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Never Too Late

As I head toward a birthday this week, my coworker loans me a book. I suppose to soften the “blow”. I’ve not had time to read much of it, but it’s going to be a good one. “We contain all the ages we have ever been” Annie Lamont is the first thing you read. I like that, some days I can throw a tantrum like a 2-year-old, be selfish as a 6-year-old, be a young nurturing mom again and when I feel like it, I can act my age!

The other good saying “You’re never too old, and it’s never too late”, is going to be my new mantra! The book is titled, “This Chair Rocks: A Manifesto Against Ageism” by Ashton Applewhite.

So going along with my mantra, I’ve decided to try something new. We are starting some Beef focus groups. We will have small groups of people gathering to discuss topics or issues of their beef farms or ranches. I’m excited to see where this leads. These groups will meet as often as they choose and will pick their own topics.

My job, will be to find them resources or experts to help them find the solution for their individual situations. The dairy group used this format, and found it to be very beneficial. We are even going to try some Dairy groups later this year.

So if this sounds like something interesting to you, give me a call and we’ll see if we can find other likeminded people in your area and start a group.

The “Me Too” movement has changed the faces of our morning news shows, put a few empty seats in our Capital building and now, the CEO of the Humane Society of the United States has resigned. The allegations against Wayne Pacelle, have been reported in the Washington Post. Wayne Pacelle, was an effective CEO, growing the HSUS from \$160 million in assets to \$210 million in the last decade. All the whilst, he was quoted as saying, “I don’t have a hands-on fondness for animals, I did not grow up bonded to any particular nonhuman animal. I like them and I pet them and I’m kind to them, but there’s no special bond between me and other animals.” That explains a lot!

The nonprofit Center for Consumer Freedom (CCF) runs a watchdog organization, said, “For years, HSUS has fundraised on the backs of cats and dogs to pay for exorbitant executive salaries, legions of lawyers, and parking \$50 million into offshore accounts”, CCF Managing Director Will Coggin. “It is clear that HSUS is humane in name only. It does not value its female staff, its donors, or the animals it uses as window dressing.”

The CCF ran a Super Bowl ad, which urged viewers to donate to local shelters instead of HSUS. The local shelters will help with local animals; they will not send donations to offshore accounts!!

Sheep & Goat workshop, February 22nd, at 501 West Avenue, Highland Kansas. The event will run 7 to 9 pm, featured speaker is our new Sheep & Goat Specialist, Dr Alison Crane.