
Economic Sector - Agriculture

Kim Sytsma, Athens

Kim Sytsma and her husband Charlie have been running a cow/calf operation in the Athens area since 1980.

As the Sytsma family grew to include four children, so did their cattle herd. They now have 220 cows and they farm 1,500 acres. The Sytsma farm empties into the Cataraqui Region as well as the Rideau Valley watersheds.

Kim has been a member of the Beef Farmers of Ontario (formerly Ontario Cattlemen's Association) Board of Directors for over twenty years. She has also sat on the Canadian Cattlemen's Board of Directors.

Her other current leadership roles in the farm community include serving as Chair of the Leeds Federation of Agriculture, Chair of the Association of Community Pastures and the Chair of the Leeds Community Pasture.