

Corn sweat and August

According to recent reports the summer heat is causing corn to sweat in the field. Is it the corn's profuse perspiration causing the issue or maybe the county fair is the party responsible?

More likely it's just summer in early August. There are two options, hot and humid or hot and dry. Either way, the corn is still sweating, with each acre pumping up to 4,000 gallons of water into the air every day. Kansas' 6.4 million acres of corn pumps out enough sweat each day to cover a football field in more than 15 miles of water.

Corn sweat doesn't actually make the temperature rise, rather it makes hot summer days feel hotter by adding to the humidity in the air. In addition to evaporation, all plants release water through tiny pores in their leaves during a process called transpiration, or plant sweat.

Insight

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Kansas Farm Bureau

August is the peak growing season for corn and other fall crops, and correspondingly the peak for humidity, especially with the rains portions of the state have received this summer. The extra moisture can turn a normal August afternoon into a "three-shirt day" where even light work outdoors requires changing shirts more than once.

I do have a small quibble with the National Weather Service over its recent change in the adjectives used to describe our hot, humid summers. In March, the agency substituted "extreme" for "excessive" for heat-related watches and warnings.

Unsurprisingly, I wasn't consulted on the change, and I have no problem alerting folks about the dangers posed by intense

summer weather. But I'm not convinced that classifying normal, expected bouts of summer heat as excessive or extreme are of any help. Everyone should be mindful of the toll working outdoors can take. Plenty of breaks in the shade and cold water are crucial to staying safe in the heat.

As the change from excessive to extreme indicates, adjectives are arbitrary, and neither one is as effective as the description used in explaining the meaning of an extreme heat watch or warning: dangerous heat is possible or happening.

Dangerous means the situation is serious, as the weather in Kansas often is (there's a 161-degree swing between the hottest and coldest record temps in the state). It also works across a range of conditions from hot and cold to flash floods and severe thunderstorms. It's an adjective that conveys the stakes of the weather,

especially in summer for individuals most at risk of high temperatures like older adults, young children and those without access to cooling resources. It's easy to poke fun at labeling typical summer weather as excessive or extreme. Call it dangerous and people are likely to actually pay attention.

While July is the hottest month, August is still the heart of summer where triple-digit readings on the thermometer are commonplace. Our electricity bills may be extreme, but that's just summer.

The days are getting shorter and soon harvest will put an end to sweating corn. For now, it's still summer. Do your best to stay cool and maybe pack an extra shirt or two if you're doing anything outside. Afterall, it's just another August in Kansas.

Editor's note: Insight is a weekly column published by Kansas Farm Bureau.

USD 356 BOE Agenda

The USD 356 Conway Springs Board of Education will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday, Aug. 11, at the district office. Following is the agenda for the meeting. The public is invited to attend.

I. Call to Order - Pledge of Allegiance
II. Review and Approval of Minute
III. Changes to the Agend
IV. Adoption of the Agenda
V. Public Forum
VI. Approval of Bills and Transfers
VII. Approval of Inservice Activities and Professional Development Plans as submitted
VIII. Written Communications and Reports
A. Superintendent's report RNR and budget hearing at

September 8 7:00pm special meeting
B. Principal's reports
C. Special Education Representative Report
D. Legislative Network Representative Report
E. Correspondence
IX. Old Business
X. New Business
A. Discussion and action on needs assessments, budget FY 26 and Revenue Neutral Rate FY 26
B. Annual review of KOMA
C. August 19 General Assembly/BOE luncheon
D. Approve classified handbook
E. Approve changes in employer paid health contribution from \$285 to \$310/month
XI. Executive Session
XII. Resignations and Job Offerings
XIII. Adjourn

Goddard to host engagement event

GODDARD – The City of Goddard will hold a community engagement event, including budget discussions, next Wednesday at the Goddard Community Center, 122 N. Main Street. It will run 7-8 p.m.

The event will include a short budget presen-

tation, participation in an interactive survey, and a chance to interact with city leaders to discuss priorities and plans for the upcoming year.

This is family-friendly event; children are welcome. Snacks will be provided. No reservations or sign-ups are needed.

College News

Decker on honors list

VIOLA – Hanna Decker of Viola has been named to the spring 2025 president's list at LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas.

The president's list recognizes students who have achieved a perfect 4.0 grade point average for the semester to receive this honor. Decker is majoring in mechanical engineering.

Students graduate from ESU

More than 500 Emporia State University students graduated during ceremonies in May 2025. Graduate students were recognized May 9; undergraduate students on May 10.

Students from this area who graduated include Logan Albers, Peyton Hair and Kyra Stuhlsatz, all of Garden Plain; Lakin Reitmayer of Cheney; and Emily Perkins of Goddard.

Washburn names honors students

Washburn University has announced its spring 2025 president's list and dean's list honorees.

Students named to the president's list include Kailey Hill of Goddard and Lillian Tallant of Clearwater.

Students on the dean's list include Cade Friend and Mason Levin of Goddard, and Amaya Linwood of Clearwater.

To qualify for the president's list, a student must be enrolled in 12 hours of graded credits and earn a semester grade point average of 4.0. To qualify for the dean's list, a student must earn a semester GPA of 3.4 to 3.99.

Waltrip named to chancellor's list

Chloe Waltrip of Haysville is among the students named to the spring 2025 chancellor's list at the University of Arkansas, joining other students who attained a 4.0 grade-point average.

All students on the chancellor's list also automatically earn recognition on the university's dean's list, which includes scholars with a minimum 3.75 grade-point average.

ter, a distinction given to those who achieve the university's highest academic standards.

To be included on the dean's honor roll, a student must record a 3.5 grade-point average or better for the semester.

Students graduate from Missouri State

Missouri State University awarded 2,824 degrees to students in spring 2025. The commencement ceremonies took place May

9, 2025, at Great Southern Bank Arena.

Local students earning degrees were Brody Bauchmoyer of Goddard, and Gabriel Mannebach of Garden Plain.

Bartlett earns degree

CHENEY – Barton Community College has announced its list of graduates who earned associate degrees or certificates for career training during the spring semester of 2025.

Graduates included Elina Bartlett of Cheney.

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PROPERTY OWNER'S NOTICE OF VIOLATION
The Undersigned complains that:

ON THE 29th DAY OF July, 2025
NAME: Petre Kevin
Last First Middle Initial
STREET ADDRESS: 946 E. Karla Ct, CITY: Haysville STATE: Kansas ZIP: 67060

DID IN HAYSVILLE, SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS, AT (LOCATION): 946 E. Karla Ct., Haysville, Kansas 67060
COMMIT THE FOLLOWING CODE VIOLATION(S):
☒ Maintain, Cause, or Permit Unlawful Nuisances on Property or Premises, 8-401;
☒ Keep or Maintain Nuisance Automobiles on Property or Premises, 8-401a;
☒ Dump Waste on Property or Premises Without Permission, 8-203;
☒ Did Not Have Solid Waste Collected Weekly from Property or Premises, 8-204;
☒ Permit Weeds to Exist on Property or Premises, 8-601;
☒ Did Not Maintain Clearances over Streets and Walkways adjacent to Property or Premises, 13-307;
☒ Maintain Dead or Diseased Tree on Property or Premises, 13-308;
☐ Maintain, Cause, or Permit Tree Stumps to Project Above Surface of the Ground on Property or Premises, 13-309;
☐ Maintain, Cause, or Permit Fence with Prohibited Features and/or Materials on Property or Premises, 4-1106;
☐ Maintain, Cause, or Permit Dangerous Fences on Property or Premises, 4-1107;

Contrary to indicated sections of ORDINANCE NO.: 1134 of the City of Haysville, Kansas.
As owner of the property in violation you are hereby notified of the following:
a) You, as the owner of the property, are in violation of the city's ordinance.
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c) You may appeal this notice by requesting, within 5 days of publication of this notice, a hearing in front of the governing body or its designated representative by sending written notice to the City Clerk directed to the governing body.
d) If you do not come into compliance within the 5 days, the city or its authorized agent will abate the property and assess the cost and all associated fees to you.
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ON THE 30th DAY OF July, 2025
NAME: Coleman Christopher Thomas
Last First Middle Initial
STREET ADDRESS: 613 W. 6th St, CITY: Haysville STATE: Kansas ZIP: 67060

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The Undersigned complains that:

ON THE 28th DAY OF July, 2025
NAME: Wells Fargo Bank N A
Last First Middle Initial
STREET ADDRESS: 3476 Stateview Blvd, CITY: Fort Mill STATE: South Carolina ZIP: 29715

DID IN HAYSVILLE, SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS, AT (LOCATION): 235 S. Trout Ave., Haysville, Kansas 67060
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