

IOWA REPORTS

BENTON

Benton County Soil and Water Conservation district commissioners are sponsoring a bus tour to the Jim Kinsella farm in Normal, Ill., on June 23.

Kinsella has been a no-till advocate for many years and offers tours of his operation so farmers can observe different no-till techniques.

His approach to no-till has convinced many producers in his area to start no-till operations.

The Benton SWCD will have two buses leaving for the Kinsella farm.

One bus will leave the Washington High School parking lot in Vinton, and the other bus will load at O'Grady Chemicals in Van Horne.

Reservations are being accepted through June 9 at \$10 per person.

They should be sent to the Benton SWCD, 1705 West D Street, Vinton 52349 and should note which loading area is preferred.

Contact the Benton SWCD at 319-472-2161 or any of the commissioners.

A field demonstration of no-till soybean drills will be held at the Iowa Electric farm, Friday, May 15. Rain date will be May 20.

The IE farm is the former Ernest Reiss operation, four miles south of Garrison just off County Blacktop V-56.

The drills will be on display from 9-10 a.m.

In addition, the SCS will have residue management checks on tilled ground.

At 10 a.m. the drills will be operated in the field.

No-till drills demonstrating soybean planting will be Crustbuster, Tye, John Deere, Black Machine, and Great Plains.

Benton County had a significant black cutworm moth catch on April 14, reports the county Extension staff.

Thirteen moths were caught in the Keystone area trap.

The county only had one trap this year, compared to five last year.

This puts the date of expected cutting damage around May 14.

The area still have the potential for additional flights, so watch the local newspapers for updates.

BREMER

Bremer County FFA/4-H sheep weigh-in will be May 9.

Lambs will be weighed from 9:30 a.m.-noon at the Bremer County Fairgrounds in Waverly.

All market lambs to be shown at the Bremer County Fair must be weighed and tagged with official 4-H ear tags.

Lambs will not be sheared at weigh-in.

The Bremer County Fair will be in Waverly from Aug. 5-9.

Sheep superintendents are

Chuck Lillibridge, Dwight Hinrichs, Deb Memmelthei and Jim Greenlees.

CHICKASAW

The county calendar includes: May 7 — County Extension council meeting, 8 p.m., Extension office, New Hampton.

May 9 — County 4-H and FFA sheep weigh-in, 9-11 a.m., Nashua fairgrounds.

May 13 — Chickasaw County 4-H and FFA dog project classes begin, 7-9 p.m., fairgrounds in Nashua.

May 15 — Deadline for all 4-H livestock ID's due to county Extension office.

May 18 — Goal Learning/4-H Exhibits meeting, 1:30-3 and 7:30-9 p.m., Extension office, New Hampton.

May 22 — Registration deadline for 4-H Jr. Adventure camp at the Extension office, New Hampton.

CLAYTON

The county calendar includes:

May 4 — Clayton County Extension Council meeting, 8:30 p.m., Extension office, Elkader.

May 5 — 4-H Teleconference, 9-10:30 a.m., Extension office, Elkader.

May 7 — 4-H photography meeting, beginners, 7:30 p.m., Extension office, Elkader.

FAYETTE

The county calendar includes:

May 4 — Cattlemen's meeting, 8 p.m., Extension office, Fayette.

May 7 — Pork producer meeting, 8 p.m., Extension office, Fayette.

HAMILTON

The county calendar includes: May 5 — Pork board meets, Extension office, 8 p.m.

HARDIN

Spray pressures of about 40 PSI should be adequate to provide coverage of the typical plant canopy encountered in post-emergence herbicide applications, notes Jim Johnson, county Extension director.

Some have suggested spray pressures of 60 PSI or more.

Using those higher pressures will not improve weed control in most situations, but could result in real problems associated with herbicide drift from the target area, Johnson says.

HOWARD

The county calendar includes:

May 5 — 4-H dog obedience class at Arena, fairgrounds, 7 p.m.

May 9 — Photography workshop for 4-H, 10-12, Extension office.

May 12 — 4-H dog obedience class at arena, fairgrounds, 7 p.m.

May 15 — 4-H Livestock IDs due, Extension office.

May 19 — 4-H dog obedience class, fairgrounds, 7 p.m.

May 30 — Photography workshop for 4-H, 10 a.m.-noon, Extension office.

JASPER

The county calendar includes:

May 2 — Beginning sewing workshop, 9 a.m. Extension office.

May 9 — Sheep weigh-in, 9-11 a.m., Newton High School.

May 9 — Mounting Matting workshop, 1 p.m., Klepingers Wildlife Studio.

May 16 — Presentation/working demonstration workshop, 9:30 a.m., Extension office.

KEOKUK

The county calendar includes:

May 5 — Keokuk County Extension Council meeting, Extension office, 8 p.m.

May 16 — 4-H and FFA market sheep weigh-in, 8:30-11:30 a.m., Expo grounds.

WINNESHIEK

The county calendar includes:

May 2 — Bicycle clinic, Decorah Bicycle Shop, 8-10 a.m.

May 2 — Muzzle loading clinic, Pinebluff, 9:30-11 a.m.

May 3 — Shotgun class, Pinebluff, 1:30-3 p.m.

May 7 — Winneshiek County Extension Council, 8:30 p.m., Extension office, Decorah.

4-H OFFICERS

Northeast Iowans selected to serve as members of the 1992-93 State 4-H Council include: Janelle Barnett, Clarksville, Butler County; Robert Elsinger, Guttenberg, Clayton County; Byron Formwalt, Janesville, Bremer County; Matthew Gaul, Strawberry Point, Clayton County; Jennifer Maurer, Lawler, Chickasaw County; Allison Steen, Lime Springs, Howard County; and alternate Michael Simon, Guttenberg, Clayton County.

CO-OP ELECTIONS

Representatives recently elected to the Corn Belt Power Cooperative's board of directors include: Donald O'Tool, Rockwell City; Norman Kolbe, Sac City; Rogert Rust, Hampton; Donald Feldman, Allison; Kirby Range, Estherville; and Keith Gelder, Jefferson.

New co-op officers are: Eugene Drager, Humboldt County REC, president; Ronald Deiber, North Iowa Municipal Electric Cooperative Association, vice present; Paul Robertson, Grundy County REC, secretary; Carol Boehnke, Hancock County REC, treasurer; Donald Feldman, Butler County REC, assistant secretary/treasurer; and George Toyne, Corn Belt Power, executive vice president. ■

Calendar

Monday, May 4

■ **Spring Cover Crop and Planting Demonstration**, 1 p.m., Dick and Sharon Thompson farm, Boone. Location: Four miles north of Highways 30 and 17 intersection, then east 1½ miles.

■ **Private and commercial pesticide testing**, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 800 Oneida St., Storm Lake; and 3420 University Ave., Suite B, Waterloo.

Friday, May 8

■ **Private and commercial pesticide testing**, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 1631 4th St., S.W., Mason City; and 422 McCarroll Dr., Ottumwa.

Monday, May 11

■ **Private and commercial pesticide testing**, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 346 2nd Ave., Cedar Rapids; and 2719 E. Highway 6, Council Bluffs.

Monday, May 18

■ **Private and commercial pesticide testing**, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 3420 University Ave., Suite B, Waterloo.

Tuesday, May 19

■ **Private and commercial pesticide testing**, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 800 Oneida St., Storm Lake.

Wednesday, May 20

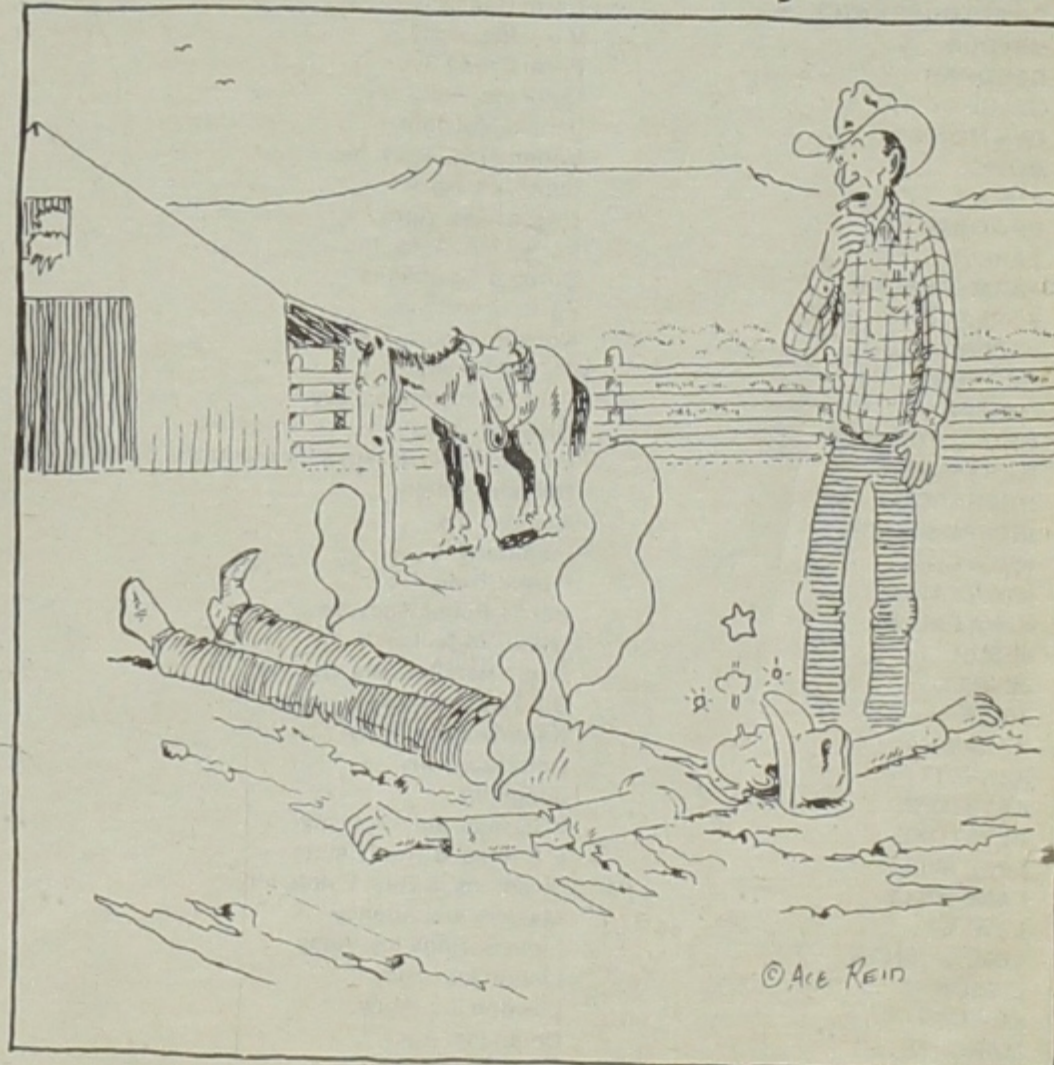
■ **Tri-State Community Development Conference**, Holiday Inn South, Rochester, Minn. Contact your county Extension office.

Friday, May 22

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COWPOKES

By Ace Reid



“Wul I’ve always heard if first you don’t succeed, then deny you were even tryin’!”