



# 2020 KACAA SPRING WORKSHOP

April 15-17, 2020 in Liberal, KS



## “The Details”

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### Wednesday, April 15

- 1:00 p.m. Early Bird Events/Tours <2 choices, descriptions on pages 2>
1. Turf Management                      Tour Host: Elly Sneath
    - a. Meet at Willow Tree Golf Course, 1800 W. 15<sup>th</sup> St, Liberal
  2. Trap Shooting                          Tour Host: Kurt Werth
    - a. Meet at Comfort Inn, 2891 Centennial Blvd, Liberal
  3. Horticulture Presentation          Tour Host: Jason Graves
    - a. Meet at Seward County Activity Center, 810 Stadium Road, Liberal  
(please use north entrance)
- 6:00 p.m. Social Networking – Billy’s Ayr Lanes, 2050 N Kansas Ave, Liberal
- 6:30 p.m. Dinner – We’ll cover your food, if you’ll cover your drinks.

### Thursday, April 16

- 8:00 a.m. Registration – Seward County Activity Center, 810 Stadium Road, Liberal (please use north entrance)  
Coffee & Light Refreshments  
Sponsor: Kansas Crop Improvement Association
- 8:30 a.m. Evan Winchester, Wild West District Board Chair, Welcome
- 8:45 a.m. Doug Bounds, NASS
- 9:00 a.m. Teresa Steckler, NACAA North Central Regional Vice Director
- 9:45 a.m. Break
- 10:00 a.m. KACAA Committee Meetings
- 10:45 a.m. KACAA Professional Improvement Team Meetings
- 11:30 a.m. Kaitlin Donovan, Kansas Corn Commission  
Lunch – Pork Burgers  
Sponsor: Seaboard Foods
- 12:15 p.m. Depart Professional Improvement Tours <4 choices, descriptions on pages 4-6>
1. Livestock                                  Tour Host: Elizabeth Kissick & Marty Gleason
  2. Historical                                  Tour Host: Kylee Harrison
  3. Ag Industry 1                              Tour Host: Ron Honig
  4. Ag Industry 2                              Tour Host: Lacey Noterman
- 6:00 p.m. Dinner, Seward County Activity Center, 810 Stadium Road, Liberal

### Friday, April 17

- 8:30 a.m. Gather – Seward County Activity Center, 810 Stadium Road, Liberal (please use north entrance)
- 8:45 a.m. Administrative Update – Gregg Hadley
- 9:15 a.m. Brunch
- 10:00 a.m. Business Meeting
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### Early Bird Events (Wednesday)

#### 1. Turf Management (AKA Golf)

Host: Elly Sneath

Site: Willow Tree Golf Course, 1800 W. 15<sup>th</sup> St, Liberal

-Please meet at 1:00

Tee Time: shortly after

Cost: \$23.35, Cart \$12/nine

RSVP: sneath@ksu.edu

Come and enjoy an afternoon at the Willow Tree Golf Course!

#### 2. Trap Shooting

Host: Kurt Werth

Site: Liberal Gun Club

1:00 - Meet at Comfort Inn, 2891 Centennial Blvd, Liberal

Cost: Donation

Test your hand/eye coordination with an afternoon of trap and skeet shooting. Don't forget to bring your gun and shells!

#### 3. Horticulture Presentation

Hosts: Jason Graves

Site: Seward County Activity Center, 810 Stadium Road, Liberal (please use north entrance)

Start time: 1:00 p.m.

Horticulture Hot Topics : Garden Insects: The Bees Knees?

-Presented by Sarah Zukoff

Tomatoes In Depth

-Presented by Dennis Patton



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## Professional Improvement Tours (Thursday)

### 1. **Livestock**– Tour host: Elizabeth Kissick & Marty Gleason

#### **Plains Dairy**

High Plains Ponderosa Dairy near Plains, KS will tour the cutting edge facility, where cow comfort and well-being are the focus. In addition to the cross-vented, free-stall barn, the tour will include the ultramodern feed storage area and heifer development center. Employees working in the efficient 110 stall rotary parlor move 860 cows per hour through the facility.

### 2. **Historical** – Tour host: Kylee Harrison

#### **Coronado Museum, Land of Oz & Dorothy’s House**

Don Francisco Vasquez de Coronado, the one to which the museum is named after, and his band of 36 soldiers were the first Europeans to visit what is now Southwest Kansas. They traveled through in 1541, looking for the fabled "Seven Cities of Gold," leaving behind them a legend and a few small items, now on display in the local museum that bears Coronado's name. The Coronado Museum features items that helped to settle the territory during its wild west heyday. The museum houses a large collection of things that gave the area a more civilized tone, including a beautifully restored ornate antique organ, quilts, and home furnishings.

Dorothy’s House, a home built in 1907, has been preserved and restored to reflect the Gale farmhouse from the famous movie. Dorothy will walk you through before taking you somewhere over the rainbow where she starts her journey down the Yellow Brick Road. Enter into the 5,000 square foot animated "Land of Oz" as Dorothy and Toto continue their adventure to see the Wizard in the Emerald City. Along the way you will meet Munchkins, the Scarecrow, Tin Man, and the Cowardly Lion, all while trying to avoid the Wicked Witch. She will guide you through apple trees, flying monkeys, and even show you a horse of a different color. After a face-to-face visit with the Wizard, you return right back where you started, on Dorothy's farm in Kansas! You will see unique memorabilia, including the actual model of the house that was used in the tornado scene in the 1939 movie.

#### **Liberal Mid America Air Museum**

Liberal was once home to a B-24 Liberator pilot training base during World War II. Liberal Army Airfield was active for three years, and then it became the Liberal Airfield and eventually the Mid-America Regional Airport. In the 1970's, Beechcraft operated a single-engine factory, where they manufactured general aviation aircraft. After Beechcraft closed their Liberal facility, the Mid-America Air Museum was established to preserve local and national aviation heritage. The museum has over 100 aircraft and 80,000 square feet of exhibits. It is the premier aviation museum in Kansas and one of the largest in the United States.

**\*\*Please plan on \$10 (total) for admittance to the museums**



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#### 3. **Ag Industry 1**– Tour host: Ron Honig

##### **Cotton Gin & Cheese Plant**

This tour will head to the Hugoton and Moscow, KS areas (about a 35-minute drive from Liberal) to make stops at a few new, old, and expanding agricultural industries.

Included on the tour is the Northwest Cotton Growers Coop Gin at Moscow which is in the expansion phase and is on track to be the second largest cotton gin in the world upon completion of its current construction project.

Also featured will be a stop at the Kansas Dairy Ingredients (KDI) plant which started concentrating milk and producing wholesale dairy products for the food industry through its ultra-filtration systems. KDI in Hugoton has now expanded to add a cheese and butter plant. This educational stop will take place mainly on the observation deck as tours are not allowed on the production floor, however the free samples will be worth your time.

These will be approximately 30-minute tours with additional stops to be announced as we near Spring Meeting. Come see how the ag industry can flourish and grow in rural America.

#### 4. **Ag Industry 2** – Tour host: Lacey Noterman

##### **Seward County Community College**

Seward County Community College is a two-year institution offering 45 programs of study. Ranked in the top 5% of more than 1,100 accredited community colleges in the US by the Aspen Institute, SCCC serves a student body of 2,500+ students ranging in age from 15 to 85, in a county with the highest foreign-born percentage population in the U. S., and a rural service area of about 50,997 in Seven Southwest Kansas counties and a five-state region. Seward County Community College provides opportunities to enrich and improve each person’s life through a range of academic programs, including technical education, certificate and degree programs, and transferrable degree programs, for the advancement of the individual and the community. The Industrial Technology division houses the auto body collision repair, automotive mechanics technology, corrosion technology, diesel technology, drafting and design technology, HVAC-R, machine tool technology, natural gas compression, process technology, truck driving, and welding technology programs. Located on the Industrial Technology campus, students learn through hands-on curriculum and industry standard training

The Agriculture Department is working on revitalizing of our program offerings. We are working on revitalizing our livestock and crops judging teams. Developing new cross curriculum educational opportunities, with our Industrial Technology program in the area of Grain Elevator Operations and Ag Energy-biodiesel, and continuing with our Associates of Science, Associates of Applied Science, and certificate programs in Agriculture. During this tour you will get to learn more about the program areas, including tours of the Industrial Technology and Agriculture Departments and other program areas of the campus.

##### **Hemp Presentation**

Loarn Bucl is an independent crop consultant located in Sublette, Kansas. Loarn has been



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scouting all over southwest Kansas since 1975. He has been providing advice to his clients on crop production focusing on corn, soybeans, wheat, sorghum, forages, sunflowers, cotton, canola, and potatoes. His newest addition to his playbook has included hemp this year. Loarn will be sharing his knowledge that he has gained this last year about hemp production.

## Hotel Information

### Comfort Suites

2891 Centennial Blvd

Liberal, Kansas 67901

620-626-5439

\$98 per room

Double queen and king beds available

Reserve under KACAA when booking

10% discount for Old Chicago

Must reserve prior to April 10<sup>th</sup>

### Best Western Plus

1550 N Lincoln Ave

Liberal, KS 67901

(620) 624-9700

\$89 per room

Reserve under KACAA when booking

Must reserve prior to April 8<sup>th</sup>