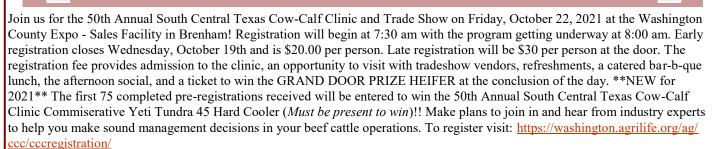


Austin County Ag Newsletter

October 2021

50th Annual South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic



A great list of program topics and excellent speakers have been prepared based on the recommendations of Beef and Forage Committees from Austin, Brazos, Burleson, Colorado, Fayette, Grimes, Harris, Lee, Waller, and Washington Counties. This year's clinic will focus on Ranching for Tomorrow with conversations covering Estate Planning, Beef and Cattle Markets Overview and Outlook, A 50 Year Reflection of the Beef and Cattle Industry, Laws and Regulations, and Innovation in Pregnancy Determination Strategies for Ranchers. The day is packed full of great presentation, live cattle demonstrations, and includes several contests for participants to test their knowledge and skills with awards sponsored by Capital Farm Credit. Throughout the day, there will be time to visit with tradeshow vendors, view cattle in the contests, and network with producers, speakers, and others.

For the eighth year, the Washington County Beef and Forage Committee has partnered with Texas Farm Credit and purchased a bred commercial heifer at the Washington County Fair to be given away as the GRAND DOOR PRIZE at the end of the day. Participants must be registered for the entire day and must be present to win! Be sure to get your ticket for this great door prize.

The tradeshow at the South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic continues to be a highlight of the event and features some great representatives from the cattle and ranching industry. You will not want to miss the opportunity to visit their booths, learn about the products and services they offer, and have an opportunity to win some of the great door prizes they will be giving away!

After the meeting is adjourned, tradeshow vendors, participants, and speakers are invited to stick around for the social hour sponsored by Mike Hopkins Distributing and enjoy some Beer-Battered-Beef-Tips! During the social we will be drawing for the FIFTEEN great prizes in the 3rd Annual South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic Scholarship Drawing. This is a drawing you will not want to miss out on! This year the committee has put together a great list of items including – a Kawasaki Mule SX 4x4, Pen of Three Bred Heifers, Pen of 2 Gert-Hereford Bred Heifers, 2 Custom Processed Sides of Beef, Single Bale Buggy (Electric), Quiet Cool 36" Portable Evaporative Cooler, 24 Round Bales of Coastal Hay, 2—\$500.00 Visa Gift Cards, STIHL KombiSystem 3-Piece Set, Ton Pro-Grain Beef Pro Feed, Ton of Cattle Feed, STIHL MS 170 Chainsaw and Case, and an American Ag Mineral Feeder. Each and every prize on this list is valued at more than double the ticket price! Only 500 tickets will be sold so don't delay, get your ticket today! For more information or to purchase a ticket please visit: https://washington.agrilife.org/ag/sctcccdrawing/ or visit the Austin County Extension Office.

Mark Your Calendars for Upcoming Events

- October 4th-8th: Austin County Office accepting Early Wine Show Entries at our office 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
- October 8th: Fall Forage Program & Hay Show Austin County Fairgrounds, Bellville, 8:30 am— 2 CEU's
- October 8th-17th: Austin County Fair Extension Office will be closed due to Agents & Staff working at the Fair
- October 15th: New Landowners Wildlife Management Fayette County Fairgrounds, La Grange, 1:30 pm— 1 CEU
- October 17th: Austin County Wine Show Austin County Fairgrounds, Bellville, 1:00 pm judging followed by public tasting
- October 22nd: 50th Annual South Central Texas Cow Calf Clinic Washington County Fairgrounds— 1 CEU
- October 29th: Feathers, Furs, and Farming Deer American Legion Post, Sealy, 1:00 pm 2 CEU's
- November 1st-30th: Austin & Colorado County Soil Campaign
- November 9th: Lone Star Healthy Streams Workshop Bleiblerville VFD, Bleiblerville 12:30 pm 3 CEU's
- November 22nd: Deadline to Submit Pecan Show Entries to the Austin County Extension Office at 9:00 am
- November 30th: Private Applicator Training Austin County Extension Office, Bellville, 1:00 pm

LIVESTOCK BRAND REGISTERATIONS EXPIRED 8/31/2021, RENEWAL UNTIL 2/28/2022

Brand registration in Texas is required every 10 years. Brands (the actual brand and location), ear marks, and tattoos (if any are used for ownership) must be registered at the county clerk's office of each county in which a producer owns and runs livestock. Texas does not have a statewide brand registry database as do many western states, those are maintained by the county clerks in each county. Every 10 years, the state requires that brands be reregistered in the county or counties in which a livestock or beef cattle producer operates. All marks, brands, and tattoos that



are currently registered with the county clerk indicate ownership (not individual identification) will expire after August 30, 2021. The renewal period runs from August 31, 2021 until February 28, 2022. Once registered (or reregistered) the brand, mar or tattoo will be good until August 30, 2031. Even if a brand or mark was recently registered, it must be registered again.

Any previously recorded marks, brands, or tattoos which have not been reregistered by February 28, 2022 will be considered unclaimed and eligible for registration by a new owner. Some counties have online registration, most require the owner to send in the renewal form. In Texas, the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association works with the Texas county clerks to provide a brand registration site and they have excellent website to answer questions about brand registration, design, and use http://www.tscrabrands.com/.

Brands are very useful to determine proof of ownership in case of theft or in case of a natural disaster where livestock might be lost or commingled. It is against the law to use a brand or earmark that is not registered. Selection of a brand site needs to include consideration of size of the brand and potential damage to the hide. Lower hips and shoulders are better sites that high on the hip and shoulder, never brand over the back or tibs. Both fire and freeze brands are acceptable, freeze brands should be used on red or black coat colored cattle.

AUSTIN COUNTY FAIR NON-COMMERCIAL WINE SHOW

Sunday, October 17, 2021 – 1:00pm (Judging)

Public Tasting & Winemakers Meet and Greet: Starts at the End of Judging until 6:00pm Austin County Fairgrounds (American Legion Hall), 1076 East Hill St., Bellville, TX 77418 (American Legion Hall located at the FM 529 Fair entrance gate)

The Wine Show is coordinated by the Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association

Texas' only County Fair sanctioned non-commercial wine competition returns with the Austin County Fair on Sunday, October 17, 2021. Coordinated by the Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association, the annual Austin County Fair Wine Show will be held in the American Legion Hall located on the fairgrounds near the Hwy 529 entrance gate. Closed Judging begins at 1:00pm and following the judging, the public is invited to the awards presentation and tastings of the submitted wines with the winemakers. Fair admission is free that day.

The Wine Show will accept entries from non-commercial wine makers from Austin and other Texas counties. Wines can be submitted in 10 classifications including Dry and Sweet Reds and Whites, Fruit/Berry, Dessert/Port/Sherry, Native Grape, Blush/Rose and Dry and Sweet Kit wines.

In blind tastings (other than a wines classification, a wines information is not disclosed to judges), entries will be judged by a panel of wine educators, industry professionals and other non-partial individuals. Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to each class's winners and Grand Champion, Reserve Champion and Austin County Grand Champion belt buckles will be awarded.

Entry fees, with proceeds benefiting the Austin County Fair Scholarship program, are \$10 per wine. Entry Forms, Wine Show Rules with other entry information and deadlines are available from the Austin County office of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, 800 East Wendt St., Bellville, TX 77418 (Stacie Villarreal, stacie.villarreal@tamu.edu, 979 -865-2072). Early Wine Show entries will be accepted from October 4 – 8 between 8:30 am-Noon and 1:00-4:00pm at the following locations: The Austin County- Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Office and Darst Ranch Vine-yards, 981 Travis Rd, Bellville (Kenney), TX 77418 (Paul Darst, pauldarst@darstranchvineyards.com, 832-250-3568). Day of Show entries (and entry forms/rules) will be accepted at the American Legion Hall on the Austin County Fairgrounds on Sunday, October 17 from 10:00am – 12:30pm.

Wine Show rules & entry form are available on the Austin County Fair's website https://austincountyfair.com/wine-show. Rules are on page 6

REGISTRATION FOR TEXAS MASTER NATURALIST TRAINING IS NOW OPEN



The Gideon Lincecum Chapter of the Texas Master Naturalists is pleased to offer it's TMN training class for 2022. Our training classes begin January 22nd, with sessions being generally held on Saturdays. Class size will be limited to 20 so apply now! Please note that payment of fees secures your place in the class. Please visit our Training website at https://txmn.org/glc/becoming-a-master-naturalist/glc-masternaturalist-training-application/.

The mission of the Texas Master Naturalist Program is to develop a corps of wellinformed volunteers to provide education, outreach, and service dedicated to the beneficial management of natural resources and natural areas within their

communities for the State of Texas. Our Chapter includes Lee, Washington, Austin, Fayette, and Colorado Counties.

To learn more about the Texas Master Naturalist program and the Gideon Lincecum Chapter, please visit our website at https://txmn.org/glc/. If you have additional questions, please email Ken English at glctmnmkt@gmail.com.

REGISTRATION FOR MASTER GARDENER TRAINING IS NOW OPEN



We are now taking applications for the 2022 Bluebonnet Master Gardner Intern Class, which will be held in Bellville. For anyone interested in participating in the Master Gardener training program, the deadline for signing up is Thursday,

January 13th. There is a fee of \$175 per participant, which will cover the cost of materials, and defray speaker expenses. An application must be completed and turned in with the money in order to be considered registered. Class size is limited. The classes will be held on Thursday mornings beginning on January 13, 2022 and continuing through April 21, 2022. There will be 2 classes which will be held on Wednesdays- February 16th, and April 6th.

The Master Gardener program is a unique opportunity for individuals who are interested in horticulture and serving their community. Master Gardeners are trained in all facets of horticulture such as plant & soil science, entomology, plant pathology, landscape design, vegetable gardening and much more. Upon completion of their training, Master Gardeners will be required to give at least 50 hours of volunteer service time in their local community in order to receive the title of "Master Gardener". Those individuals that successfully receive the title of Master Gardener will have their state and local member dues paid for the first year of membership.

An open house will be held at the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Office in Bellville on Thursday, January 6, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. For more information on the Master Gardener program, contact the Extension office at (979) 865-2072 or visit the Bluebonnet Master Gardener Website at https:// txmg.org/bluebonnet/.



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Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association 2022 Training Class

Training Classes every Thursday January 13th - April 21st*

2 classes will be held on Wednesday (Feb. 16 & Apr. 6) Graduation on Tuesday, April 26th during the BMGA meeting

8:30am -12:30pm

Austin County Extension Office 800 E Wendt St., Bellville

\$175 per person: includes over 50 hours of gardening education!

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For more information on the Master Gardeners program, contact the Extension office at 979-865-8072 or visit the Bluebonnet Master Gardener Website at https://txmg.org/bluebonnet/apply

Course Outline

- · Welcome, Master Gardeners
- Soil Characteristics
- Soil Improvement
- Plant Development
- · Plant Propagation
- Water
- Irrigation
- Earth-Kind Landscaping
- **Freeze Preparation**
- Plant Pathology
- Insects
- Management
- Viticulture
- Ornamentals Plants
- · Vegetables & Herbs
- Berries
- Pecans
- · Landscape Design
- Field Trip











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2021 Austin County Fall Forage Seminar & Hay Show

Sponsored by: The Austin County Beef & Forage Committee

Austin County Fairgrounds

Friday, October 8, 2021

Registration: 8:30am - 9:00am

Program: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Cost: \$20 per person (lunch included)

Topics/Speaker's

- Recalibration of Spray Equipment- Mark Matocha, PhD
- Pasture Management for Soil Health- Megan Clayton, PhD
- How to Judge your Hay Samples & Read your Results-Bobby Lane, PhD

2 CEU's provided to those with a pesticide applicator license (2 General)

Hay Show sample results available at the Fall Forage Seminar

Please RSVP by October 1st

For more information please visit the Austin County Extension Office website: <u>austin.agrilife.org</u> or contact the office, 979-865-2072

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Wildlife Management & Native Grass Restoration

2021 Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series

October 15, 2021

Fayette County Fairgrounds
Event Center

400 West Fair Grounds Road La Grange, Texas 78945

Registration 1:00-1:30 pm Program 1:30-5:00 pm \$20 / person

To register online visit: https://washington.agrilife.org/nlo

Topics to be covered:

Wildlife Management Native Grass Restoration

1 CEU (1 Gen)

For More Information Please Contact:

Stacie Villarreal

Austin County (979) 865-2072 Austin.AgriLife.org

Laramie Kettler

Colorado County (979) 732-2082 Colorado. AgriLife.org

Scott Willey

Fayette County (979) 968-5831 Fayette.AgriLife.org

Kara Matheney

Washington County (979) 277-6212 Washington.AgriLife.org













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2021 Austin County Fair Non-Commercial Wine Show

Sunday, Oct. 17, 2021 – 1:00pm (Judging)

Public Tasting and Winemakers Meet and Greet: End of Judging until 6:00pm

Austin County Fair Grounds (American Legion Hall), 1076 East Hill St., Bellville, TX 77418

American Legion Hall located near the FM 529 Fair entrance gate

The Wine Show is coordinated by the Gulf Coast Winegrowers Association

SECTION I - GENERAL WINE SHOW RULES

- A person may enter one or multiple entries in any of the wine Classifications. Within a class, a person may enter as many times as
 desired with different batches/varieties. Wine batches/varieties that are eligible to enter can be made in 2021 or earlier years but
 MAY NOT be repeat entries. Only non-commercial or amateur wine makers may submit entries to the Show. Judges and commercial
 wine producers are excluded/not eligible for entry.
- An Entry Fee of \$10.00 is required PER ENTRY. The number of entries is unlimited. Entry Forms are available at the Wine Show for
 entries submitted on the day of the Wine Show from 10:00am until Noon. Checks are to be made out to ACFA. Credit Cards will only
 be accepted through the Austin County Fair office (Kim Quinney, 979-865-5995).
- 3. Each wine entered MUST be submitted in a minimum of two 750ML bottles (or approximate U.S. equivalent measure 1 quart).
- 4. Each bottle must be labeled with the participants name, grape variety or fruit, vintage/year and the Classification to be entered.
- 5. ENTRY SUBMITTAL LOCATIONS AND DEADLINES:
 - EARLY ENTRIES will be accepted from Oct. 4 8 between 8:30 am-Noon and 1:00 4:00pm at the following locations:
- Texas A&M AgriLife Extension, 800 East Wendt St Bellville, TX 77418 (Stacie Villareal, 979-865-2072, stacie.villarreal@tamu.edu)
- Darst Ranch Vineyards, 981 Travis Rd, Bellville, TX 77418 (Paul Darst, 832-250-3568, pauldarst@darstranchvineyards.com)
 <u>DAY OF SHOW ENTRIES</u> will be received on the day of the Show (Sunday, Oct. 17) at the American Legion Hall on the Fair Grounds between 10:00am and 12:30pm. The American Legion Hall is located near the HWY 529 Fair Entrance Gate.
 NOTE: Fair admission tickets are not required on the day of the Wine Show (Oct. 17).
- 6. If an entry has been mis-classified, the judges have the prerogative to place it in the proper classification.
- Judging begins promptly at 1:00pm. Once judging begins, no one is allowed in the judging area except personnel authorized by Wine Show Officials.
- Competent and non-partial judges will be provided. Judges will be divided into two panels, Red and White.
- 9. This is a blind tasting
- 10. Each Classification will have winners in each category unless there is only one entry in a classification. In the case of a single entry in a classification, the entry will be judged and must receive a minimum number of points to qualify for an award. As a guideline:

Range of points for GOLD - 22 - 25

Range of points for SILVER - 18 - 21

Range of Points for BRONZE - 13 -17

- First, second and third places in each class will be awarded medals (Gold, Silver and Bronze) accordingly. If there is a tie, both get
 the medal.
- 12. CHAMPION and RESERVE CHAMPION BELT BUCKLES: The top 4 highest gold medal scored wines from both Judges panels will be tasted by all judges to determine the overall GRAND CHAMPION and RESERVE CHAMPION belt buckle winners (all score qualified wines are eligible) and the top 2 highest scores of Austin County made wines from both Judges panels (excluding Kit Wine entries) are tasted by all judges to award the GRAND CHAMPION Austin County Fair belt buckle.
- After judging is completed, both entrants and the public will be invited for the awards ceremony and a tasting of submitted wines.
 Entrants may choose to stand by their entries and serve their wine to the public for limited tasting.
- 14. All entries should be picked up by the entrant or their designee at the conclusion of the tasting. Failure to pick up the entry will result in the sample becoming the property of the Gulf Coast Winegrowers Committee and the Austin County Fair Board.

SECTION II - WINE CLASSIFICATIONS

- 1. Red Wine Dry
- Red Wine Sweet
- White Wine Dry
- 4. White Wine Sweet
- Fruit / Berry

- 6 Dessert / Port / Sherry Style
- 7 Kit Wine / Non-Texas Grapes Dry
- 8 Kit Wine Non-Texas Grapes Sweet 9 – Native/Mustang/Muscadine Grape
- 10 Blush



OCTOBER 22nd - BRENHAM, TX

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

ENTER TO WIN A FREE HEIFER!

Sponsored by: Washington County Beef Committee and Texas Farm Credit

NEW for 2021 The first 75 completed preregistrations received will be entered to win the 50th Annual South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic Commiserative Yeti Tundra 45 Hard Cooler (Must be present to win)!!

Friday, October 22, 2021

Registration: 7:30am Program: 8:00 - 4:00pm

Early Registration Through 10/19 \$20/person

On-site Registration \$30/person

Washington County Expo Sales Facility 1305 E Blue Bell Road

Catered BBQ Lunch Beer Battered Beef Tips & Social SCTCCC Scholarship Drawing

Ranching for Tomorrow

- Passing the Ranch Estate Planning Lessons from the S Lazy H
- ◆ Cattle and Beef Markets Overview and Outlook Look Beyond the Steak
- ◆ The Past, Present, and Future 50 Years of the Beef and Cattle Industry
- ◆ Laws and Regulations for Tomorrow's Ranchers
- ◆ Pregnancy Determination Strategies Technology through the Years
- ◆ Live Demonstrations, Contests, Drawings, Door Prizes, and More!

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

Must be a paid participant · Must be present to win









This Month:
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Deer

FEATHERS, FURS, AND FARMING

A series of educational events designed to help all landowners diversify their operations and save more money and time by becoming better stewards of the land.

October 29, 2021

1:00-5:00 PM

\$20/Person

American Legion

1630 Meyer St. Sealy, TX 77434

Laramie Kettler

979-732-2082 Colorado County

Stacie Villarreal

979-865-2072 Austin County

Mark Lange

979-732-3458 Austin/Colorado County

Jon McLeod

832-595-8999 Austin/Ft. Bend County

2 CEUs - General

Habitat Management

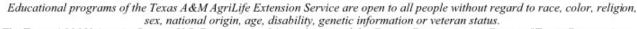
Harvest Strategies

Realistic Expectations on Small Acreage

Chronic Wasting Disease

Jaw Aging Quiz





The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating



This campaign is open to all Livestock, Forage, and Row Crop Producers.

Soil bags, campaign forms, and directions can be picked up at the Austin or

Colorado County Extension Office and select feed stores in each county.

All bags, forms, and payment must be received by November 30th

Please make checks payable to:

Austin County:

Austin County Beef & Forage Committee Colorado County:

Texas AgriLife Extension

Prices:

Routine Analysis: \$8

Routine + Micro-nutrients: \$15

Please contact your County Extension office for details on picking up and dropping off forms and samples.

Austin County Office- 979-865-2072 800 E Wendt St., Bellville



Austin County Locations:

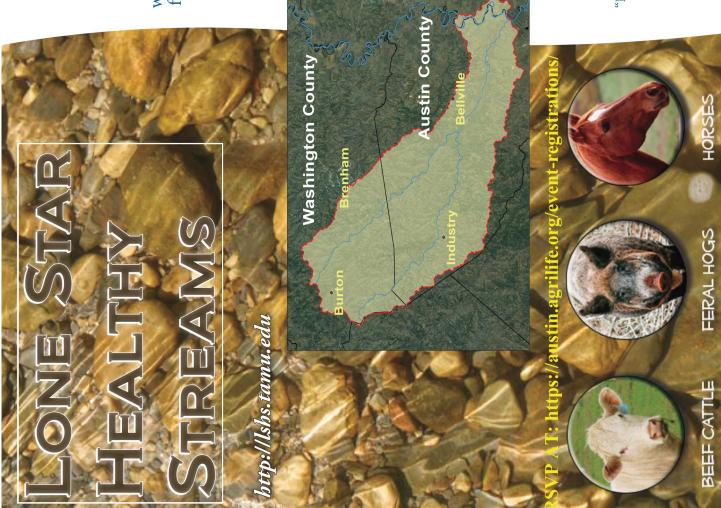
- Extension office
- Harrison's Farm Service
- · Linseisen's Feed & Supply Inc
- Steinhauser's
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- · Lindemann's Store

Other Locations in Colorado County

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The goal of the Lone Star Healthy Streams (LSHS) program is the protection of Texas waterways from bacterial contamination originating from livestock operations and feral hogs that may pose a serious health risk to Texas citizens.

November 9th, 2021

12:30pm Registration

1:00pm-5:00pm

Bleiblerville VFD 3912 FM 2505 RD Bellville, TX 77418

** 3 General CEUs available **

This free workshop will focus on the Mill Creek Watershed, basic watershed function, water quality, and specific best management practices that can be implemented to help minimize bacterial contamination originating from beef cattle, horses, and feral hogs.

*Funding for this project is provided through a Clean Water Act Section 319 Nonpoint Source Grant from the Texas State Soil and Water Conservation Board and the U.S Environmental Protection Agency."

Soil & Water



AGRILIFE EXTENSION

Austin County Pecan Show

Sponsored by: The Horticulture Committee of Austin County

Entry Deadline: Monday, November 22, 2021, 9am

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of Austin County 800 E Wendt St., Bellville, TX

Guidelines:

- Entries must be delivered to the Extension Office during normal business hours (8am-12pm & 1pm-5pm) beginning Monday, November 15th to Friday, November, 19th
- All entries must be submitted by 9am on Monday, November 22nd.
 No Late Entries Accepted!
- Each entry should have 50 uncracked pecans of the same variety
- Each entry MUST be in a brown paper bag labeled with entrant's name and entry form
 - Entry forms can be picked up at the Extension office or printed off the website (<u>austin.agrilife.org</u>)
- Entries are limited to one entry of each named variety per person
- Pecans must be from 2021 Crop
- No entry fee

All entries become property of the Austin County Horticulture Committee

Results will be available at the Pecan Program on 12/2/21

For more information please visit the Austin County Extension Office website: austin.agrilife.org or contact the office, 979-865-2072

Private Applicator Licenses Trainings for 2021



Prices:

Training-\$10

Books-\$40

(2 manuals)

Checks payable to: Extension Program Council (EPC)

Nonrefundable

Please RSVP to reserve your spot, space is limited

Phone: 979-865-2072 http://austin.agrilife.org Friday, April 30, 2021
Friday, July 30, 2021
Tuesday, November 30, 2021
Training is from 1pm to 5pm
Check in/Registration starts 15 mins prior
Date & Time are subject to change

Trainings will be conducted at
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service of
Austin County located at 800 E Wendt St.,
Bellville, TX 77418

The purpose of this training is to obtain a Private Applicator License from Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). This license will enable the applicator to purchase and apply state limited use and federally restricted chemicals on his land or land he has control of for the purpose of production of agricultural commodities. All farm and ranch operators who do not have a Private Applicator's License to purchase "restricted use" pesticides (such as 2, 4-D, Grazon P+D, Tordon 22K, etc.) will need to attend this training.

If you are interested in obtaining a Private Applicator License Training, please contact the Austin County Extension office at (979) 865-2072 to RSVP and to purchase the manuals. You can also RSVP on https://austin.agrilife.org/event-registrations/

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Pecan Program & Pecan Show Awards

Sponsored by: The Horticulture Committee of Austin County

Thursday, December 2, 2021

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service, Austin County 800 E Wendt St., Bellville, TX

Registration: 5:30pm
Program: 6pm-8pm
Awards: Following Program

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

Topics/Speakers:

- How Pecans Are Judged & Placed
 - Dr. Philip Shackelford, AgriLife Extension
 Regional Program Leader, Southeast Region
- What to Look For When Selecting Pecans For Judging
 - Robert Luedeker, Austin County Horticulture Committee Member
- Selecting Graft Wood
 - o Mary Rinn, Special Guest Speaker
- The Pecan Calendar
 - Stacie Villarreal, Austin County Extension Agent, Agriculture

Please RSVP by: November 30th

For more information please visit the Austin County Extension
Office website: <u>austin.agrilife.org</u> or
contact the office: 979-865-2072

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Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating.

Workshop provided through Clean Water Act 5319 nonpoint source grant funding from the 158WCB and U.S. Eta.



The Texas Watershed Steward program is a free, educational workshop designed to help watershed residents improve and protect their water resources by getting involved in local watershed protection and management activities.

December 8, 2021 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Kenney Agricultural Society Hall 444 Hall Rd Bellville, TX 77418

In-Person & Virtual Attendance Options Available
Preregistration Required

The workshop will provide an overview of water quality and watershed management in Texas, including a discussion on the Mill Creek watershed. Efforts by the Mill Creek Watershed Partnership, and best management practices local stakeholders may use to help improve and protect their water quality, will be highlighted. Free continuing education credits/ CEUs offered for a wide variety of professional disciplines. For a complete list of continuing education offered, or to register, visit our website or call the number below.

Pre-register for the workshop by going to: https://tws.tamu.edu/workshops/registration

or Austin County Extension office at: 979.865.2072



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CONSERVATION BOARD



The **South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic Scholarship** Committee is pleased to present the 3rd Annual SCTCCC Scholarship Drawing benefiting graduating seniors in the nine county area.

This year's drawing boasts over \$30,000 worth of prizes spread out over 15 opportunities to win.

Only 500 tickets will be sold for the drawing which will take place live at the 50th Annual South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic on Friday, October 22, 2021 at the Washington County Expo in Brenham. In the inaugural year, the proceeds from the drawing supported ten young people as they each continued their education at colleges across Texas.

To purchase your ticket:

- 1. Visit a local County Extension Office in **Austin**, Brazos, Burleson, Colorado, Fayette, Grimes, Lee, Waller, or Washington county.
- 2. Contact any member of a participating county's Beef and Forage Committee.
- 3. Visit the 2021 SCTCCC Scholarship Drawing website and purchase your ticket online today!



Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stacie M. Villarreal

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

County Extension Agent- Agriculture & Natural Resources - Austin County

1 East Main, Bellville, TX 77418 (Mailing Address)

800 E Wendt St, Bellville, TX 77418 (Physical Address)

Phone: 979-865-2072

stacie.villarreal@ag.tamu.edu

Austin.agrilife.org

Educational programs of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service are open to all people without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, or veteran status. The Texas A&M University System, U.S. Department of Agriculture, and the County Commissioners Courts of Texas Cooperating. Individuals with disabilities who require an auxiliary aid, service or accommodation in order to participate in this meeting are encouraged to contact the County Extension Office at (979) 865-2072 ten (10) days prior to the meeting to determine how reasonable accommodations can be made.