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Ranchland Trust of Kansas and Pioneer Bluffs To Host Prairie Talk

On Saturday, March 8th at 1:00pm, Pioneer Bluffs will host an exclusive Prairie Talk focusing on the Grassland Conservation Series from Ranchland Trust of Kansas (RTK).

In the spring of last year, RTK worked with Emil Redmon's Cow to produce a specific series of interviews focused on grassland conservation and stewardship. This prairie talk will provide a unique opportunity to interact with the four ranching families that participated in the project.

Included in the interviews were Bill Sproul, Sproul Ranch of Sedan; Matt & Tom Perrier, Dalebanks Angus of Eureka; Heather Fuesz & Irlene Huntington, Double Arrow C and Huntington Ranches of Eureka; and Glenn Walker, Walker Ranch of Brookville.

"I've interviewed over 80 farmers and ranchers now, a majority from the Flint Hills. A recurring theme has been concerns about conservation and the responsibility of stewardship. I was thrilled for the opportunity to team up with RTK and explore the subject on a deeper level," said Mark Feiden, producer of Emil Redmon's Cow.

Attendees are encouraged to participate in the panel discussion on March 8th. Please watch the interviews in advance and be prepared to ask questions. <http://www.redmonscow.org/grassland.htm>

This promises to be an enlightening conversation on a subject of increasing importance as threats to our prairie ecosystems increase.

Samantha Weishaar, RTK Associate Director said, "Mark has done an excellent job on this project. Archiving these stories is so important to each family and they will get to share it with future generations. We encourage you to attend and see this truly inspirational series come to life."

Homemade cookies and refreshments will be served. RSVPs are appreciated, but not required, and can be made to 620-753-3484 or info@pioneerbluffs.org. Donations will support future program events. Visitors are invited to come early to tour the grounds, walk the nature trail, and see updated displays in the historic 1908 ranch house at Pioneer Bluffs.

Pioneer Bluffs, the Center for Flint Hills Ranching Heritage, is a nonprofit organization with a mission to preserve and share the ranching heritage of the Flint Hills. A National Register Historic District, Pioneer Bluffs is located 14 miles south of Cottonwood Falls or 1 mile north of Matfield Green on Flint Hills National Scenic Byway K-177.

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