



CARSON COUNTY AG NEWS



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Crop Production Clinic

Sponsored by Texas AgriLife Extension, Pioneer, DuPont

Friday, January 10th at the Carson County Ag Barn

Registration at 8:30am; Program from 9:00am- 3:00pm

5 CEU's available:

Cody Daft - Area Agronomist DuPont Pioneer

"Product Positioning & Canola"

Diana "DeDe" Jones - Texas A&M ArgiLife Extension

"Commodity Market Outlook 2014"

Cory Mills – Research Scientist DuPont Pioneer

"Aquamax Irrigation Strategies"

Texas Department of Agriculture Rep

"Update on Current Laws and Regulations to Pesticide Usage"

Paul Wayland – Research Agronomist Wilbur-Ellis Company

"Corn & Sorghum Nutrient Uptake"

C.E. Williams – Panhandle Groundwater District

"Panhandle Groundwater District Update"

Landon Gheer – Product Agronomist DuPont Pioneer

"Field360 and Apps for Agriculture"

Rod Carpenter – Account Manager DuPont Pioneer

"Grain Sorghum Production"

Dr. Ed Bynum and Pat Porter - Texas A&M AgriLife Extension

"Spider Mite and Insect Control Strategies"

Jack Lyons and Case Medlin – DuPont Crop Protection

"Herbicide and Weed Resistance"

Lunch sponsored by DuPont

Partial Cost Recovery Fee will be covered by area Pioneer Seed Reps:

Jody Wood, Friemel Brothers, and Davis Brothers

Cotton Production Meeting

January 20th

A Cotton Production Meeting will take place in Groom, TX on January 20, 2014.

Registration starts at 9:30 a.m., the program will start at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided. There will be 2.5 CEU's offered with 1 in IPM and 1.5 in General. Please RSVP by noon on January 17 to ensure we have enough food.

9:30 a.m. Registration

**10:00 a.m. Cotton Markets, Crop Insurance, and Policy Outlook
John Robinson**

**10:45 a.m. Recognizing & Understanding Weed Resistance Issues
Dr. Peter Dotray**

11:30 a.m. Timing of Herbicide Application for Early Weed Pests

12:00 p.m. Lunch

**12:30 p.m. Cotton Production Practices & Variety Updates
Jason Woodward**

1:45 p.m. Adjourn

Lunch Sponsored by Carson County Gin

Partial Cost Recovery Fee covered by Town & Country Agri-Business, Vernon Labus

High Plains Irrigation Conference & Trade Show

January 16~ 8:30a.m. - 4:30p.m.

Amarillo Civic Center ~ Regency Room

**Cost: \$30, payable at door only -
includes lunch**

Gray County Ag Conference

Wednesday, February 26 ~ 9:00 a.m.

Topics will include:

- New Herbicides
- Selection & Mode of Action
- Alternate Tillage Methods
- Pre-Plant Herbicides
- Application
- Cotton Markets
- Corn & Sorghum Weed Issues

**Please RSVP by Feb. 24 to the Gray Co. Office
at 669-8033.**

Southwest Beef Symposium set for Jan. 9-10 in Clayton, NM

The Southwest Beef Symposium, jointly hosted by the Texas AgriLife Extension Service and New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service, is scheduled for Jan. 9-10 at the Clayton Civic Center, 124 N. Front St., Clayton N.M.

"This is the 10th year of the Southwest Beef Symposium," said Dr. Ted McCollum, AgriLife Extension beef cattle specialist in Amarillo. "We continue to address issues of concern to the industry at large, but also at the ranch level.

"This year we are focusing on aspects as the industry hopefully turns a corner and begins to stabilize the national cow inventory and as the weather hopefully turns a corner and allows ranchers to continue the recovery from the drought conditions of the past few years."

Individual registration is \$70, which includes a steak dinner on January 9, lunch on January 10, refreshments and symposium proceedings.

Registration forms are available at <http://aces.nmsu.edu/register/swbeef/>. Registration and payment can be completed online or via regular mail. If registering by mail, checks should be made payable to: NM State University and mailed to: Southwest Beef Symposium, Box 30003, MSC 3AE, Las Cruces, N.M. 88003.

Leann Saunders of Castle Rock, Colo., co-founder and president of Where Food Comes From Inc. and chair-elect of the U.S. Meat Export Federation, will open the symposium with a discussion on the Effects of Global Meat Exports on U.S. Beef Producers.

Additional afternoon sessions include: changes in agriculture lending policies, Larry Fluhman, president of Farmers & Stockmens Bank in Clayton; emerging beef sustainability issues, Tom McDonald of JBS Five Rivers Cattle Feeding in Dalhart, Texas and Ben Weinheimer with Texas Cattle Feeders Association in Amarillo, Texas; and a weather outlook by Brian Bledsoe, chief meteorologist for KKTU News in Colorado Springs, Colo. On January 10, Cooperative Extension Service and AgriLife Extension specialists and university faculty from Kansas State University and New Mexico State University will provide strategies and considerations on rebuilding regional beef herds specifically focused on the economics of re-stocking, defining current pasture lease rates and effectively selecting and managing the nutrition and health programs for stocker calves and cows.

The symposium will wrap up with a panel discussion by regional ranch managers on their individual perspectives of rebuilding regional cattle inventories. Shuttle service is available from all lodging locations to the Civic Center. Transportation also will be available from the Civic Center to the museum for the social hour.

For more information, go to the Southwest Beef Symposium website at <http://aces.nmsu.edu/ces/swbeef/> or contact McCollum at 806-677-5600 or ft-mccollum@tamu.edu.



**You're invited to come and support
the youth of Carson County!**

Carson County Junior Livestock Show

January 23-25

Junior Livestock Auction

January 25th at 6:00 p.m.

**Carson County Jr. Livestock
Association Drawing**

**3 prizes to be given away, each prize is
\$1,000 gift card**

Ticket Price - \$10.00 Donation

**Tickets can be purchased at the Extension Office
or from any 4-H or FFA exhibitor.**

Farm & Ranch Estate Planning

January 21, 2014

Carson County War Memorial, Panhandle TX

Lunch 11:30 a.m.

Workshop 12:00 -- 2:00 p.m.

Seven Farm and Ranch Estate Planning Workshops are scheduled during January in the Panhandle featuring Dr. Wayne Hayenga, professor emeritus and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service specialist from College Station.

These seminars will provide participants with information on tax and estate planning matters to assist in making difficult decisions, said DeDe Jones, AgriLife Extension risk management specialist in Amarillo. Hayenga is an agricultural economist and attorney who works with farmers, ranchers and family owned firms in financial, business and estate tax planning, Jones said. He will give a thorough analysis of relevant income and estate tax rules as they affect families and agricultural businesses.

Topics will include:

- The Will: What all is needed?: Selection of executor, paying debts and taxes, "Share and share alike?" and "Do I need a trust?"
- A living trust: Managing property to take "care of," not "give to" people. Avoiding guardianships and many other benefits.
- Passing on an active farm or ranch: Tips for keeping the business going.
- Power of attorney: What if they don't work? Health care power of attorney. Living wills.
- Taxes: Estate tax, generation-skipping tax, gift tax, income tax and Social Security tax.
- Property in different states – avoid probate.
- How Not to Let My Kid's "Ex" Mess With Me.

Partial cost recovery fee for Panhandle meeting will be sponsored by: Capitol Farm Credit

Lunch will be sponsored by: Happy State Bank Panhandle

Please RSVP to Jody by: January 17

The following is a list of other times, dates, and locations:

- 6-8 p.m., Jan. 20, O'Laughlin Center, 502 S. Brandt St., Spearman.
- 6-8 p.m., Jan. 21, AgriLife Extension office for Randall County, 200 Brown Road, Canyon.
- 1-3 p.m., Jan. 22, AgriLife Extension office for Deaf Smith County, 903 14th St., Hereford.
- 6-8 p.m., Jan. 22, Moore County Community Building, 1600 Maddox St., Dumas.
- 2:30-2:30 p.m., Jan. 23, Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center, 6500 W. Amarillo Blvd., Amarillo



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