

KERNELS OF LEARNING

Personalized Education— Generation 5 Edition

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The “Art” of Giving

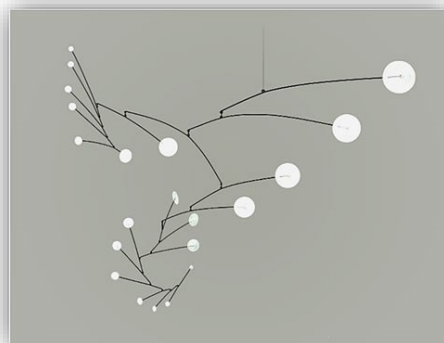
Nancy and Libby’s Contributions

The Babsons and Tiekens had an eye for beauty: architecture, boats, horses, artifacts, art and more.

Nancy held positions at a number of notable museums but her final position was at the Denver Art Museum. She was gifted as a curator and in her ability to describe art to enrich the viewers experience. She funded the “Lao Tzu,” statue by Mark di Suvero, that some have referred to as “the city’s finest work of contemporary public art.” She also funded Donald Lipski’s “The Yearling,” the well-known sculpture of the giant red chair and miniature horse at the library. She was also credited with funding many works of art within the museum itself, including James Turrell's "Trace Elements" (not pictured below) and Alexander Calder's "Snow Flurry."

Libby’s bequest to the Denver Art Museum provided funding for an exhibit called, *Serious Play - Design In Midcentury America*, that is now on display at the museum. It explores how employing playfulness allowed designers to bring fresh ideas to the American home, children’s toys and play spaces, and corporate identities. Click [here](#) to read more about the exhibit in this Denver Post article.

Tieken Sister’s Impact on the Denver Art Community



- Chuck’s Birthday January 9th
- JT’s Birthday February 9th
- Andronica’s Birthday March 14th
- Tim & Cho’s Anniversary April 3rd
- Dave & MJ’s Anniversary April 25th
- Mary Jane’s Birthday May 5th
- Sarah’s Birthday May 14th
- Mary Elizabeth’s Birthday May 19th
- Cho’s Birthday June 4th
- Henry’s Birthday July 28th

Financial \$ense

Tipping Etiquette

Guidelines to Show Your Gratitude



It's a familiar dilemma: Should I tip this person? If so, how much? When it comes to gratuities, there aren't any hard-and-fast rules. But, keep in mind, many service workers depend on tips to make a living. In fact, the minimum wage for tipped workers can be as low as \$2 per hour in some states. Here are some quick tips (get it?) to help you show your gratitude for the services shown below.

EVERYDAY LIFE



1 CLEANING SERVICE

15% to 20% is normal. During the holidays, opt to give an additional \$20 maximum increase.

2 CONTRACTOR

(electricians, plumbers, etc.)

While it's not expected, a minimum \$20 tip is good.

3 EXTERMINATOR

Tips aren't expected, but a \$5 to \$10 tip (or \$20 during the holidays), or a restaurant gift card, is good for those giving service above and beyond the call of duty.

4 MOVERS

For local moves, \$20 per mover is proper. For long-distance moves, increase the tip depending on the length of the move..

5 POSTAL CARRIER

Civil servants are not allowed to accept cash gifts, but a gift valued about \$20 around the holidays is a nice way to show your appreciation for their work throughout the year.

Resource: blog.mint.com

1 HAIRSTYLIST/BARBER

Minimum 15% to 20% of the cost of service, which might be split among others who assisted.

2 MANICURE/PEDICURE

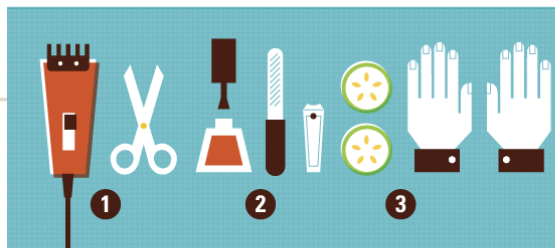
Minimum 15% to 20% of the service.

3 SPA SERVICES

(e.g., massage)

15% to 20%; no tip necessary if service is provided by the owner.

BEAUTY



Check It Out

Libby Memorial Slideshow <https://youtu.be/sgSMvGQrlls>

Babson Memories Slideshow <https://vimeo.com/231610306>

The Babson Family Website <https://zalongo.com/group/babson>

Giving Back

Babson Farms Planting a Legacy in the Community

Courtesy of the DeKalb County Farm Bureau

In March, Babson Farms' Farm Manager, Eric Lawler, was recognized for his decades of service, teaching, and dedication to agronomy. For the full story, click [here](#).

Babson Farms is proud of Eric's dedication to the community and the next generation through education about farming and its importance.



By the Numbers: Eric Lawler

- 2,104 Students reached
- 87 Classroom presentations made
- 22 Years of AITC outreach (1997-2019)
- 13 Schools visited in
- 5 different districts
- 1st - 5th Grade lessons presented

*DeKalb County Farm Bureau's
Ag in the Classroom Program*

unlock the secrets in the soil

Agronomy 101

101 Ways to Learn About Agriculture

Normally in this section we have an educational article about agronomy written by our very own Eric Shearer. However, in this newsletter we thought it would be fun to highlight yet another way Babson Farms is helping to educate future generations about agriculture.

At the end of 2018, thirty-four DeKalb area schools received donated books from the DeKalb County Farm Bureau through its Ag Literacy Program. A total of 174 books were distributed which brought the total donated to over 100 titles (101 to be exact). 3,300 items have been donated to school libraries since 2002.

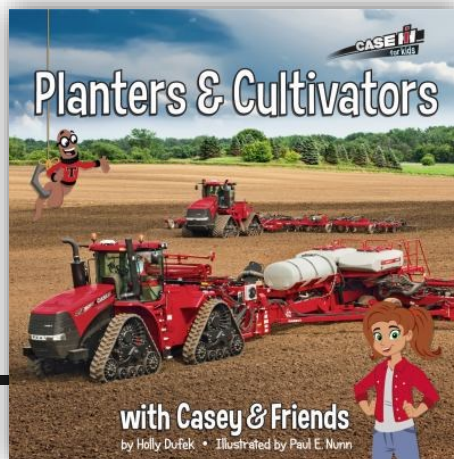
Local sponsors, like Babson Farms, make the donations of ag-related children's books possible. Agribusinesses, ag-related organizations, and farm families step up each year to provide the funds needed to buy books which help to tell their story. Each donated book contains a label recognizing the sponsor or sponsors of that title.

Babson Farms sponsored the book *Planters & Cultivators* which introduces children to the world of modern farming and the specialized equipment that is used on the farm for cultivating, planting and spraying crops.

This book is filled with colorful action photographs, fun illustrations and a cast of cartoon equipment characters. Narrated by Casey the farmer and Tillus the worm. Tammi the Tiller, Evan the Early Riser planter and Peter the Patriot Sprayer work hard to get the spring planting done on Happy Skies Farm.

The science of land cultivation and planting is explained in fun terms for children to learn about this essential part of farming. Recommended for ages 4-8. Click [here](#) for a video created from the book content.

The following titles were given to elementary and middle schools this year: "The Girl Who Thought in Pictures" by Julia Finley Mosca, "The Great American Dust Bowl" by Don Brown, "John Deere, That's Who!" by Tracy Nelson Maurer, "John Deere's Powerful Idea" by Terry Collins, "Planters & Cultivators" by Holly Dufek, and "A Seed is the Start" by Melissa Stewart.



Questions?

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Family Spotlight

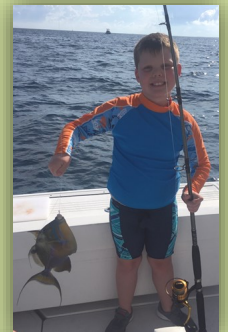
Mary Elizabeth has had a great eighth grade year. She is on the Principal's List going into exams (94% average) and she has had a great season in cross country and track. Mary Elizabeth attended the Kentucky Derby with Dave & MJ.



Sarah joined the Stingrays Competitive Cheerleading gym and her team made it to summit in Orlando where they finished 5th in the nation in their division. She is headed to a new school, Holy Innocents, for 5th grade.



Henry enjoyed fishing in the Bahamas. He is playing flag football and writing his own comic book series, *Adventures of Ninja Dog*.



Click [here](#) to watch his video, "Adventures of Ninja Dog vs. Plaser."



JT appears to be doing well at the University of Findlay in Ohio.