, LLC

5 Years

CS Carey, Inc.
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Knobloch Excavating
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345 Years of dedication to land improvement, communities and their Association!

We were honored to recognize 655 Years of commitment to our Association!

Congratulations & Thank You to All those listed.

**71st Annual Convention & Business Meeting
Awards**

**Length of Membership Awards
Contractor Members**



Lisa Diederich accepts 60 Year Length of Membership certificate for Ebert Construction.



Don Bruna accepts 45 Year Length of Membership certificate for Don Bruna Construction.



Paul Hartwich accepts 35 Year Length of Membership certificate for Hartwich Brothers Construction.



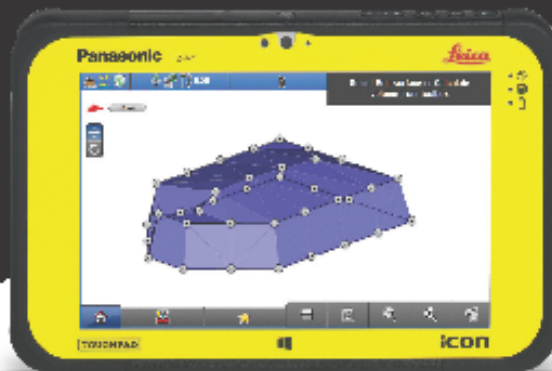
Clem Karlin presents himself 25 Year Length of Membership certificate for CK Earthworks.



Justin Sage accepts the 25 year Length of Membership certificate for Justin's Backhoe Service.



Greg Thole accepts 25 Year Length of Membership certificate for Thole Land Improvement.



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March 15, 2023 Deadline**

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This is a great opportunity for contractor family members.

If you have questions or difficulty downloading the form please contact Jon L. Ungerer, Executive Director at the contact information provided.



**Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association
Scholarship Application**

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Educational Institution Attending: _____

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Credit Hours Enrolling Next Year: Fall Semester _____ Spring Semester _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s): _____

Contact Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Company Name of current
KLICA Contractor Member: _____

Applicant Relationship to Company Owner(s): _____

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Requirements/Instructions:

Include this completed form and the following -

- 1) A single page essay which describes your academic, vocational, and personal goals and objectives explaining why you think you should receive this scholarship.
- 2) Your college transcripts which shows your year in school and major course of study. If a college freshman include high school transcripts.
- 3) Three (3) letters of recommendation. These can be from school staff/employers/community leaders who are familiar with you and your skills/abilities.
- 4) A wallet size picture (approximately 2"x3"). This picture will be included in the KLICA Newsletter and Directory.

All materials must be mailed to the KLICA office and postmarked no later than **March 15**. Incomplete, late, or ineligible applications will not be considered.

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In Memoriam
 Members lost since
 our last newsletter.



Norma Rae Faelber
 December 5, 1930 - February 12, 2023

Norma Rae Faelber passed away February 12, 2023 at the age of 92. Norma was the wife of Dale Faelber, Faelber Construction Company, Gypsum, Kansas. Norma was KLICA Lady of the Year in 1994 and Dale and Norma were recognized this year as 55 year members. Norma began painting at the age of 14 and has art displayed in Gypsum City Municipal Buildings. She was a 4-H club knitting leader. Norma is survived by her husband, Dale; three daughters Barbara Messenger, Carol Schmidt, Diane Faelber, son Gary; two sisters; one brother; six grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

2023 National LICA Winter Convention

The 2023 National LICA Winter Convention will return to Las Vegas the weekend before CONEXPO-CON/AGG. Attendance at this convention affords you the opportunity to stay over and attend North America's Largest Construction Trade Show immediately following the LICA Convention. CONEXPO-CON/AGG will open Tuesday March 14 and run through Saturday March 18.



Harrah's Las Vegas Hotel & Casino
 Tentative Agenda



Saturday, March 11, 2023

- Executive Committee

Sunday, March 12, 2023

- Committee Meetings

- Associates' Night

Monday, March 13, 2023

- Board Meeting

- Delegates' Meeting

- Awards Banquet

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On the Other Side of the Dozer Blade

by Margaret Smelser



February 13, afternoon - a pleasant winter day. A few patches of snow remain from around three inches of wet snow. David figured it made an inch of messy, but welcome moisture.

I have a beautiful bouquet on the table, that Jean brought. They all know I miss my "Valentine." I was saddened by the call from Dale Faelber, telling me Norma Rae's long illness had ended yesterday morning. Dale and Norma Rae have been such good friends, we spent a lot of time together at the Conventions and other times. I have an empty spot in my heart.

David is recovering from his knee replacement, January 7th. He's been back to feeding the cattle and a little work. David and Jean are finding it's fun to be grandparents. Cora Marie has won all our hearts. Lee and Rachel are great parents. Lee continues to be David's "right hand".

I've been spending quite a bit of time on "The Book". I'm making progress but keep coming up with another poem, another explanation to write. Brooke, my neighbor and editor, and I are beginning to see "light at the end of the tunnel". It's been a long journey down memory lane.

Now it's the afternoon of the 16th, back at the table, pen in hand. I'm watching the snow. It's very slick, enough ice to make it treacherous. Rusty, his truck loaded with sand spun out on an icy hill. Lots of vehicles off the road. David took Jean to work this morning to the VA. She's a good driver, has put in countless miles, but he feels better, taking her on icy roads.

David and Lee did an "emergency" job for a long time friend, in very poor health. A temporary fix on a messy driveway. Don depends on the "Smelser Boys" if it's electrical, he calls Rusty, if it's plumbing and dirt work, he calls David. Don is the kind of a man they'd go out of their way to help. He was a good friend of Lloyds.

With the weather so variable work has been erratic. They did get that big pond work finished, just in time of end the year in good shape. Lee has done some

clearing, etc. One recent job was a burial, a large dog killed in the road. He went down the road in the backhoe, at nearly dark, to do that sad accommodation.

Tomorrow they plan to take our feed steers to Rezacs in St. Marys. When I look at our real estate tax, coming up in May and when I get the feed & vet bills figured up we may be close to a minus instead of a plus!

It's just past 2:00 pm on Presidents Day afternoon. We've been to the memorial service in Oskaloosa, for Nellie Perry. She was Freds mother-in-law, Catherine's mom, a good friend and a much loved mom and grandma. We all loved her as part of our family.

We will be waiting for word from Jason, Freds oldest son, they were on their way to be here for the service, when Emily, Jason's wife, had what could be a severe heart episode. They have 3 young children, the "light" of Fred and Catherine's life. Heaven will be bombarded with prayer for Emily. The large crowd showed the love and respect for Nellie and her family. It feels like our family goes from one crisis to the next. An old hymn says, "our roses may have thorns but don't forget your thorns may have some roses too". I better keep looking for the roses.

More snow promised but this has been a beautiful day. Tulips are coming up, I can hardly wait for the first bloom.

I hope work will be opening up for all you "dirt movers" out there, but knowing we still have some winter ahead.

More and more in my life experiences I see how we must cherish our loved ones! Life can change in a heartbeat. Easter is ahead, early this year. Good time for a "heart cleaning". Without faith it is impossible to please God.

Good news Emily is going to be OK, but needs some further checking & treatment.

Now it's 6:00 pm - I'm just in from the cow lot - helping to decide which steers are going. I brought in the eggs from my odd little flock of hens, my expensive hobby. It's about dusk, two cardinals had their late snack and I think it's time to call it a day. Take care in this messed up world we're living in, be thankful for the good in every day. Blessings all.



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KLICA Clothing

There has been quite a bit of interest in clothing with the KLICA logo lately. Carhartt coats with KLICA logos have been donated for the Convention auctions and sold really well. These coats were purchased from Idntiteez in Marysville. If anyone is interested in obtaining clothing with the KLICA or LICA logo they do great work. They can put this logo on just about any type of shirt/jacket/cap that you might be interested in. If you're interested in clothing you can let me know what you would like or contact Idntiteez directly at 785-562-2300.



Leather patches sealed to the shirt - right has KLICA stitching.

The above two examples are stitched into the clothing.



Nick Yaksich
Director of Government Relations

I wrote in the last Legislative Landscape about the stated commitment of the new House majority to reduce federal spending and with the farm bill up for reauthorization, it will be a challenge to increase funding for critical farm bill programs.

A second challenge facing the farm bill reauthorization – still related to funding – is the growing cost of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) that some of you may remember as food stamp and school nutrition programs.

This week the Congressional Budget Office is raising its cost estimate for SNAP by \$93 billion over the next 10 years, or about 8.4%, due in part to expected benefit recalculations authorized by the 2018 farm bill. The increased CBO estimate for SNAP will provide new fodder for congressional Republicans, who allege Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack mishandled a provision in the 2018 law — which called for a reconsideration of SNAP's benefit calculation — to increase SNAP benefits more than was justified. USDA was required to recalculate a formula used to set benefits known as the Thrifty Food Plan. Under the law, the recalculation is to happen every five years, with the first occurrence happening in 2021. The CBO estimate assumes additional increases in SNAP benefits because of future TFP modifications in 2026 and 2031. The Thrifty Food Plain is supposed to reflect the cost of a healthy diet for a budget-conscious family.

The Senate Agriculture Committee's top Republican, John Boozman of Arkansas, said in a statement that the CBO forecast "shows that the Biden administration's improper sloppy reevaluation of the Thrifty Food Plan will continue to dramatically increase SNAP spending during the span of the next farm bill and drives the cost of the legislation to record heights."

CBO's last forecast of SNAP spending, issued in May 2022, estimated the program would cost taxpayers \$1.1 trillion from 2023 through 2032, or more than 80% of total farm bill spending. The new estimate, which also reflects an expected increase in the number of SNAP recipients, adds \$93 billion to the May 2022 estimate.

The higher CBO estimate could put a bigger target on SNAP in the coming farm bill debate. Its not only the SNAP cost that will be hotly debated. House Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) suggested this week that Republicans may focus on SNAP work requirements which were a subject of controversy in debates over the 2014 and 2018 farm bills.



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**3rd Annual KLICA
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Make your plans now to attend this event. This is your opportunity to get together with other members in a relaxed social atmosphere.

No, you don't have to be an accomplished golfer to participate in and have fun at this event. The winner of this event will not make sports headlines for winning the KLICA Open, but they will have the opportunity to spend a day having fun visiting with fellow members and enjoying a few cold beverages. Instead of thinking I'm not a golfer I can't go you should be thinking how can I not take advantage of this opportunity? A day spent with your peers is always an excellent opportunity to exchange ideas and learn from other contractor and associate members what is happening in the industry and with their businesses. Don't miss out! Registration on the following page.





Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association



June 2

Registration: 7:30 AM
 Golfers Meeting: 8:30 AM
 Shotgun Start: 8:45 AM
 Lunch Beginning around Noon
 as you pass the clubhouse

Marysville Country Club
 1070 Pony Express Highway
 Marysville, Kansas

Please fill in name and check appropriate golf balls - Note Bubba Drive for team at bottom

Golfer Names (If you don't have a full team we'll form teams)	Golf (Includes Lunch) \$90.00	Mulligans \$10 for 2	Lunch Only (\$10.00)	Cart Needed
_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Bubba Drive Entire Team \$20.00 _____				

Sponsorships Available: Sponsor Name: _____

Course: (\$1000) _____ Refreshments (Bar): (\$500) _____ Lunch: (\$500) _____
 Tee or Green (\$150) Name placed on sign at Tee or Green Number of Holes: _____
 Hole Prize Sponsor (closest to hole/longest drive/etc. on designated holes) Prize value or cash amount should be \$50.00 minimum
 Prize donated: _____ Cash: _____
 Multiple sponsorships at all levels accepted. Thank You for your support.
 To insure time to print signs sponsorship commitments needed by May 20., 2023

Send registration to:

KLICA
 Jon L. Ungerer
 850 U.S. Hwy 77
 Marysville, KS 66508
 Call Jon at 785-221-8697
 with questions or
 jungerer@kansaslica.com

Tournament format is a four person team scramble.
 Marysville Country Club is a 9 hole course - Play will be 2 Rounds (18 holes)
 Two mulligans per player may be purchased for \$10.00
 Bubba Drive - Hole 1 First stroke starts 150 yds from pin \$20.00/team
 Mulligan & Bubba Drive proceeds to KLICA Scholarship fund.
 Golf Tournament proceeds to benefit
 Kansas Land Improvement Contractors Association (KLICA).
 Come out for a day of fun & socializing!
Registrations due by May 27, 2023
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KLICA ladies creating personal pieces of glass at the Prairie Glass Art Studio.



Some of the beautiful glass pieces at the Prairie Glass Art Studio.



Delicious chocolate creations at Hazel Hill Chocolate.

Rambling Thoughts of an Executive Director

The KLICA Winter Convention and Business Meeting is in the books and I hope all those who attended feel it was worthwhile. As always, it was great to see everyone. Another year and another exciting Chiefs win was watched Sunday evening. It made for a long and full opening evening but the additional couple of events that evening created a lot of fun and a good time was had by all those attending.


Thoughts cont.

The cornhole tournament was a bit discombobulated due to me not knowing how to put on a tournament like this. I would like to say Thank You to Tim Rozendaal, Danny Mattix, and Jim Jensen for their help in bringing things together for the tournament. Next year I'll have this years experience and we now have two sets of Kansas LICA boards with one officially signed by this years winners. Thank You to Tim for also providing a set of boards and to my son, Jeremiah, for making the other set.

The One Piano 2 Much Fun show by Brandon was a great time and incredibly fun. It had to be with the late start and full day already put in by everyone but Brandon proved up to the task and kept everyone not only awake but smiling throughout. Thank You. We had a number of guest contractors attend convention and I'm confident this will translate to new members. For a prospective member spending a few days getting to know members and having the opportunity to visit with them about their operations and commitment to the industry is the best selling point there is. Our members are what make this Association great and they provide the best means to promote new members.



It has been an exciting year for KLICA and I'm looking forward to an even better year in 2023. The Spring meeting is planned for the Beloit VoTech where we will visit the Heavy Equipment Operation school to learn how we can better partner with them to benefit both the school and our contractor members who are needing help in the form of trained operators. We also plan to continue partnering and working with the SAVE Farm to benefit their farm and efforts to educate the veterans of our country as they transition out of service into civilian life.

It was an honor to see KLICA present checks to both the National LICA Educational Foundation for Veterans and SAVE Farm at convention. I never imagined work with KLICA would merge with efforts to benefit our veterans in such a way. I'm sure I've said it before but conservation and veterans - that's good stuff!




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Annual Dues:	Contractor	Associate	Special
Circle Applicable Member Type	\$325	\$250	\$40

- Contractor Services Provided:
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| <input type="checkbox"/> CUI Cable/Utility Line Installation | <input type="checkbox"/> OSW On-Site Waste Treatment |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> EC Erosion Control | <input type="checkbox"/> SEP Septic Systems |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> GR Gravel/Rock Production | <input type="checkbox"/> SWU Sewer/Water/Underground Utilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LL Land Leveling | <input type="checkbox"/> TH Trucking/Hauling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LS Landscaping | <input type="checkbox"/> TW Terraces/Waterways |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ODW Open Ditch Work Crane Service | <input type="checkbox"/> WM Water Management |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dealer/Service Company/Consultant/Insurance/Other | |

Annual dues are due and payable on a calendar year basis, prior to January 1 of each year.
 KLICA dues for new contractor members joining after March 1 are paid up for the next full calendar year.

Return Application to: Jon L. Ungerer, Executive Director
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 850 U.S. Hwy 77
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Contact Phone: 785-221-8697
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Important Dates for your Calendar.....

- March 11 - 13, 2023
National LICA Winter Convention
Harrah's Hotel & Casino
Las Vegas, Nevada
- CONEXPO-CON/AGG
March 14 - 18, 2023
Las Vegas, Nevada
- April 14, 2023
KLICA Spring Board Meeting
Beloit VoTech
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- June 2, 2023
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Golf Tournament
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- July 11 - 15, 2023
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