Introduction

Can you believe it? We have Will Rogers with us tonight. I thought he died in 1935, but I guess not, because he's here.

Will Rogers never met a man he didn't like.

And, everyone likes Will Rogers.

He was born on a ranch in Indian Territory, in what is now the state of Oklahoma.

He is known as a movie star, a writer, a radio commentator and professional speaker.

He pokes fun at Congress and jokes with presidents.

In the early part of the nineteen hundreds, Will Rogers was our best known American. He was a legend , and his legacy endures. His wit and wisdom are still fresh.

Put your brain on 'full alert'.

Not only are we going to experience Will Rogers as he was in the 1920's and 1930's, we'll also hear him as Will Rogers Today.

Let's welcome...Will Rogers.

After the presentation... (Not all of the following would be used; use what fits the occasion.)

Who is this Will Rogers? He is Randall Reeder. He grew up on a livestock farm in West Virginia. He graduated from West Virginia University.

Since 1979 Randall has been on the faculty at Ohio State University where he is an Extension Agricultural Engineer and Associate Professor.

In his full-time work at the university he works with conservation tillage systems, soil compaction and 4H youth programs.

He is a member of the National Speakers Association, American Farm Bureau, and the National Society of Professional Engineers.

Randall has a website: WillRogersToday.com You'll find Will Rogers quotes and photos; and articles about Will and Randall.