

# Fertrell Notes & Quotes



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## Notes from the President's Desk: Dave Mattocks



As you read this, our gardens will be well on the way to reaching peak production to satisfy appetites for fresh food. We hope your garden is meeting your expectations. Your production goals should always be just beyond the level you reach.

Let me encourage you to look for more from your garden than just what you eat. My garden holds so much more than growing plants, ripening fruit, insects and weeds. The benefits we gain from working in the midst of nature are immeasurable.

Regardless of what you are growing, gardens can be therapeutic, refreshing and educational.

Our abilities to see, smell, touch, hear and especially taste can be stimulated in the garden. If we look closely at the garden, we can see many life forms, working in perfect harmony.

Many times in my garden, thoughts turn to how it must have been in the Garden of Eden. Aggression, ambition to control, discontentment, sickness and confusion could not have been present.

For those who choose to believe in creation, we find a peaceful presence in the garden - life all around us making a concerted effort to survive and reproduce. Genesis 3:8 says..."And they heard the voice of the Lord walking in the cool of the day..."

Mornings or evenings are the ideal times to gather the benefits we outlined above:

Therapy, education and refreshment are priceless, and all are flourishing in your garden.

- My hope for you is for health and prosperity.

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## Just some interesting musings. By Jeff Mattocks

Many of you are aware of the movement to eliminate soy products from the foods we eat as well as the foods we feed to our animals. I receive anywhere from 10-12 requests per week for soy free feed recipes. In an effort to understand what the concerns are, I have been looking for some convincing "hard" data. I see and hear a lot of supposition and suggestive thoughts and concerns regarding soy but so far have failed to get good, credible, scientific comparison data that shows it to be any worse than any other legume protein.

Not long ago a friend shared some interesting tidbits of information with me from a book written in England - Niche and Organic Chicken Products, by SH Gordon & DR Charles Nottingham University Press, Nottingham, NG11 0AX, United Kingdom, ISBN: 1-897676-96-4. The accompanying tables 3, 4, and 5 were hand copied from this book.

I found the information in tables to be very interesting. Researchers from around the world are looking at the feeding limitation and anti-nutritional factors of many of our common protein sources. They have found that ALL of the protein sources that we commonly use have limitations when feeding to animals. The researchers also found that all anti-nutritional factors will cause side effects.

This is not at all meant to alarm or scare anyone. My hope is that, with access to more credible information, we can all make wiser decisions about what we feed our animals and ourselves.

By the way, a "musing" is defined as:

1. Contemplation; meditation.
2. A product of contemplation; a thought.

I just learned that today myself.

Table 3: Example of Vitamin Contents of Full Fat Soya, Wheat and Peas, for Comparison

Vitamin	Units	Full Fat	Wheat	Peas
Vitamin E	mg/kg	40	13	1
Pantothenic	mg/kg	10	12	11
Niacin	mg/kg	15	55	37
Choline	mg/kg	2174	2200	668
Riboflavin	mg/kg	2.4	1.1	2.2
Thiamin (B1)	mg/kg	1.8	4.8	7.4
Biotin	mg/kg	0.31	0.11	0.16
Folic Acid	mg/kg	0.53	0.4	0.3
Vitamin A	10 <sup>3</sup> iu/kg	3.2	0	0

(Based on Leeson & Summers, 1997)

**Table 4: Antinutritional Factors in Alternative Protein Sources**

Protein Source	Antinutritional Factors	Possible Palliatives	References
Soya	Protease inhibitors, lectins, antigenic proteins, alkaloids	Heat treatment	van Kempen & Jansman (1994), Huisman & Tolman (1992)
Peas	Protease inhibitors, lectins, pectins, phenolics, tannins, haemmagglutinins	Micronisation	Igbasan & Guenter (1996), Igbasan & Guenter (1997), Huisman & Tolman (1992), Castell et al., (1996)
Lupins	Alkaloids, raffinose oligosaccharides, pectins, α-galactosides	Sweet Lupins spp.	Olver & Jonker (1997), van Kempen & Jansman (1994), Huisman & Tolman (1992)
Beans	Tannins, trypsin inhibitor, lectins, phenolics, vicine/covicine	Heat treatment	Canstanon & Perez-Lanzac (1990), Huisman & Tolman (1992),
Sunflower	Trypsin Inhibitors, phenolics, phytates, chlorogenic acid, quinic acid		Huisman & Tolman (1992), van Kempen & Jansman (1994)
Rapeseed	Glucosinolates, phenolics, tannins, phytic acid, pectins, sinapines, euric acid	Low glucosinolate varieties	Khattak et al., (1996), van Kempen & Jansman (1994), Huisman & Tolman (1992), McDonald et al., (1995)
Linseed	Vitamin B6 antagonist, trypsin inhibitor, cyanogenic glucoside		van Kempen & Jansman (1994)

**Table 5: Some Published Suggested Maximums inclusion rates of various Vegetable Protein Sources**

Protein Source	Broiler Feeds	Layer Feeds	References
Peas	25% - 30%	15%-20%, 30% for better egg taste	UNIP-ITCF (1995)
	5% to week 4, 10% after week 4	10%	Leeson & Summers (1997)
		10%	Larbier & Laclercq (1992)
		30%	Castanon & Perez-Lanzac (1990)
		20%	Igbasan & Guinter (1997b)
Lupins	5%	10%	McDonald <i>et al.</i> , (1995)
	8% to week 4, 10% after week 4	15%	Leeson & Summers (1997)
		20%	Castanon & Perez-Lanzac (1990)
Beans		10%	Larbier & Laclercq (1992)
	30%		Jansman <i>et al.</i> , (1993)
Sunflower	8% to week 4, 10% after week 4	10%	McDonald et al., (1995)
		15%	Leeson & Summers (1997)
Rapeseed	5%		McDonald et al., (1995)
	10% (double 00 varieties)	10%(double 00 varieties: white layers only)	van Kempen & Jansman (1994)
	5% in Starter 8% in Finisher		Leeson & Summers (1997)

## Tips from the front

Soil samples - If you are sending soil tests, please send them directly to the lab (your postage should be the same). Sending them to the Fertrell office will delay processing time. The address for the lab is on the top of your soil submittal form. Also, please fill out the form completely with your contact info (complete address & phone number). Include the local dealer's name (if you are working with one), and include the crops to be grown. This will help expedite the processing of the samples.



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## Just a reminder (for our local route delivery customers) by Ralph Stauffer

To keep our costs down, we need to operate as efficiently as possible. You can help by ordering enough product to meet your needs for an entire month. Although occasional changes in rations or other unanticipated needs occur, we need to keep these occurrences at a minimum to serve you all effectively.

Unnecessary deliveries are expensive and time consuming. Special deliveries require a special delivery fee. Smaller items are shipped via mail or UPS at your expense to avoid unnecessary delivery runs.

So please put a little more time into putting your order together, and you will be helping us to use our time more efficiently to service ALL customers in a timely manner.

Thanks for your help in this.



## Featured New Product - Cal-Mag Booster - Fresh Cow Supplement

Cal-Mag Booster is a blend of Aragonite, organic sugar, Epsom salts (for magnesium), Fertrell Invigorate, cayenne pepper powder, and vitamin C. These are essential minerals, both macro and micro, combined with high levels of vitamin and direct-fed microbials to replenish lost body reserves at the time of stress and birthing. Cal-Mag is intended to give freshening animals a boost at calving, kidding or lambing. Use proportionately less for the smaller ruminants based on body weight. This package is designed for animals in the 750 - 1000 lb. body weight range. It is intended to help prevent milk fever, alert downers, grass tetany - staggers, or in general, off feed conditions. Packaged in 12.5 oz pouches, each pack is a single dose to be mixed with 6-8 oz vinegar. Allow to rest for 5 minutes, then give orally. Each pouch is heat sealed to lengthen shelf life and help to preserve integrity and freshness.

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## From the Desk of "De Ode Farm Gal" - By Jeannie Litchard

Redmond Clay -- There is nothing I can think of that this product can't do. It's real "must have" for the farm and farm house.

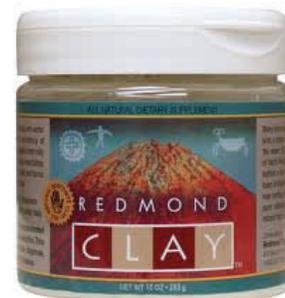
I have had many cows wrap the neck chain around their leg, creating a deep cut in the flesh. If you make a heavy paste with Redmond Clay and water and spread it on the open wound, there will be no swelling or infection. For tramped teats, make a runny liquid of the clay and use as a teat dip to prevent swelling and take the soreness out.

Udder sores? Mix up and apply a paste, and the sores will disappear within days. Use often on any cuts, swelling or infection.

In the home, a paste made from Redmond Clay provides immediate relief for bee stings or other skin injuries. My husband accidentally burned his hand with a torch. As I ran for the clay, the swelling and pain had already started. When the paste was applied to his hand, he felt instant relief - the pain stopped, the swelling went down and he was back to work the next day! If you get poison ivy you won't want to be without Redmond Clay. Whip up a small batch of the paste and keep it in a small (baby food) jar to apply when needed - it works every time! This product makes the best facial cream. Although it won't make you look younger, your face will feel wonderful for much less money than at the beauty spa.

My absolute favorite use for Redmond Clay is this: I have a very poor stomach and have been on expensive medication (Prilosec) and others forever. Now I use Redmond Clay every morning and whenever my stomach is upset - I definitely would not leave home without my clay. Start with a 1/2 teaspoon in yogurt, or sprinkle it on your cereal. If you don't like the taste, remember the many benefits of this product - the big one being price compared to Prilosec.

Pick up your Redmond Clay from any of our Fertrell Dealers.



## Summer specials

Water soluble **Nutri-Sil** - A live bacteria, added to silage and baled forages to assist the fermentation process. Nutri-Sil causes the forages to retain more of their moisture, protein and energy value and increases the palatability and digestibility of the harvested crop. **10% introductory discount from now through August 31st, 2011.**



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**Available in 32 oz hose end sprayer and 64 oz. concentrate and are 20% off while supplies last.**



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**Fertrell Foliar 2-3-1 qt** - All natural (not certifiable) fish fertilizer that contains 13% amino acids. These amino acid proteins stay in the topsoil, and the nitrogen-based proteins are slowly broken down from bacillus bacteria. The portion of the spray that comes in contact with the soil will multiply and improve the soil's micro elements. For use on lawns, turf, vegetables, fruit trees and shrubs.

**20% discount while supplies last**



**Bobbex Deer Repellent** -the most effective long lasting spray on the market. It is environmentally friendly, using all natural ingredients that stop deer from browsing. IT WILL NOT WASH OFF. Bobbex Deer Repellent can be used on all ornamental shrubs and flowers, and around vegetables.

Bobbex is a safe and highly proven natural deer repellent. It safely disrupts the foraging pattern of deer and deters them from browsing on your property. It is effective in protecting your plants from Whitetail deer, Blacktail deer, Mule deer, Sika deer, elk and Moose.

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## She Is Ready - Are You? By Don Brubaker

So you bought a bred sow or gilt - what comes next?

When I was a young teenager, all I could think of was getting my own swine breeding stock. (Well, I guess girls were pretty high on that list also...). My mom and dad finally agreed with my plan, citing only one stipulation and that was that this would be 100% my project and that my dad's sole responsibilities would be to help with the building of the needed equipment and to see to it that the loan officer was there when I needed money. My mom was kind enough to pitch in and care for the animals when I went away for the weekend - blessings to her for that.

Our first project was to make racks for the pickup truck so that I could haul my pigs to and from the auction. I started out by just using the old bank barn to house my dream and off I went. Those days were good. The industry at that time was moving fast toward confinement production so that was all I knew. As I write this article, the pasture swine movement is gaining lots of ground again. The question is, is it time for you?

I started out by buying bred gilts at a local auction in Kirkwood, Pa. They were typically a cross between Landrace and Hampshire or Yorkshire and Hampshire. Back then, heritage breeds were not well known, or at least not in my circle. Boars were also locally available, so I made sure that I had a strong healthy one on the ground. This would ensure that I could get my investment breed back.

In previous articles I wrote about fencing and keeping your animals contained in the desired pastures. In this article I would like to talk about the care of a breed hog and their litter of pigs. When you look into buying your first breeding stock, you will want to first look at the animal's disposition. Pay attention to how she interacts with the rest of the animals in the group. Her demeanor may be one of the most important factors, because if it isn't acceptable around your family or her litter, what good is she? Watch her walk, and watch her stand - if she can't do either well, leave her behind. Without good legs under her, she may not be able to get around the pastures and most likely will not be able to hold a boar's weight at breeding time. You will also want to look at her underline to make sure she has enough teats. A good number is fourteen to sixteen well-placed, defined teats. Remember - the number of teats will dictate how many pigs she will be able to nurse along until weaning. Next I would look at her weight verses her age - she should be at least six months old and weigh two hundred and thirty pounds.

The sun is rising, and with great anticipation you run to the barn to find fourteen piglets resting comfortably next to mom's belly. What a perfect litter they are! You now must continue to care for the new mom so that she can do her job. And if she does it right, she just might be weaning all fourteen of those piglets in six to eight weeks.



## She Is Ready - Are You? continued By Don Brubaker

Once you get your sow home to the boar, he will take care of the rest. It will really help you to know exactly when she was bred, so be on the lookout for telltale signs that she is in heat. You should see her vulva swell and turn red, with a bit of a discharge. The discharge should be clear and smooth-feeling to the touch. If it is off color, that may indicate an infection, and she will not breed (or at least not be fertile) until it is cleared up. Females that are in heat may also "ride" other animals. A typical heat cycle will last from twelve to forty eight hours, with an interval of twenty one days for the estrus cycle. The average gestation lasts three months, three weeks and three days, or one hundred twelve to one hundred sixteen days.

If you really want to be adventurous, try buying and administering the semen yourself. The challenge here is that you will need to be as smart as the boar is when it comes to knowing when the sow is in heat. This method has some real benefits - number one being the safety of your family and other farm laborers, since boars can really be mean and dangerous to deal with. This type of breeding is well worth looking into since it also provides the opportunity for faster genetic improvement of your herd, due to more ready access to a wider range of breeds and bloodlines.

So you know she is bred, and you have a good idea when she may farrow. I recommend moving her to the farrowing pen five to seven days prior to the best known due date. Provide her with plenty of bedding so that when she is ready, she can make a nest for herself and the new litter to come. She will start to get restless and may reduce her consumption of feed before farrowing. Remember to always keep plenty of fresh, clean water available at all times. Depending on the time of year, you may need to add a heat source for the piglets. This can be done by simply using a heat lamp in the corner of the pen.

After farrowing, your new mom will not eat large amounts of feed right away, but it is important that she at least eats a little to let you know that she is feeling ok. Increase her feed intake to full feed as soon as she will consume it. The amount may need to be regulated depending on her body condition and number of piglets she is nursing. Remember that a sow that is too fat at the end of her lactation may not breed back.

The baby pigs will also need some attention along the way. As long as the pigs are raised on pasture and the sow is being fed Fertrell minerals, there is no need for iron shots. On pasture, the tails should stay on, and it is up to you whether or not to cut the needle teeth. Castrating the males is somewhat up to you: today's industry does it at day one, but I recommend doing it at five to six weeks of age. If you would like to keep track of family line, you will need to purchase an ear notching tool.

I would recommend keeping the pigs with the sow for eight weeks, at which time they can be weaned right onto the Fertrell sixteen percent grower ration.

Always remember to have fun along the way.



# GM food toxins found in the blood of 93% of unborn babies: By Sean Poulter

The Daily Mail, [www.dailymail.co.uk](http://www.dailymail.co.uk) Last updated at 11:07 AM on 20th May 2011

## GM firms claimed toxins were destroyed in the gut



Study: Mothers to be were tested

Toxins implanted into GM food crops to kill pests are reaching the bloodstreams of women and unborn babies, alarming research has revealed.

A landmark study found 93 per cent of blood samples taken from pregnant women and 80 per cent from umbilical cords tested positive for traces of the chemicals.

Millions of acres in North and South America are planted with GM corn containing the toxins, which is fed in vast quantities to farm livestock around the world - including Britain.

However, it is now clear the toxins designed to kill crop pests are reaching humans and babies in the womb - apparently through food.

It is not known what, if any, harm this causes but there is speculation it could lead to allergies, miscarriage, abnormalities or even cancer.

To date the industry has always argued that if these toxins were eaten by animals or humans they would be destroyed in the gut and pass out of the body, thus causing no harm.

Food safety authorities in Britain and Europe have accepted these assurances on the basis that GM crops are effectively no different to those produced using conventional methods.

But the latest study appears to blow a hole in these claims and has triggered calls for a ban on imports and a total overhaul of the safety regime for GM crops and food.

Most of the global research which has been used to demonstrate the safety of GM crops has been funded by the industry itself.



GM: Ninety-three per cent of samples from pregnant women and 80 per cent from umbilical cords tested positive for traces of toxins. Picture posed by model.

The new study was carried out by independent doctors at the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, at the University of Sherbrooke Hospital Centre in Quebec, Canada.

They took blood samples from 30 pregnant women and 39 other women who were not having a baby.

They were looking for residues of the pesticides associated with the cultivation of GM food.

These include so-called Bt toxins, which are implanted using GM techniques into corn and some other crops.



Fragile: It is not known what effect the toxins have on the unborn foetus

Traces of Bt toxin were found in the blood of 93 per cent of the pregnant mothers - 28 out of 30. It was also found in 80 per cent of the umbilical cords - 24 out of 30.

In the non-pregnant group, traces were found in the blood of 69 per cent - 27 out of 39. It is thought the toxin is getting into the human body as a result of eating meat, milk and eggs from farm livestock fed GM corn.

The Canadian team told the scientific journal *Reproductive Toxicology*: 'This is the first study to highlight the presence of pesticides associated with genetically modified foods in maternal, foetal and non-pregnant women's blood.'

They said the Bt toxin was 'clearly detectable and appears to cross the placenta to the foetus'.

Calling for action, the team said: 'Given the potential toxicity of these environmental pollutants and the fragility of the foetus, more studies are needed.'

The director of GM Freeze, an umbrella group for community, consumer and environmental organisations opposed to GM farming, described the research as 'very significant'.

Pete Riley said: 'This research is a major surprise as it

shows that the Bt proteins have survived the human digestive system and passed into the blood supply - something that regulators said could not happen.

'Regulators need to urgently reassess their opinions, and the EU should use the safeguard clauses in the regulations to prevent any further GM Bt crops being cultivated or imported for animal feed or food until the potential health implications have been fully evaluated.'



Biohazard: Millions of acres in North and South America are planted with GM corn containing the toxins, which is fed in vast quantities to farm livestock worldwide

The Agriculture Biotechnology Council, which speaks for the GM industry, questioned the reliability and value of the research.

Its chairman, Dr Julian Little, said: 'The study is based on analysis that has been used in previous feeding studies and has been found to be unreliable.'

He said the toxins found are also used in other farming systems and gardening 'with no harm to human health'.

Dr Little said: 'Biotech crops are rigorously tested for safety prior to their use and over two trillion meals made with GM ingredients have been safely consumed around the world over the past 15 years without a single substantiated health issue.'

Read more: <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-1388888/GM-food-toxins-blood-93-unborn-babies.html#ixzz1Myyxe3IO>

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**One of a kind farmette** - located 7 walking blocks from the Lititz town square, and 6 blocks from Wilbur Chocolate, this property dates back to 1813 with its original barn. The house was built in 1842 and is three bricks thick. Contact Terri at (717) 587-2397 or [terri@goldenglenalpacas.com](mailto:terri@goldenglenalpacas.com) (T0611)

### **Wanted:**

**50+ tillable acres in southwestern PA or Ohio** - with or without a house, under \$500,000 (724) 350 5891. Email: [Randymetz.jr@gmail.com](mailto:Randymetz.jr@gmail.com) May be it's a lost cause, but we are having to sell our 32 acres as the Boro ruled gardens are ag and we are zoned residential. We have to remove the tractors & equipment ASAP. It's not worth the money to appeal their ruling, better to just move on. Randy Metz, Jr. (T0311)

**Investors wanted** for a three year purchase of an organic feed supplement and fertilizer company in the Central states. We would perform the sales operation and train persons. In three years, it will be time to retire. If interested, send questions to [Fkuhn85264@aol.com](mailto:Fkuhn85264@aol.com). (T0511)

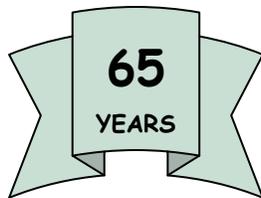


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**July 13, 2011**- Grazing Field Day, Sugar Hill Farm, St. Marys, PA, Topics will include: Successful operation and management on the farm including organic grass fed beef, RMA pasture insurance update and walking tour of the farm. Contact Diane Myers at 814-776-5373.

**July 16th 2011** - 7th Annual Family Farm Field Day, Henry Hershberger Farm 3784 Penrod Road, Sugarcreek, OH 44681 For information, call (330) 674-4267

**July 19th, 2011** - Woodlot Pork: Raising Pigs in Their Natural Environment - Forks Farm, Columbia Co, PA Sponsored by Fertrell. For info, visit [www.pasafarming.org/FarmBasedEducation](http://www.pasafarming.org/FarmBasedEducation) or call Rebecca at (814) 349- 9856, ext 20

**September 28th, 2011** - Briars to Bovines: Reclaiming Abandoned Farmland, at Provident Farms, Tioaga Co, PA. Sponsored by Fertrell. For info, visit: [www.pasafarming.org/FarmBasedEducation](http://www.pasafarming.org/FarmBasedEducation) or call Rebecca at (814) 349-9856 ext 20