# Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Grimes County Agriculture Newsletter

#### <u>Upcoming Programs</u> and Events

- Hoof Trimming at the Grimes County Fairgrounds,
   Sept. I 8th
- Heifer UIN
   Orders due for
   Spring Majors,
   Sept. I 8th
- Private Applicator Training,
   Sept.25th
- Livestock Validations for Spring
   Majors, Oct. 13th
   & 19th at the
   Fairgrounds
- 49th Annual
   South Central
   Texas Cow Calf
   Clinic, Oct.23rd

#### September/October

#### 2020

### **Howdy Grimes County,**

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families safe during these times. I was speaking with another Extension Agent the other day and to quote them, "To say this spring has been a whirlwind is likely the understatement of the century. Since March we have all been going a million different directions and I am hopeful things will begin to settle back into some sense of normalcy before too long..."

Even with the uncertainty of what the fall holds for us, the Texas A&M Extension Service is committed to getting back to "normal" programming as long as we meet all local county and CDC guidelines during programs. We hope you can join us at the Washington County Fairgrounds on October 23rd for the 49th South Central Texas Cow Calf Clinic and Youth Track. Included in this newsletter are the flyers for both the Clinic and Youth Track. The Grimes County Extension Office will also be conducting a Private Applicator Training on September 25th at the Extension Office for anyone who wants to get their private applicator license.

Lastly, fall armyworm season is upon us... Start scouting for them early in the mornings or late in the evenings. How many caterpillars does it take to justify an insecticide application? Typically, we say that when there are more than 3 FAWs per square foot, then it's time to do something about it. Please call us at the Extension Office for information on management options.



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# Agriculture Management Tips for 2020 Brought to you by the Bayer Animal Health and Range/Pasture Staff Edited by Allen Homann-Grimes County Extension Agent

#### **Agriculture Tips for September/October:**

- Begin to conduct soil tests' and start preparing for fall applications of phosphorus and potassium. Early applications will provide the best results and the most from your nutrient dollar.
- Monitor for BRD in your cattle herd by evaluating for possible causes of stress and
  determine which ones can be decreased or eliminated. Some ways to reduce stress
  include; avoid processing, weaning or shipping cattle in bad weather, ensure livestock have sufficient water and feed access, and provide livestock with plenty of dry,
  clean bedding to prevent damp conditions.
- Scout for new weed species on your way to your favorite hunting spot. Contact your Bayer Representative or County Extension Agent for treatment options.
- Send hay samples to the lab for complete nutrient analysis. Knowing/understanding what your hay provides will help determine your livestock feeding plan or needs for the upcoming winter months.
- Fall and winter are prime time for parasite infections. Cattle are exposed to internal parasites all summer while grazing. Cattle then carry the infections with them as they transition off pastures, which can negatively affect how well they feed. Contact your Bayer Representative or County Extension Agent on what parasites to scout for.
- Deworming cattle in fall as soon as they come off pastures help keep the herd clean during the winter and maximizes the benefits of winter hay and supplements. Contact your Bayer Representative or County Extension Agent for fall deworming plans.
- Plan your rotational grazing accordingly if you plan on deer hunting on opening weekend. To maximize a chance at the "big one" it is best to rotate your cattle off the pasture you plan on deer hunting.





# Private Applicator Training

Friday, September 25, 2020 Grimes County Extension Office, 9a.m.



<u>Contact</u> Information

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Grimes County Office 203 Veterans Memorial Dr. Navasota, TX 77868

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When: Friday, September 25, 2020

Where: Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

Grimes County Extension Office-Annex Building

203 Veterans Memorial Dr.

Navasota, TX 77868

Schedule:

8:30 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m. Applicator Training Begins

Noon Conclusion/Distribution of D-1411 Form

Study materials can be purchased prior to the training or the day of the training from the Grimes County Extension Office for \$60.00.

Please RSVP at (936)873-3907 to reserve your spot. Coffee & Donuts will be provided.

For more information about this training contact the Grimes County Extension Office at (936)873-3907 or email: allen.homann@ag.tamu.edu

Anyone wanting to become a licensed private applicator with the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) may attend this training. A valid private applicators license is required by TDA for a person who uses or supervises the use of restricted use and/or state limited use pesticides to produce agricultural commodities.

**Agricultural commodity** is defined as any plant and any animal or animal product produced for sale, feed, food or other use by humans or animals.

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#### **OPTIONS & PRICES**

1 lb. Pecan Halves - \$10.50

5 lb. Pecan Halves - \$48.00

1 lb. Pecan Pieces - \$10.25

5 lb. Pecan Pieces - \$47.00

Gift Round Praline Pecans - \$15.00

Frosted Pecan Assortment - \$15.00

Milk Chocolate Pecan Assortment - \$15.00

1 lb. Chocolate Pecans - \$10.00

1 lb. Cinnamon Pecans - \$11.00

1 lb. Roasted Cashews - \$10.00

1 lb. Shelled Walnuts - \$9.00

1 lb. Pistachios - \$9.00

3 lb. Shelled Raw Spanish Peanuts - \$10.00

1 lb. Chocolate Peanuts - \$7.00

1 lb. Trail Mix - \$7.00

1 lb. Roasted Salted, Cajun, or Honey Toasted Peanuts - \$6.00

Please support Grimes County 4-H Program!!!
Orders may also be placed at the Grimes County Extension Office
203 Veterans Memorial Dr. Navasota, TX 77868

936.873.3907.

All orders must be placed by October 7, 2020.



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# 49TH ANNUAL SOUTH CENTRAL TEXAS COW-CALF CLINIC YOUTH TRACK

# OCTOBER 23<sup>RD</sup> - BRENHAM, TX

Program Sponsored by County Extension Agents and Beef Committees from Austin, Brazos, Burleson, Colorado, Fayette, Grimes, Lee, Waller & Washington Counties

Friday, October 23, 2020

Washington County Fairgrounds 1305 E Blue Bell Road Brenham, Texas 77833

Registration 8:00-8:30am Program: 8:30-1:30pm Dismiss to Load Busses: 1:30pm

## **Program Sessions**

Chute Side Demonstration
Live Carcass Evaluation
Livestock Judging
Ultrasound Evaluation
Contests for Prizes!

# Register at <a href="http://washington.agrilife.org/cccyouth">http://washington.agrilife.org/cccyouth</a>

Limited to the first 60 High School Students/Senior 4-H Members. Registration closes October 12<sup>th</sup>.

For registration information contact the Washington County Extension Office at 979-277-6212. For program information contact the Grimes County Extension Office at 936-873-3907.

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Sponsored by Extension Beef Committees from Austin, Brazos, Burleson, Colorado, Fayette, Grimes, Lee, Waller & Washington Counties.

# 2020 SCTCCC Scholarship Drawing

All proceeds benefit scholarships for youth in all sponsoring counties and the Cow-Calf Clinic Youth Program.

# **PRIZES**

Kawasaki Mule SX 4x4
Partnership with Kawasaki of Caldwell

Pen of 3 Bred Heifers

24 Round Bales of Coastal Hay Donated by Triple H Farms

Fancy Commercial Halter Heifer Suitable for several area fair programs

Quiet Cool 36" Portable Evaporative Cooler Donated by Bluebonnet Electric Cooperative

> Custom Processed Side of Beef Processing donated by K&C Meat Processing

\$500.00 Visa Gift Card
Donated by Washington County Beef and Forage Committee

Custom Processed Side of Beef Processing donated by K&C Meat Processing

Priefert HG64 Headgate

Donated by CRC Farm and Ranch Supply

1 Ton of Cattle Feed Donated by Schulte Farm Services Only 500 Tickets

Need Not Be Present To Win

Buy your tickets online!



Terms and Conditions Apply. Please visit https://washington.agrilife.org/SCTCCCDrawing

Drawing at the 49th Annual South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic October 23, 2020 in Brenham, TX!

Contact your local County Extension Office for more information!

GRIMES CO. 936.873-3907

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# ENTER TO WIN A FREE HEIFER!

Sponsored by: Washington County Beef Committee and Texas Farm Credit

# Seating limited to the first 200 paid registrations!

Virtual Option
Details coming soon!

Friday, October 23, 2020 Registration: 7:30am Program: 8:00 - 4:00pm Early Registration Fee: \$20 Late Registration (10/16): \$30

Washington County Fairgrounds
Sales Facility
1305 E Blue Bell Road

Catered BBQ Lunch Beer Battered Beef Tips & Social

#### Managing the Cow-Calf Operation Through Uncharted Waters

- Market Update Where have we been and where are we going?
- Funding Sources Where and How to Get Financial Assistance
- How do I know when I am about to have a wreck, nutritionally speaking?
- Forages, Grazing Management, and Avoiding Crisis
- Minerals What works, where and why?
- Live Demonstrations, Contests, and More!

Following the final session we will draw for the GRAND PRIZE HEIFER!!

Must be present ALL day · Must be registered · Must be present to win

Register at <a href="http://washington.agrilife.org/ccc">http://washington.agrilife.org/ccc</a> or call 979-277-6212

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# <u>Schedule</u>

- ♦ West Texas Fair & Rodeo, Sept.4th-19th
- State Fair of Texas, Sept.23rd-Oct.2nd
- ♦ Heart of Texas Fair, Sept.30th-Oct.18th
- ♦ Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo, Oct.23rd-25th

GOOD LUCK TO ALL YOUTH LIVESTOCK EXHIBITORS!

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#### Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service / Grimes County

Fall Stock Shows are going to look a little different...

As we continue to navigate through the new "normal" we continue to discover new ways of getting things done. The same will be said for stock shows this fall... State Fair will have a drive-through concession stand, HOTFR and SFT have partnered together for The United Heifer Show and so forth. If I can relay one message to everyone it would be... let's make the most of the fall shows, follow what rules/guidelines are in place, support these shows and the volunteers involved, and be thankful our 4-H and FFA Youth Exhibitors are able to show their projects this fall. Lastly, let us tip our hats to the youth exhibitors for the work they have done to show this fall. Good Luck and Have Fun!

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in Grimes County...

Our goal in Grimes County is to provide producers with the most up-to-date information to improve the efficiency and profitability of their operations. Educational programs and events are provided throughout the year to help producers with best management practices on issues relating to... livestock herd health, forage production, stocking rates, drought and flood management, pasture and range management strategies, etc. Private applicator trainings are offered throughout the year. CEU recertification programs are available for producers with private applicator licenses with the latest information to help effectively manage pasture and rangelands. Youth agriculture education is also a major focus, teaching youth best management practices in agricultural production is critical to the industry. Please call (936) 873-3907 for more information!



"Agriculture is the most healthful, most useful and most noble employment of man." - George Washington

