**The Hat Man!**  
  
Just how many hats can be worn by one over-active person? The activities of one farmer/rancher involve many duties. You may find them wearing a baseball cap, a tractor or truck cap, a straw hat, a seed corn toboggan, even a fancy western style hat. A farmer/rancher wears many hats depending on his/her duties for today’s activities.  
  
Accountant- record keeping for crops, animals, debits and receipts.  
  
Agronomist- selecting seeds and developing crop rotations to match soils.  
  
Banker- a financial manager of farm budgets.  
  
Citizen- serving as a member of a county governing body, school board, health care facilities and others.  
  
Environmentalist- protecting, conserving the land and water, also using natural resources wisely.  
  
Inspector- providing a safe, healthy and wholesome food supply for family and consumers.  
  
Lawyer- being familiar with many rules and regulations, also business agreements and contracts.  
  
Marketing Agent- sale and delivery of farm crops and livestock to their best advantage.  
  
Mechanic- making necessary adjustments and repairs to farm machinery and family vehicles.  
  
Nutritionist- developing nutritional feeds (foods) for crops and livestock.  
  
Purchasing Agent- buying all the supplies necessary to raise crops and livestock.  
  
Veterinarian- developing health programs to keep all livestock entrusted to their care and health.  
  
Parent- teaching children good citizenship, assisting with school homework, attending school sporting events and church.  
  
**We may not recognize which hat he wears today but the goal of each hat is raising and delivery of a safe, healthy and wholesome food to America’s dinner table while protecting the environment.**  
  
  
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