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### "Cowgirls: Contemporary Portraits of the American West"

Credit: ExhibitsUSA

The cowgirl has a certain place in America's heart and history along with her counterpart, the cowboy, and has a long tradition in the American

West. Photographer Ronnie Farley takes us alongside these women on their ranches as they work their cattle and sheep and on the road as they compete in rodeos. The exhibit is the culmination of Farley's trips out west interviewing women ranchers and rodeo contestants between 1992 and 1993.

This exhibit features 30



photographs accompanied by narrative quotes that reveal the complex, unglamorous, yet often inspiring reality of women in the modern west. Look for the traveling exhibit "Cowgirls: Contemporary Portraits of the American West" at the Coffey County Historical Museum starting in mid-May 2009 through August 16th 2009.

#### **Fresh Coat of Paint**



The one room schoolhouse and the Bethel Church received a coat of fresh paint during the fall of 2008.



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#### **New Items in the Gift Shop**

"There
is also
candy that
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purchased
as tour
groups are
leaving the
museum!"

Our new employee, Erin Petterson, has spent a lot of time resetting the gift shop. We now have new items in the gift shop that are geared towards children.

We have cowboy rubber duckies, wooden train

whistles, bandana slap bracelets, and beaded bracelets. There is also candy that can be purchased as tour groups are leaving the museum! We have Candy Buttons, Zotz, Pop Rocks, Candy Necklace, Crystal Rock candy, and twisted suckers! We have also brought back some of our old fashioned toys, just to name a few, marbles, jacks, and card games. Remember we also have silver charms and jewelry! Stop by and see what we have to offer!





My name is Erin Petterson, and I was hired on February 2009, and I am really enjoying working at the museum. I was born in Burlington to Mark and Debbie Petterson. I graduated from Burlington High School in 2003 and Allen County Community College in 2005. For the most part of my life, I lived in Burlington and New Strawn. During parts of 2006 and 2007, I lived in Custer, South Dakota, in the beautiful

#### **New Employee**

Black Hills, but decided to move back here because of family.

I have a little girl, Kaylie Marie Joy Burdick, who will be four in August. She is my little drama queen and keeps me on my toes.

I am engaged to Rex Burdick, who has also lived here all his life. We have been dating for eight years. Rex is currently a contractor at Wolf Creek. We live in New Strawn. In 2000, my parents divorce. My mom lives in Custer, South Dakota, and works at the newspaper up there. My dad is the editor of the Coffey County Republican, the keyboardist in The Gravel Road Band, and is currently serving his second term as the mayor of New Strawn. I also have a sister, Bayly Petterson, who is graduating from Burlington High School this year. She is living with my dad.

#### **Spring Has Sprung**

By Walter Mayne

A relative of mine, who has since passed away, used to have a saying that is appropriate for this time of the year; "spring has sprung, grass has risen, I wonder where the flowers is?" All one has to do is look around and you can see the flowers are coming. The bulbs have bloomed and most of the green tops are beginning to fade and some of the flowering trees have succumbed to the elements. We have been watching the perennials that we planted last spring start to come up in the beds at the entrance. Of course, the weeds are coming along nicely too! Guess you can't have one without the other? As the temperature begins to rise and the

work for spring begins, out come the short sleeves and the "to do" lists. So far my list isn't too long, get the annuals planted along the edges of the flower beds, repainting the bird bath, and planting flowers in the boxes along the boardwalk. The yard is a huge priority. The grass is doing a great job growing here at the museum, as I have already had to mow twice. Most of the lawn is beginning to look good but there are patches that need some warm weather to get it jump started. It shouldn't be too long as the fertilizer and weed controller has already been applied. Now, if I can only come up with something for under the trees along Neosho Street. The area bordering the gazebo and boardwalk is always very

wet and soggy when it rains. To top it all off, it is also shady as well. Perhaps some water loving plants? With these areas we seem to be very limited. Most of the grass we have planted does not like the shade and water. It is early vet. so who knows what we may find to try. We do have some new plants and bushes to plant, but I would always be open to any suggestions and/or plants you might like to donate to help out.

Hope that you are enjoying the changing season and looking forward to being outside. If you stop by that is where I will be, unless it is raining!

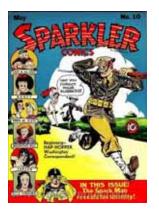


#### **Comic Books**

Comic books are still a popular medium and are collected by many people. On display now at the Coffey County Museum are 22 vintage comic books ranging from 1936 – 1946. Most of these comics were created during WWII. During this time period, the comic book industry created

many cartoon strips dealing with the happenings of the military and the war overseas. For a few examples, Donald Duck is shown in an army uniform on the cover of Walt Disney Vol. 1, No. 10 from 1942 and in 1942, Hap Hopper also wore an army uniform on Sparkler

Comics Vol. 2 No. 10 cover (shown in photo). Due to the age of the comics and the effects that light has on artifacts, the museum will only be displaying the comics for a limited time. Please stop by the museum to get a look at some amazing history!



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#### **Volunteers Needed!!**

## Weekend volunteers make our museum accessible on the weekends. We are slowly losing volunteers and not being able to find replacements. Over the past couple of months, we have had to close the museum three times on the weekends due to the lack of volunteers.

We are very thankful for the weekend volunteers we have now, but we are in need of more volunteers! Weekend Volunteers work from 1:00pm to 4:00pm on Saturday or Sunday. The jailers from the sheriff's office opens and closes the museum, so all the volunteer has to do is answer the phone and greet visitors who come into the museum. We are starting to have trouble finding volunteers due to vacation and children's sports. If you are interested in volunteering, please call us at (620) 364-2653.

#### **Membership Dues**

Membership in the Historical Society is a wonderful way to be a part of and showing support in your community. Annual membership is \$5.00 per person/ per year. You will receive a quarterly newsletter and invitations to all upcoming grand openings. LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP is our best value; with a donation of \$100 or more you no longer have to pay the \$5 annual dues. As a lifetime member your name will be put on a plaque at the entrance of the museum. A lifetime membership also qualifies you for the quarterly newsletter and invitations to all upcoming grand openings.

Please take a minute to fill out and

mail back the membership form below and return to the museum with your payment. If you prefer, come by the museum to update your membership, we would love to see you!

We are open from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday—Friday and 1:00 p.m.—4:00 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. We must receive your payment by September 19, 2009 in order for you to be eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting or by mail in ballot.

If you would like to check on the status of your membership, please contact Deborah or Erin at 364-2653 or toll free 1-888-877-2653 or by email at:

director@coffeycountymuseum.org. erin@coffeycountymuseum.org

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| L Bedwell 12               | Larry G &     | In Memory of E O Anderson | Nick Salava    | Sam J 1949      | James S Peters |
|----------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Eagle City OK              | Sallee A Hess |                           | Class of 2001  | Somerhalder     | 1853-1943      |
| Gala Ackerman              | BHS 1962      | In Memory of              | Alex Salava    | Frances & M M   | Paul S Bohrer  |
| Chanute KS 43              | Polly Epting  | Bertie Stukey             | Class of 2007  | McReynolds      | BHS 1941       |
| Harry Arnold               | BHS 1960      | In Memory of              | Marian Kent    | Bill Knapp      | In Memory of   |
| Family 2001                | J Gary Epting | Ruth Stukey               | Race 1866      | BHS 1944        | Roy T Jones    |
| In Memory of               | Dr Dale L     | John Henry                | Fannie Kent    | Andrew L        | In Memory of   |
| Eldon Garrett              | Reinker       | Johnson                   | McGowan 1867   | Hollingsworth   | Helen E Jones  |
| Pauline &                  | Joan A        | Anna Mary M.              | Larry Clark    | Caroline        | In Memory of   |
| Louie Decker               | Reinker       | Mahr Johnson              | Joanna Clark   | Hollingsworth   | Butch Bahr 01  |
| In Memory of               | Noah Plank &  | Robert Freeman            | Melvin (Toad)  | Albert D        | Clarence Kniss |
| Sylvan Bahr                | Julia Plank   | Mitchell                  | Freeman Family | Hollingsworth   | BHS 1951       |
| Laurence N & Ester C Hess  | In Memory of  | Caroline May              | Ray & Laura    | Lula Fern       | Donna Kniss    |
|                            | David W Allen | Mitchell                  | Belle Keys     | Hollingsworth   | BHS 1952       |
| L F Bedwell                | Edward J &    | Jackson &                 | Gary & Linda   | Mary Jane       | Wayne &        |
| & Family 2001              | Ethel Johnson | Margie George             | Keys           | Hollingsworth   | Sharon Hess    |
| Fred S Jones               | Eunice Cloyce | Zoe                       | Duane A Fitch  | Ivy Dorlene     | Carl &         |
| Gridley                    | Loren Johnson | Caldwell                  |                | Hollingsworth   | Carol Renfro   |
| Martha Mattox              | Walker        | Kaitlyn                   | Fitch Family   | Alice Lucille   | Cleo F Miller  |
| & Family 2001              | Trimble       | Caldwell                  |                | Hollingsworth   | 1877-1967      |
| In Memory of               | Kennedy       | Isaac                     | Cloyce Edward  | Joe Conrad      | Phyllis &      |
| Alma H Bowman              | Trimble       | Caldwell                  | Johnson        | Family          | Glenn Dorcas   |
| Jon Hotaling               | In Memory of  | Carlita BHS               | Elouise Alice  | Music Box       | Christopher    |
| CCED 2001                  | HA Dressler   | Hoover 1955               | Jones Johnson  | 2001            | "CJ" Foster    |
| Honor LD & Ruth Phillips   | In Memory of  | Larry Hoover              | John E Terry   | The             | Pauline Mae    |
|                            | Cora Dressler | BHS 1954                  | Jerry Johnson  | Free Family     | Stukey 2003    |
| Cloyce & Jo Ann            | N E Dressler  | Rod Hoover                | Eunice Marie   | RM Snyder DVM   | Elizabeth M    |
| Phillips 1977              | Killed WWII   | BHS 1974                  | Johnson Neil   | 1933-1994       | Hull           |
| Albert and                 | In Memory of  | Dan Salava                | Loren Eugene   | Nadine Lowman   | Sheldon L and  |
| Opal I Kunkel              | Jane K Knapp  | Class of 1975             | Johnson        | Lebo Kansas     | Kelly J Hull   |
| J R & Retha                | In Memory of  | Tammy Hoover              | In Memory of   | Floyd & Laura   | Charles &      |
| Sleezer 2001               | Roy Bates     | Salava BHS 76             | Robert S Luke  | Williams        | Fern Curtiss   |
| In Memory of R & E A Engel | Marj Paden    | Jon Salava                | Somerhalder    | Vaughan         | In Memory of   |
|                            | 2001          | Class of 1999             | Family         | Family          | Alma Hoover    |
| In Memory of               | In Memory of  | Joe Conrad Jr             | World War II   | Carolyn Ables   | Smith: Dennis  |
| B L Hoover                 | Jack Roush    | Class of 1970             | KIA            | Sister & Friend | And Kristin    |
| Howard Hoover              | In Memory of  | Joe Conrad Sr             | VFW            | B C Weast       | CMSgt Gorge    |
| 6-4-20 6-8-02              | Marion Carter | Conrads Store             | Post 1030      | Mom We Miss U   | Ret & Family   |
| In Memory of               | In Memory of  | Herbert &                 | United States  | R & Nita Nelson | Shirley Gorge  |
| Donald Jones               | Fred Garrett  | Jody Hood                 | Marines        | Love U Both R   | & Tierra       |

|                 | Bricks Sold     |               |                |                  |                  |  |  |  |
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| In Memory of    | Imo Garrett     | In Memory of  | Kirkham        | Bessie Little    | The Shoups       |  |  |  |
| Mary Cummings   | Age 102 years   | Lee Alvis     | Family         | Luv U Grandma    | Bill & Sharon    |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | James & Linda   | Elijah        | Charles &      | J L & Lula Lee   | Bud & Velma      |  |  |  |
| H Todd Hoover   | Salava          | Caldwell      | Evonne Gash    | Grandparents     | Strawder         |  |  |  |
| Erma M          | McAlister       | Aiden         | Ermadean &     | Geo & Marla LO   | Boyd Ferman      |  |  |  |
| Salava          | Family          | Caldwell      | Merle Newkirk  | Massingill VE    | Neil Ferman      |  |  |  |
| Lada E          | Loeretta White  | Louis D Knapp | George &       | Lee & Patty LO   | Darren & Amy     |  |  |  |
| Salava          | Nelson White MD | BHS 1954      | Evamay Remy    | VanTassel VE     | Isch & Family    |  |  |  |
| Helen L         | Don Fry Jr      | United States | Honor of Lena  | Brig '98 Wes '06 | Ed L Mitchell    |  |  |  |
| Mc Mullen       | Class of 1960   | Navy          | Morey Mitchell | Miranda '01 JOY  | 6-1963 7-1995    |  |  |  |
| Kennamore       | Catherine &     | United States | Memory of Art  | Matthew BHS      | Don Mitchell     |  |  |  |
| Family          | Larry Crotts    | Coast Guard   | & Ruth Stukey  | Kennamore 98     | 6-1963 7-1995    |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | Jayden          | World War I   | In Memory of   | Daniel BHS       | Norma Hoover     |  |  |  |
| Clyde R Traw    | Payne           | KIA           | Shirley Woods  | Kennamore 02     | Hudson BHS 47    |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | Mackenzie       | Dale & Judy   | United States  | In Memory of     | In Memory of     |  |  |  |
| James C Traw    | Payne           | Milburn       | Air Force      | Velda Hatch      | John & Cora Irey |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | George & Mary   | In Memory of  | Vietnam        | Wolf             | Ronald & Diana   |  |  |  |
| George Traw     | Theobald        | Larry Hoover  | MIA            | Creek            | Irey             |  |  |  |
| Marjorie J      | Burlington      | Randy Rogers  | Lee            | (Wolf Creek      | The              |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | Local Draft     | Norman & Irma | Fern Davidson  | Generating       | In Memory of     |  |  |  |
| Ralph W Woods   | Board #13       | Griffin       |                | Station          | Freeda Worrell   |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | United States   | Lori & Kent   | Robert L       | Alex, Abby &     | Hodges           |  |  |  |
| E J Mitchell    | Army            | Hoyt & Family | Collins        | Antony Furse     | Family           |  |  |  |
| Maxine          | Mildred Schif   | Rick & Cheryl | Janelle Shoup  | Coffey County    | Fred & Bernice   |  |  |  |
| Garrett         | BHS 1935        | Muench        | BHS 2003       | Chamber 2005     | Raaf             |  |  |  |
| Dr AB & Bess    | Cosmos Club     | W Jean        | Wayne L        | Pete W Corbin    | In Memory of     |  |  |  |
| McConnell       | Severy KS       | Beaty         | McCormick      | Helen M Corbin   | Esther Raaf      |  |  |  |
| Carlson         | Badgley         | Greg & Pam    | Dorothy M      | BHS Graduates    | Louise Clason    |  |  |  |
| Ed Nancy        | November 1983   | Stice Family  | McCormick      | Class 1955       | Stawder          |  |  |  |
| In Memory of    | John BHS        | In Memory of  | Emily Jane     | Millers of       | Gary & Linda     |  |  |  |
| Rose Williams   | McConnell 45    | Bill Veteto   | Napier         | Spring Creek     | Keys             |  |  |  |
| Meek/Eicholtz   | Dorothy L       | Devin Hoover  | In Memory of   | Darcy Angela     | Carole True      |  |  |  |
| Families        | Garrett         | Class of 2007 | Melvin Schif   | Brennan Brown    | Wilson BHS 51    |  |  |  |
| Spring Creek    | Stanton         | Ron Hoover    | Brady Rand     | Brown Quality    | Zachary Smith    |  |  |  |
| 7 Gen in Museum | Garrett         | Class of 1979 | Brett Rand     | Builders Inc.    | BHS Alum 2006    |  |  |  |
| Dan & Linda     | In Memory of    | Lori Shoup    | The Rands      | Laverne Crotts   | Bert E.          |  |  |  |
| Allen           | Edna Wilson     | Rand BHS 1991 | Brian & Lori   | Bedwell          | Johnson          |  |  |  |
| Newton-Wilson   | Jonathan        | Bob Herr      | Brandon        | Marjorie         | Sandie Hoover    |  |  |  |
| Tearney         | Jacob Hull      | BHS 1951      | Haddox 8-10-93 | Hoover Herr      | 12-31-61         |  |  |  |

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#### **Bricks Sold**

| The Humliceks | William D     | SD & EG       | Dr RJ & Mae K | Elmer & Marie | EDW L Kepler  |
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| Duane Denise  | Krebs         | Weaver        | Weaver        | Kepler        | WWII Nov 1944 |
| In Memory of  | Phil & Kathy  | William H     | Mary & Thomas | Louie & Fern  | In Memory of  |
| Larry W Lewis | Fromme        | McMullen      | Markwalter    | Manderino     | Nora Norris   |
| In Memory of  | James & Nancy | Frank H       | Gene John     | All Gave Some | Fred & Lydia  |
| Susan Hawley  | Banks         | Jennings Lebo | Class of 1960 | Some Gave All | Jones         |
| Mike & Janet  | Clarence &    | In Memory of  | In Memory of  | Ella May &    | Zachary Smith |
| Payne         | Alice Malik   | Juanita Cox   | Ira Hatch     | Wesley Hunter | BHS Alum 2006 |
| In Memory of  | Nathaniel     | In Memory     | Imo Harold    | Miranda Lee   |               |
| Merlin Hoover | James Clay    | Alan Anderson | Davidson      | Ann Clay      |               |



#### Step Into The Past...

Step into Coffey County History!

Personalized bricks are only \$40. All proceeds will fund the upkeep of the gazebo located at the Museum.

email: director@coffeycountymuseum.org

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Note from Director

Kansas sampler and become a member:

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Arapaho Road, Inman, KS 67546 or

# As much as I love Fall, I have to admit Spring is a very near second! The warmer weather, the longer days and everything budding out makes for a very pretty Kansas! Now if the weather would just decide if it is going to be cold or hot that would be a plus. In addition to our regular duties this grassroots level and continues to grow and grow every year. The annual Kansas Sampler Festival will be in Concordia this year the first weekend in May. The festival is well attended and it is a great place to learn about the sights, sounds and smells that ARE Kansas! To reach the staff of the

www.explorekansas.org.

visit them online:

Spring is a very near second! The warmer weather, the longer days and everything budding out makes for a very pretty Kansas! Now if the weather would just decide if it is going to be cold or hot that would be a plus. In addition to our regular duties this time of year we have added a couple more: The Cowgirls exhibit is going to be very nice for everyone. Ronnie Farley depicts Cowgirls in an unusual and very satisfying exhibit. The spirit of Cowgirls is what makes it a standout exhibit and luckily we were able to rent it for a "song" as my Grandmother would say. We have it for ten weeks and it will also be here during the Coffey County Fair so all the 4 H'rs and fair attendees should put this on their list of things to come see while in town. The signage is already here and it looks like quite an exhibit. Also, to find out more information about the Cowgirls exhibit visit the web: www.maaa.org and then go to Exhibits USA.

Also, The Coffey County Historical Society and Museum is on the web! In several places we have our own website www.coffeycountymuseum.org which is a great place to catch up on any missed TimeLines articles as well as see some of our past exhibits, future exhibits and announcements. If you would like to make suggestions for ways we can improve the website please contact us. Another place you can find us is on FaceBook. We now are making announcements and trying to keep everyone up to date on the happenings at the Museum and Historical Society. Same comments apply...suggestions, just leave us a note! We already have had some great feedback!

I hope everyone who receives our newsletter is also a member of the Kansas Explorers? This is a GREAT organization that was formed at a Speaking of Kansas Explorers they are working on the 8 Wonders of Kansas. Just recently they announced their 8 Wonders of Kansas for Commerce. (Wolf Creek was nominated but was NOT one of the final). The Eight are: Big Brutus, West Mineral; Brant's Meat Market, Lucas; Frontenac Bakery, Frontenac; Hemslojd, Lindsborg; Marcon Pies, Washington; Moon Marble, Bonner Springs; Stafford County Flour Mills, Hudson; and Vonada Stone Company, Sylvan Grove. The next contest is for the 8 Wonders of Kansas for Cuisine! So get your membership and start voting!

We have several opportunities for our members right now: if you have not paid your dues for 2009 we would truly appreciate you doing so. We are about to design our budget for 2010 and our membership dues play a huge part in less monies we ask for in public support. It may not seem like much...just \$5 per person to be a member but if everyone in Coffey County and beyond would join we could ask for so much less in public support from the county.

Also we are still selling bricks that surround our gazebo. We haven't sold any in a long time and we really would like to see that project completed. The brick money of late was used to offset the cost of painting the school and church last year and we still have much to do. So how about purchasing a

brick to celebrate those graduating from the county or those getting married or new babies? Every bit helps us so much!

Now, to update all of you on the Duane Fitch estate...first there is some confusion out in the public that we (Coffey County Historical Society and Museum) inherited his entire estate. We did not. We were gifted his two homes on St. Lawrence street and the contents of his home. It will take us a year or more to go through the house and bring items back to the Museum. Once we can get everything here that we have room for we will auction any items left that we will not be able to utilize at the Museum and then the 2 lots, 2 houses, garage and barn will either be auctioned or sold. That is the extent of our gift. Right now we have paid out several thousands of dollars in repairing frozen and broken pipes, electricity, heating, etc. So the sooner we can get the house emptied and sold the better the gift will end up being. We have to go through the house very, very slowly as we are finding artifacts that would be missed if we went any faster.

Also, please note the article on needing weekend volunteers. We are in a desperate situation...we pride ourselves on being the last museum in the state opened 7 days a week. We are having trouble finding volunteers for those weekend slots. Have you ever considered donating some time? We are a not for profit and this is how it works. If you could volunteer a few hours on any Saturday or Sunday the Sheriff's department opens and closes and you get the opportunity to meet and greet visitors. Our weekend volunteers are our "life blood" around here. Don't you wish you were a part of it?

Deborah Stinson Kennamore Executive Director

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|  |  |  | <b>MAY 2009</b>   |   |  |  |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|--|
| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday   |
|  |  |  |   |   | 1<br>Tour- 30 1st &<br>2nd Graders<br>Mary Ann<br>McAlister, | 2 May Daze<br>*Della Meyer<br>Leona Winter,<br>Birthday        |
| 3 *Bud & Karen<br>Redding<br>Deb, 10 yr<br>Anniversary at<br>Museum<br>Patricia &<br>Terry's | 4  | 5<br>Tour- 18 3rd<br>graders                               | 6<br>Coffey County<br>Strategic Planning<br>Kay Wildman,<br>Birthday        | 7   | 8<br>Tour– 34 2nd<br>Graders                                 | 9<br>*Darlene Smith  |
| 10<br>Mother's Day<br>Marv Withers,<br>Birthday  | 11<br>Susan Croll,<br>Birthday   | <b>12</b><br>Randy Rogers,<br>Birthday                     | 13<br>Blanca Kantock,<br>Birthday   | 14<br>Board Meeting<br>Chris Jones,<br>Birthday | 15<br>Cowgirl Exhibit  | 16<br>*Tony McClaffin<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                       |
| *Darlene Smith<br>Amy Stinson,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                                | 18 Cowgirl Exhibit   | 19<br>Rebecca<br>Vannocker,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit | 20<br>Teresa True,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                           | 21<br>SEKTR<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                  | Patty Sanborn, Birthday Florence Salisbury, Anniversary      | 23<br>Bruce & Sid<br>Meeker,<br>Anniversary<br>Cowgirl Exhibit |
| 24 *Mary Ann McAlister  31 * Glenn & Phyllis Dorcas Cowgirl Exhibit                          | 25 Memorial Day- Museum Closed Jeannene Ryan, Birthday Stephen& Deena Hedges, Anniver. | 26<br>Shane<br>Hoopingarner,<br>Birthday                   | Lisa & Terry Garrett's Annivers.  Elizabeth Stein, Birthday Cowgirl Exhibit | 28  Cowgirl Exhibit                             | 29 Cowgirl Exhibit   | 30  Cowgirl Exhibit  |

| JUNE 2009  |  |   |  |  |   |   |  |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| Sunday   | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |  |
|  | 1 Norma<br>Williams,<br>Anniversary<br>Cowgirl Exhibit           | 2<br>Della Meyer,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit        | 3<br>Coffey County<br>Strategic Planning<br>Cowgirl Exhibit              | 4<br>Tony McClaflin,<br>Anniversary<br>Cowgirl Exhibit | 5<br>Jeanne Haas,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit        | 6<br>Richard & Susan<br>Croll, Anniversary<br>Cowgirl Exhibit |  |
| <b>7</b> Cowgirl Exhibit                                   | 8 Cowgirl Exhibit  | <b>9</b> Jean Humphries,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit | 10<br>Ida Wilson, Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                            | 11<br>Board Meeting<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                 | 12 Robert & Linda<br>Luke, Annivers.<br>Cowgirl Exhibit | 13 Cowgirl Exhibit  |  |
| 14<br>Robert & Linda<br>Hyde, Annivers.<br>Cowgirl Exhibit | 15<br>Dave Norris,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                | 16 Cowgirl Exhibit                                      | 17 Carl & Lila<br>Zscheile, Annivers.<br>Patty & Gary<br>Sandborn, Anniv | 18<br>SEKTR<br>Cowgirl Exhibit                         | 19 Cowgirl Exhibit                                      | 20<br>Carrie Birk,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit             |  |
| 21 Cowgirl Exhibit   | 22 Everett &<br>Stacey Moddie,<br>Anniversary<br>Cowgirl Exhibit | 23 Cowgirl Exhibit                                      | 24 Cowgirl Exhibit   | 25 Cowgirl Exhibit                                     | 26<br>Jim Hills, Birthday<br>Warren Wilson,<br>Birthday | 27<br>Sid Meeker,<br>Birthday<br>Cowgirl Exhibit              |  |
| 28 Sharon<br>Shoup, Birthday<br>Allen Pugh,                | 29   | 30  |  |  |   |   |  |
| Birthday<br>Lester Miller,<br>Birthday                     | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit   |  |  |   |   |  |

| JULY 2009   |  |  |  |   |  |   |  |
|---|--|--|--|---|--|---|--|
| Sunday  | Monday                                     | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   | Saturday                                |  |
|   |  |  | 1<br>Coffey County<br>Strategic Planning   | 2<br>Randy Ponder,<br>Birthday<br>Millie Garrett,<br>Birthday | 3<br>Linda Bell,<br>Birthday                               | 4 Independence<br>Day-Museum<br>Closed  |  |
|   |  |  |  | Cowgirl Exhibit   |  | Cowgirl Exhibit                         |  |
| 5<br>Warren & Linda<br>Bell, Anniversary                | 6<br>Kent Hoyt,<br>Birthday                | 7<br>Jacob & Amanda<br>Stice, Anniversary<br>Shirley Ulrich,<br>Birthday | 8<br>Glenn Birk,<br>Birthday<br>Becky Jewett,<br>Birthday                                    | 9<br>Board Meeting  | 10<br>Kelly Hull,<br>Bithday                               | 11                                      |  |
| Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit                            | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit                         |  |
| 12<br>Cindy Joy,<br>Birthday<br>JD Stinson,<br>Birthday | 13   | 14   | 15<br>Lena Griffin,<br>Birthday<br>Brenda Klubek,<br>Birthday<br>Stephen Hedges,<br>Birthday | 16<br>SEKTR   | 17<br>Chris & Keri<br>Jarvis,<br>Anniversary               | 18                                      |  |
| Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit                            | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit                         |  |
| <b>19</b><br>Linda Mingle,<br>Birthday                  | 20   | 21   | 22<br>Shirley Gorge,<br>Birthday<br>Glenn & Carrie<br>Birk, Anniversary                      | 23  | 24<br>Jane Cohen,<br>Birthday<br>Polly Epting,<br>Birthday | <b>25</b><br>Micah Stinson,<br>Birthday |  |
| Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit                            | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit                         |  |
| <b>26</b> Phyllis Dorcas, Birthday                      | KMA<br>Merle & Laverne<br>Smith, Annivers. | 28<br>KMA  | 29<br>Coffey County Fair   | 30<br>Coffey County<br>Fair                                   | 31<br>Coffey County<br>Fair                                | Coffey County<br>Fair                   |  |
| Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit                            | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit   | Cowgirl Exhibit  | Cowgirl Exhibit                         |  |

<sup>\*</sup> weekend volunteers

#### Weekend Volunteers:

Della Meyer, Darlene Smith, Tony McClaflin, Mona Veteto, Lida Lawson, Warren & Ida Wilson, Bud & Karen Redding, Retha Sleezer, Mary Ann McAlister, Lois Hills, Glenn & Phyllis Dorcas, Andrea Schiffelbein, Marjorie & Janet Lewis, Herb & Jody Hood, Kelly Hull, Iona Dotson, Bob & Darlene Crouch

We are very thankful for our weekend volunteers taking their time out of the day to make sure the museum is open to the public on the weekends. Please feel free to stop in on the weekends and thank our volunteers! If you are interested in becoming a weekend volunteer, please contact the museum. Your help to the museum would be greatly appreciated!!

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