



# FARM & RANCH CLUB FLASH

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## PRESIDENT'S PEN

### Jim Bradbury

Shoot your turkey, it's Thanksgiving. Disregard the 80 degree afternoons; you need to be thinking about cranberry relish, mashed potatoes (fresh with skins), yeast rolls, pumpkin pie and GRAVY. But more importantly, you need to be thinking about your family (even the ones that annoy you), good health, a safe place to live and all of the countless people that did what they did to get us here. Great grandfathers that threw everything they had in a wagon and set off for God knows where to carve out a place. Great grandmothers that raised the kids, grew a garden and went to sleep worrying about Indians. That is a long way from diesel trucks, \$3 coffee and the almighty cell phone. But it wasn't that long ago. And what a lot of folks miss is that all of us came from that stock.

Sometime before you collapse into a turkey and dressing coma, pull out some photographs or letters from long ago and show them to the kids and the not so young. That life and the stories behind are what bind us all. And when the game is over, go outside and play football or if you are lucky enough to have a place out in the woods take a group out there.

Thanksgiving is my favorite holiday all year. I am not going to spend any time here hammering on Christmas. But I grew up pheasant hunting in western Kansas every year for Thanksgiving. That meal tastes better when you have walked half section fields of corn stubble in the snow. Every Thanksgiving dinner I have ever been invited to felt about the same. Everyone was happy to be together, thieves are stealing olives off the trays and in that last quiet moment leading to the prayer, we are thankful.

Best,

Jim

## November:

Jim Bradbury

Monday, November 16, 2009

12 Noon

Dee J. Kelly Alumni Center

2820 Stadium Drive

TCU University

Chicken Fried Steak - \$10.00

**Speaker** = TCU Ranch Management Director Cary Cornelius along with the Class of 2010 will give us an overview of their program.

## CLUB NOTES:

There will not be a meeting in December. Hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and we look forward to seeing you in January.





# **FARM & RANCH CLUB MINUTES**

## **Texas & Southwestern Cattle Raisers Museum, Brand Room**

**Oct. 27, 2009**

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34 MEMBERS AND GUESTS

**CALL TO ORDER:** Kimberly Thomas

**INVOCATION:** Buddy Almy

**WELCOME AND RECOGNITIONS:**

Kimberly welcomed members and guests to the October 2009 meeting.

**REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Kimberly mentioned that the annual meeting with TCU Ranch Management would be held on Monday Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>.

Darla informed the club that they are looking for sponsorships for the TCJLS which will be February 18 – 20<sup>th</sup>.

Treasurer's Report from Rosalind Sullivan reported an ending balance of \$8,556.51.

**PROGRAM:**

Nancy Gill, gave the club an overview of what all Superior Livestock Auction offers to its customers. Superior Livestock Auction started in 1987 with marketing livestock thru video sales. They currently have approximately 400 representatives located thru out the country and market about two million head per year. Superior also has about 100 special production sales during the months from August – May. These sales would include such offerings as breeding stock and bucking horses.

One of the newest ventures for Superior is their TV Productions department and the show, The American Rancher, broadcasting on RFD TV. Superior Productions also offers there services to individuals or companies who would like to have their ranch, business, or special sale broadcast on RFD TV.

For more information about Superior Livestock and all that they have to offer please visit their website.

[www.superiorlivestock.com](http://www.superiorlivestock.com)

**DOOR PRIZES:**

**Guest Drawing** – Rebecca Bucholtz, free lunch

**Member Drawings:** Patrick– Flash light, Walt – Dominos Set, Julie- Duck Print,  
Buddy – Sweatshirt from TCC

**ADJOURNED:** Kimberly adjourned our meeting at 1:00PM