

February 2020

Humor in Ag Life

March 7, 1:30 p.m. Farmer Derek

A local farmer/rancher combines his love of music and entertainment with daily ag life, and the result has landed Farmer Derek Klingenberg onto the world stage.

“What does the Farmer say?”
At 1:30 p.m. Saturday, March 7, Farmer Derek will answer this question in a unique community presentation at Pioneer Bluffs.

Derek Klingenberg has nearly 50 million views on his YouTube channel, which features music parodies and original music showing a fun, personal perspective of farm life. In nearly 200 videos, he serenades cattle with a trombone, watches a meteor shower from a hammock, and feeds cattle with robots. In a slightly serious video, the Bethel College Choir sang in his grain bin.

Klingenberg is a third generation Kansas farmer. He lives and works on the Klingenberg Family Farm and Ranch south of Peabody. *“Growing up, my family priorities consisted of church, family, work, music, and eating a lot,”* says Klingenberg. *“I now have my own family of three cute girls along with my wife Kara, and spend my time working on the farm, dancing with my girls, and making YouTube videos.”*

This community program will be held in the restored 1915 barn at Pioneer Bluffs.



The venue will be changed if inclement weather arises. Reservations are encouraged but not required. Those who make reservations will be notified directly of a venue change, and it will be posted on the Pioneer Bluffs Facebook page.

There is no charge for this event, though your donations are greatly appreciated and will support future programs at Pioneer Bluffs. For reservations or questions, contact Executive Director Lynn Smith. Reservations can also be made on the Facebook event page.

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Meet Our New Board President

Dave Leiker has a long history of involvement with Pioneer Bluffs beginning with an exhibition of his ranching and landscape photography in the Rogler home. *“There’s a peacefulness and warmth to the place, a feeling of refuge nestled in the heart of the Flint Hills,”* says Leiker. *“It’s kept me coming back, staying involved, and now working along side a great team of volunteers to develop exhibits and programs that respect the people and the land.”*



Now retired, Leiker served as the web and electronic media engineer for Emporia Public Schools.

Upcoming Events

**All possible because
of volunteers and
supporters like you!**

Friday, Saturday, April 17-18 Tallgrass Writing Workshop

At Pioneer Bluffs hosted by the Center for Great Plains Studies of Emporia State University. Pre-registration required at emporia.edu/center-great-plains-studies. See complete schedule of speakers and break-out sessions on the emporia.edu website.

Saturday, April 25 - 1:30 p.m. Prairie Talk: You Are Here

by the Greenwood County Cattlewomen

The Greenwood County Cattlewomen are a dedicated group of ranchers who educate about the truth in agriculture, farming, and ranching by sharing their first-hand experiences.



Saturday, April 25 3:00 p.m. Bryan Knowles in Concert

Enjoy Red Dirt Country music of singer/songwriter Bryan Knowles for a 2-hour concert; a cash bar will be available. Knowles is from rural Chautauqua County and is working on his fifth album.

Saturday, June 6 Great Plains Jazz Orchestra

4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Happy Hour
(with drinks & appetizers)

5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Jazz Music

A 19-piece big band comprised of musicians from the greater Wichita area. Their music, which includes vocalists, will remind you of the era of the Glen Miller Band, Frank Sinatra, and Sammy Davis Jr.

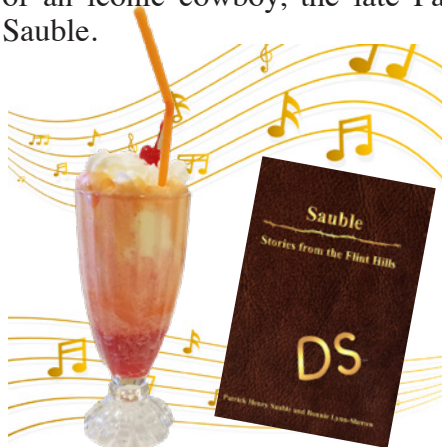
\$20 includes food, drinks, & music. Tickets available at the door or you can save your seat by sending payment by check, or at the donate link on our website.

Saturday, June 27 - 1:00 p.m. Music, Ice Cream & Stories

1:00 p.m. Butler County Brass in concert – a 6-member brass band performs patriotic music.

2:00 p.m. Ice Cream Social - Honor our volunteers by making a generous donation when they serve you ice cream.

3:00 p.m. Sauble: Stories from the Flint Hills. In this Book Talk, Dr. Bonnie Lynn-Sherow shares stories of an iconic cowboy, the late Pat Sauble.



Saturday, Sunday, July 18-19 A Girl Scout Prairie Weekend

Pioneer Bluffs welcomes girls in grades K-12, pre-registration required at kansasgirlscouts.org by July 10. Contact Paula Roper 620-343-4088 or paularoper@att.net for more information.



Saturday, July 25 Day of the Cowboy

Plan now to attend this annual event, a celebration of cowhands of yesterday and today. A partial list of the days activities include:

- Unveiling of new children's area
- A special tribute to Pat Sauble
- Cowboy music & demonstrations

More details coming soon!

Join us for a volunteer workday. We have a variety of opportunities and it only takes 3-4 hours of your time to make a difference at this historic site!

March 7	8:30 a.m.
March 28	8:30 a.m.
April 25	8:30 a.m.
June 6	2:00 p.m.
June 27	8:30 a.m.
July 25	8:30 a.m.

Fall volunteer workdays will coincide with our fall programs which will be announced at a later date.

Will you be a Partner?

Be a Banner Sponsor – and support our year of programs and education experiences!

We invite businesses, individuals, and ranchers to become a Partner in Ranching Heritage. With a \$1,000 tax-deductible contribution, your name, brand, or logo will be proudly displayed on a banner along our historic fence, greeting EVERY visitor throughout 2020! In addition, Partners will be recognized in marketing and at events.

To become a Partner in Ranching Heritage, please contact director Lynn Smith or send your check in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.



Your gift, in any amount, will be stretched far by our hard-working team of volunteers. We rely on your donation to fund our future programs, exhibits, and educational youth activities. Thank you! We appreciate your support!

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