

AG INFORMER

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AG AGENT NOTES

In this issue of the Ag Informer, you will find general information about a variety of county, regional and state workshops and conferences. For those who would like more information or registration forms you can either follow the instructions in the write up or contact our office. We would like to encourage you to go to our county website, extension.usu.edu/juab. You will find a wide variety of information that should be helpful to you. If we can be of assistance to you, feel free to contact our office.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey E Banks
USU Extension Agent



AG MAILING LIST

We are in the process of updating our mailing list for those who receive this Ag Newsletter. If you know someone who would like to be on our mailing list, have them give our office a call. Also, if any of you would like to be taken off this list, please let us know.

SMALL ACREAGE AND RANCHETTE

WORKSHOP Utah State University, Small Acreage Team and the San Pitch Watershed Stewardship Group will be sponsoring a Small Acreage and Ranchette Owner workshop. It will be held Saturday, **January 27**, from 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the Snow College Noyes Building, 100 N. 150 E. in Ephraim. The workshop will include a number of topics including farm safety, soil fertility, seed varieties, grazing management, horse feeding, fencing, landscape management, vegetable production, and water wise landscaping. You can register for the workshop (\$25 fee) by contacting our office or by calling the USU Extension office in Ephraim at 435-283-7582.

PESTICIDE TRAINING WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, **January 31st**, in cooperation with the Farm Bureau, we will be sponsoring a pesticide workshop for anyone interested. The meeting will be held at the Extension office located on the main floor, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.



Farm Bureau Safety specialist A J Ferguson, will be the presenter. The meeting will cover the following three areas: label is the law, pesticide record keeping systems, and pesticide safety. All producers that currently have a Utah Pesticide license will receive CEU credits for attending. We would encourage all of you to attend and learn more about pesticide management.

LIVESTOCK RECORDS WORKSHOP

On Wednesday, **March 14th**, USU Extension will be sponsoring a livestock records workshop. The meeting will be held at the Extension office starting at 6:30 p.m. Kim Chapman, USU Extension Animal Scientist will be our guest speaker. Kim will demonstrate several available livestock management record keeping systems. These systems will work for both small and large livestock producers. Make this date on your calendar and plan to attend this very informative workshop.

SOIL FERTILITY WORKSHOP

On Wednesday **February 28**, we will be sponsoring a soil fertility workshop for anyone interested. The meeting will be held at the Extension office starting at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Grant Cardon, the new USU Extension Soil specialist will be our guest speaker. He will cover several topics including soil testing, small grain and forage fertilizer requirements and soil fertility economics. Dr. Cardon is an excellent instructor and we would encourage all Ag producers to attend.

UTAH WEED CONFERENCE

On **February 21**, the Utah Weed Association will be holding their annual conference at the Davis Conference Center in Layton.



It will cover a wide range of topics including noxious weed control, crop weed control, invasive weed management efforts, and what's new in the industry. All producers that currently have a Utah Pesticide License will receive CEU credits for attending. The conference will run from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The registration fee is \$45 if post marked by February 9th.

AG OUTLOOK CONFERENCE

The 2007 Ag Outlook conference will be held on **February 8-9**. The conference will be held at the St. George Holiday Inn. The conference will start at 2:00 p.m. on the 8th and will end at 12:30 p.m. on the 9th. The conference will cover a wide variety of topics including Corn Crisis impact on Utah, Outlook for Wheat, Livestock outlook, Economic forecast and State economic issues. Cost for the conference is \$75.00. Registration information can be obtained at the Extension office or by going online at www.uba.org.

DIVERSIFIED AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE

Producers interested in more than traditional agriculture—including recreation, tourism, direct marketing, and further processing, are invited to attend the Diversified Agriculture Conference **February 21-23** at Thanksgiving Point in Lehi. The conference is devoted to helping producers look at what is possible and gain the needed management and marketing skills to do it. The registration fee of \$60 for an individual, or \$50 per person if there is more than one from an individual operation, includes breaks and 5 meals.

UTAH HORSE EXPO

South Jordan will be the site of this year's Utah Horse Expo from **March 10-11**. The expo will be held at the Salt Lake County Equestrian Park. Tickets are only available at the door. You can learn from two of the world's most famous horse trainers, Craig Camoron and Lynn Palm, plus you can attend clinics from veterinary medicine to equine nutrition and much more. For more information call 801-776-0420.



UTAH HAY AND FORAGE SYMPOSIUM

Utah Farm Bureau and USU Extension will again co-sponsor the Utah Hay Symposium set for **February 7-8**, 2007 at the St. George Holiday Inn Resort. The two-day seminar begins at 12:00 noon on February 7 and runs through noon the following day.



USU Extension specialists will team with other respected experts from throughout the Intermountain West to give valuable insights into current issues and challenges facing Utah's hay producers. Topics include variety, selection, harvest management, quality testing, targeting specific markets, forage options, pest control, fertility, irrigation management and more. Participants will choose which presentations are most valuable to them during the concurrent breakout sessions.

This year's trade show will again feature a comprehensive alfalfa pest exhibit. Several leading firms that serve the regional hay production industry will showcase their products and services. Registration information is available at www.utahhay.usu.edu. The registration fee is \$65.

SHEEP AND GOAT EDUCATION DAY

Saturday **February 24**, will be the date for the Utah Sheep and Goat Education workshop. It will be held at the Golden Spike Event Center in Ogden. The workshop will be from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The workshop will cost \$20.00. Topics that will be covered include improving herd economy, breeding schemes, value of composite breeds, wool marketing, facility design, use of guard dogs, meat goat nutrition and others. The conference is sponsored by the Utah Wool Growers and Utah State University Extension.



HARVESTING ENERGY SUMMIT

Farmers, ranchers and renewable energy enthusiasts are invited to Salt Lake City for the 2nd annual Intermountain Harvesting Energy summit **February 26-28**. The gathering will bring together people from 7 states to advance renewable energy projects in rural areas. The theme of this year's event is Rural Prosperity Through Renewable Energy. The conference will cover three main topics: Farm to Fuel, Public Policy to Advance Renewable Energy and Wind for Rural Development. More details on the event can be found at www.HarvestEnergy.org.

WATER USERS' WORKSHOP

St. George will be host site for the 2007 Utah Water Users' Workshop on **March 5-7**. The conference will cover a wide range of topics including water quality standards, water rights, legislative update, dam safety, water rights title conveyance, water and energy and water conservation. The deadline to register for the conference is February 23.



PESTICIDE LICENSE RECERTIFICATION



Commercial, non-commercial, and private applicators are required to renew their Utah license every three years. There are three options for renewing a pesticide license. The options are: (1) complete and pass the general pesticide exam and at least one category exam, (2) attend a re-certification workshop and pass at least one category, or (3) attend pesticide training programs recognized by UDAF and obtain credit for the required number of CEUs. If CEUs are used to renew a license during the year, all training forms and payment must be submitted UDAF before the end of the year. Anyone who would like a list of the UDAF CEU approved programs can go to their website at www.ag.utah.gov.

UTAH BEEF POCKET BOOKS

The Extension office has a limited supply of 2007 Utah Total Beef Program pocket calendar books. Cost for the book is \$4. These are very helpful in keeping cattle management records.

WEEDS OF UTAH CALENDAR

Noxious weeds, water losses caused by weeds, land values, and grazing are some of the topics addressed in the Weeds of Utah calendar. We have a limited supply of these free full-color calendars. They are available in the Extension office.



27th Annual Utah Beef Cattle Field Day

"PRODUCING CALVES THAT WORK FOR BOTH YOU AND THE INDUSTRY"

Tuesday, February 13, 2007, BYU Harmon Conference Center, SW corner of 900 E. & University Parkway (1650 North). Registration is \$25/person or \$30/couple.

Field Day Program

- 8:30 a.m. Registration and Refreshments
9:15 Welcome and Introduction
9:30 Will your calves work for both you and the industry?—Dr. Larry Corah, Certified Angus Beef
10:20 Weaning & Marketing Strategies —Dr. Dillon Feuz, USU Extension Beef Marketing Specialist
11:05 Break
11:25 Managing newborn calves during the calving season—Dr. Rusty Stott, USU Clinical Veterinarian
12:10 Lunch
1:05-3:05 Rotation Sessions (25-minute sessions with 5-minutes per rotation)
1. EPD's for Carcass Traits—Why they are important and How to Use Them—Dr. Corah
2. Vaccination Programs—Dr. Stott
3. Replacement Heifer management—Dr. Feuz
4. Trade Show
3:10 Ajdourn



2007 JUAB COUNTY HOME, YARD AND GARDEN CLASS SERIES

Pruning Fruit Trees

Date: Thursday, March 15, 5:00 p.m.

Place: White Residence, 320 North 600 East, Nephi

Instructor: Adrian Hinton, USU Extension Area
Horticulturist

This class will cover ideas on how to prune, train, and manage fruit trees. In case of inclement weather, the class will be re-scheduled. Call the Extension office, 623-3450, for a new date.



Home Yard Landscape Design

Date: Thursday, March 22, 10:00 a.m.

Place: USU Extension office, 160 North Main, Nephi

Instructors: Adrian Hinton, USU Extension Area
Horticulturist, and Utah County Master Gardeners

This class will cover basic ideas on how to design a landscape for a new home, and how to change the landscape on an existing home.



Home Garden Drip Irrigation

Date: Thursday, March 22, 7:00 p.m.

Place: USU Extension office, 160 North Main, Nephi

Instructor: Jeff Banks, USU Extension
Agent, Juab County

Participants will learn about a practical and user friendly drip irrigation system designed by Juab County gardeners.



Landscaping with Perennials and Annuals

Date: Thursday, April 12, 10:00 a.m.

Place: USU Extension Office, 160 North Main, Nephi

Instructors: Adrian Hinton, USU Extension Area
Horticulturist and Utah County Master Gardeners

This class will cover varieties, watering, fertilization, plant uses and planting.



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