



Historic Pioneer Bluffs Ranch At Matfield Green Sets Weekend Events



One of the oldest and most picturesque ranch headquarters in the world is planning its annual fall celebration this weekend.

"Two major events are scheduled for Pioneer Bluffs near Matfield Green in Chase County. The Flavors of the Flint Hills fundraiser supper Friday evening, Oct. 4, precedes the annual Pioneer Bluffs Fall Festival, Saturday, Oct. 5, at the ranch headquarters," director Lynn Smith said.

Friday evening's fundraiser will be in downtown Cottonwood Falls at the Symphony in the Flint Hills "banquet hall," northwest of the historic Chase County Courthouse. Limited reservations are still available.

On Saturday, October 5, the fun begins at 2 p.m., and continues on until after dark at the Pioneer Bluffs' historic renovated headquarters near the community of Matfield Green.

"The Fall Festival is a celebration of community and local food. The day includes family activities, antique tractor and car shows, petting zoo, hog roast, history demonstrations, live music and an art show, plus more. This year, we will conclude the celebration with a fireworks extravaganza as visitors visit around the campfire (shown)," Smith said.

"Our supper at 6 o'clock features delicious locally grown food all prepared by our volunteers," said Smith, who can be contacted for any information about Pioneer Bluffs at 620-753-3484, or lynn@pioneerbluffs.org.

Flint Hills Cowboy Teams To Compete In State's Oldest Ranch Rodeo Sunday

It's rodeo time this weekend at Council Grove. The 27th annual Fall Ranch Rodeo has been scheduled for Sunday, Oct 6, 1 o'clock, at the Morris County Youth Rodeo Association (MCYRA) arena, located 1½ miles east of Council Grove on Highway 56.

"Of special significance is that our ranch rodeo is the oldest in the state of Kansas, and one of the oldest in the nation, along with possibly being the longest continuously annual ranch rodeos anywhere," clarified Clay Wilson, MCYRA president.

Advertised and promoted on 580 WIBW, Sunday's Western action matinee will feature steer branding, team penning, double mugging and team roping, with the Paddy Creek Ranch team shown competing at last year's Morris County Fall Ranch Rodeo.

"Four-member cowboy teams representing a dozen Flint Hills ranches will be competing for event and overall championship recognition," said Wilson, adding that there will be mutton busting, actually sheep riding, for youngsters.

Again an added attraction for the day is a Junior Ranch Rodeo Sunday at 10 o'clock. "Entries are still open for this unique action for three-member ranch teams of cowboys and cowgirls, 13 years of age and under, competing in team penning, ribbon roping and calf branding.

Information about the full rodeo day's activities is available from Wilson at 785-466-1359, www.mrcoyra.com, and Facebook.



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Padre says:

"A good time occurs precisely when we lose track of what time it is."