

## Animal Science Family & Friends Reunion Set At Kansas State University Friday Evening

The third annual K-State Animal Sciences and Industry (ASI) Family & Friends Reunion is Friday evening, Oct. 13, at the Stanley Stout Center in Manhattan, according to Angie Stump Denton, communication coordinator in the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry at Kansas State University.



"This special occasion welcomes alumni and friends back to campus and the opportunity to re-connect with friends, faculty, staff and students," Denton said.

Starting at 5:30, supper will feature premium quality meats and dairy products, including pork, beef, chicken and lamb.

Advertised on 580 WIBW and Country Legends 106.9 as well as promoted on WibwNewsNow and the Kansas Ag Network, there'll be live entertainment by Rusty Rierson, KSU ASI alum and noted country music artist.

A Junior Wildcat Barnyard area has been designed for the youngest members of the ASI family.

Highlight of this year's reunion will be the presentation of the Don L. Good Impact Award to long-time pork industry leader and retired state legislator Sharon Schwartz.

The award, presented by the Livestock and Meat Industry Council is named in honor of Good, a former K-State ASI department head, and recognizes positive impact on the livestock and meat industry or agriculture.



Sharon Schwartz

"You won't want to miss the performance by the 'best band in the land,' the K-State Marching Band," Denton said.

"Following the band's performance, attendees will participate in the Wildcat Walk," she explained. The band will form an aisle for attendees to enter the Stout Center led by Willie and the kids.

"Plan to join us for an evening of great food, good music and catching up with friends and ASI faculty and staff," welcomed Patsy Houghton, Family & Friends Reunion chair from McCook, Neb.

Information is available at [www.asi.kstate.edu/familyandfriends](http://www.asi.kstate.edu/familyandfriends), or from Lois Schreiner at 785-532-1267, [lschrein@ksu.edu](mailto:lschrein@ksu.edu).

The Kansas State University Department of Animal Sciences and Industry serves students, livestock producers and the animal and food industries through teaching, research and education.

The Livestock and Meat Industry Council is dedicated to facilitating interdisciplinary research that identifies and addresses issues facing animal agriculture and efficient production of food. Volunteer contributions are solicited in support of approved priorities and initiatives within the Department of Animal Sciences and Industry, in cooperation with the College of Agriculture at K-State.

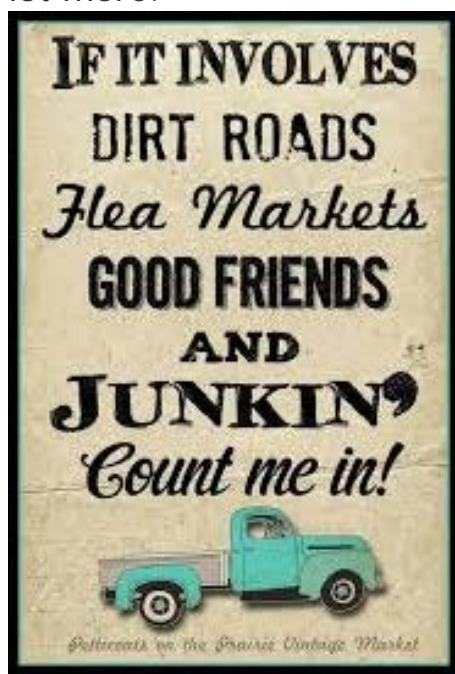
## Valley Falls Pasture Host To 'Glorified Flea Market'

It'll be a most unique attraction, fun days for all.

That's the "Dirt Road Junkstock" Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 14-15, in The Belveal Pasture at Valley Falls.

Just what is that?

Well, according to Jami Heinen and Megan Belveal of the Dirt Road Divas, it'll have semblance to a flea market. Plus, a whole lot more.



"This will really be a glorified flea market," Heinen admitted. "We have at least 25 vendors coming to the 'Junkstock' at 15709 Road, Valley Falls," said Heinen.

The fun days have been advertised extensively and featured on Country Legends 106.9 while also being promoted on WibwNewsNow and the Kansas Ag Network.

Of course, one feature will be Dirt Road Diva Crafts, along with many unique business vendors, Belveal indicated.

Season appropriate, there'll be pumpkins, mums, kettle corn and several fall |mini sessions.

The long list of who's signed up includes everything from photography to antiques to clothing, furniture, creative scents, sports items, on and on.

"Especially for the kiddos, we'll have snacks, snow cones, face painting, bounce houses and much more," Heinen said.

"We are really excited," she emphasized. Details and updates can be found on Facebook at Dirt Road Divas.

### ***Padre Says:***

**"You pray for rain, you gotta deal with the mud, too. That's part of it."**

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