**Calf Price Trends**

Trend of Highest Prices Reported for Various Weight Calves, Average of 3 East Texas Livestock Auctions

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AGENDA

December 10, 2014

8:00 - 9:00 am
Registration and Tradeshow

9:00 - 9:10 am
Welcome

9:10 - 10:00 am
How to Reduce Stress on Cattle During Handling

10:00 - 10:50 am
Making Sense Out of the Cattle Markets

10:50 - 11:10 am
Break and visit Tradeshow

11:10 - 11:55 am
Breakout Session 1 - Choose 1
  - Heifer Selection and Development: Which Ones Will Be the Most Profitable? Jason Banta
  - Managing Winter Annual Pastures for Stocker Cattle Paul Beck
  - Weed Mgmt. in Southern Pastures Ron Strahan

11:55 - 1:00 pm
Lunch and Tradeshow

1:00 - 1:45 pm
Breakout Session 2 - Choose 1
  - Heifer Selection and Development: Which Ones Will Be the Most Profitable? Jason Banta
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1:45 - 2:00 pm
Break and visit Tradeshow

2:00 - 2:50 pm
Heifer Selection Demonstration Jason Banta

2:50 - 3:40 pm
Processing and Branding Demonstration Brian Freking

3:40 - 4:00 pm
Wrap-up and evaluation Brian Triplett

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FEATURING

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Colorado State University

Temple obtained her B.A. at Franklin Pierce College and her M.S. in Animal Science at Arizona State University. She received her Ph.D. in Animal Science from the University of Illinois in 1989. Today she teaches courses on livestock behavior and facility design at Colorado State University and consults with the livestock industry on facility design, livestock handling and animal welfare. She has appeared on television shows such as 20/20, 48 Hours, CNN Larry King Live, Prime Time Live, 60 Minutes, the Today Show and many shows in other countries. She has been featured in People Magazine, the New York Times, Forbes, U.S. News and World Report, Time Magazine, the New York Times book review and Discover magazine. In 2010, Time Magazine named her one of the 100 most influential people. Interviews with Dr. Grandin have been broadcast on National Public Radio. Her books “Animals in Translation” and “Animals Make Us Human” were both on the New York Times bestseller list. Her life story has also been made into an HBO movie titled “Temple Grandin, starring Claire Danes,” which won seven Emmy awards and a Golden Globe.

Ryon Walker
Louisiana State University AgCenter

Ryon is an assistant professor of beef cattle at the Hill Farm Research Station in Homer, LA. He received a B.S. and M.S. degree from Texas A&M University, and a Ph.D. in reproductive physiology from Colorado State University in 2004. Ryon is currently conducting research to enhance cow-calf production efficiency.

Stan Beavers
Texas A&M

Stan is a Professor and Extension Economist for the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Rolling Plains District headquartered in Vernon. He earned his B.S. in Agricultural Education from Cameron University in Lawton, Oklahoma and his M.S. in Agricultural Economics from Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas. He has been Extension Farm and Ranch Management Economist for the Texas Rolling Plains since May 1989.

Jason Banta
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Jason is an Associate Professor and Extension Beef Cattle Specialist stationed at the Texas A&M AgriLife Research and Extension Center in Overton. He is also a member of the beef cattle section in the Department of Animal Science at Texas A&M University. Jason was raised in central Texas and has been involved in cow-calf production his entire life.

Paul Beck
University of Arkansas

Paul attended Oklahoma State University from 1986 to 1993, receiving B.S. and M.S. degrees in Animal Science. Paul completed his Ph.D. at the University of Arkansas in 2003 and joined the faculty of the Department of Animal Science in 2004. Paul conducts research at the Southwest Research and Extension Center near Hope and the Livestock and Forestry Research Station near Batesville.

Ron Strahan
Louisiana State University AgCenter

A native of NE Louisiana, Ron is an Associate Professor at Louisiana State University. He is responsible for weed management programs in turfgrass, ornamentals, vegetables, and forages.

Brian Freking
Oklahoma State University

Brian attended South Dakota State University from 1987 to 1992, receiving his B.S. and M.S. degrees in Animal Science. Brian began his Oklahoma Extension career in 2004 as the Agriculture Educator in LeFlore County. Brian currently serves as the SE District Livestock Specialist providing support for 19 counties in Oklahoma.
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