

Focus on the College of Agriculture ...

# Celebrating 150 Years

The Museum of Wonder exhibit in the Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art showcases some interesting agriculture pieces, including a cow skeleton, millstones, a bronze bull sculpture, a rolltop desk that belonged to entomologist Reginald Painter, and corn-shaped pottery. Emeriti professors Miles McKee, animal science, and Gerry Posler, agronomy, walked through the exhibit with dean and director John Floros, while sharing information about the pieces from their units.



The skeletal remains of "old No. 96" borrowed from Weber Hall. Miles McKee shared that the cow met her fate when he was K-State herdsman (1959–1965). Listen to his story and more at [www.ksre.ksu.edu/agreport](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/agreport).

Also on display is the bronze bull presented to K-State after winning the judging contest at the International Livestock Exposition three years in a row (1936–1938) and two mounted New Hampshire red chickens donated by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wallace.

View videos of the exhibit and hear histories of these objects at [www.ksre.ksu.edu/agreport](http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/agreport)



Professor emeritus Gerry Posler and dean and director John Floros discuss objects on loan from the Department of Agronomy, including pottery from an exhibit of corn objects collected around the world and donated to the department by Wayne H. Freeman.



Professor emeritus Miles McKee and dean and director John Floros visit with Linda Duke, director of the Marianna Kistler Beach Museum of Art, about the objects from the College of Agriculture submitted for the sesquicentennial Museum of Wonder exhibit.

Ahearn Field House was alive with music, displays, and cheers on February 14 at the kickoff of K-State's 150th birthday celebration.



Above and top right: Displays for the College of Agriculture and K-State Research and Extension provided historical information.



Above: Former K-State student body presidents Gov. Sam Brownback, Jackie McClaskey, Greg Musil, and Nate Spriggs lead the crowd in a cheer during the sesquicentennial opening ceremonies in Ahearn Field House. Gov. Brownback (1978–1979), McClaskey (1991–1993), and Spriggs (2011–2013) are among the 24 College of Agriculture student body presidents.

Right: Current student body president Nate Spriggs addresses the crowd.



Jared Parsons (BS '07 animal science), dairy plant manager, and Haley Matlack, dairy plant student employee, sample Wildcat Birthday 150 ice cream. They created the white-based ice cream with cubes of birthday cake and purple sprinkles especially for the sesquicentennial. It was served at the Ahearn celebration, and it is available at the Call Hall Dairy Bar through October.

