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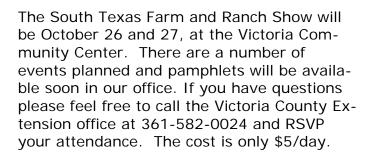
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10/08	Wildlife Management Assoc. Banquet	JWMHB	2 CEU(s)
10/26	South Texas Farm and Ranch Show	Victoria Community Center	16 CEU(s)
10/26	Private Applicator Training	Victoria Community Center	N/A
12/01	Tri Co CEU Day	Bee Co Expo Center	5 CEU(s)

SOUTH TEXAS FARM & RANCH SHOW

October 26 & 27 Cost: \$5/day

Victoria Community Center



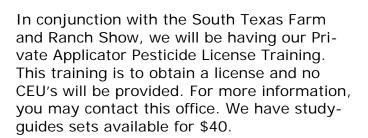
PRIVATE APPLICATOR TRAINING

October 26 Cost: \$10 with books

6:30 am Registration @ Annex 3

7:30 am—11:30 am—Training

2:00 pm—Testing



TRI COUNTY CEU DAY

December 1 Cost \$25





In cooperation with Bee and Refugio Counties, we will be sponsoring a CEU seminar to be held at Beeville Livestock. The cost will be \$5/ hour. Although we are offering 5 hours, if you only need two, you only need to be present for two presentations that day. In the five hours, 2 hours will be in Laws and Regulations and 2 hours will be in Integrated Pest Management.

SOIL TESTING CAMPAIGN

\$10 per sample

DEADLINE: October 30

The Crops Committee is going to help livestock producers with a "Soil Testing Campaign" this fall. We are offering free postage to submit soil tests. Soil testing will take place in the month of October. Soil probes are available from the Extension Office. Submittal form available in the office or on the web:

soiltesting.tamu.edu/files/soilwebform.pdf

We can test forage samples you <u>may</u> have too.

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REQUIRED BRAND REGISTRATION

It is time to re-register your brand at the County Clerk's Office (645-3294). This is done every 10 years. Livestock owners are also encouraged to fill out a form at the Sherriff's Office (645-3451) listing your contact information, description of your livestock, location, and any identification markings that may appear on your livestock. This form is kept in the Cattle Book at the Sherriff's Office for use when livestock get out on public roads or appear in neighboring pastures. The information contained on the form greatly helps law enforcement contact the owner so that they can be returned. It also saves livestock owner fees charged by the County Cowboy when the cattle must be collected and held waiting for an owner to claim them. Beware: with the high cattle prices, cattle theft cases are on the rise.

NOTICE: HISPANIC OR WOMEN FARMERS

If you believe that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) improperly denied farm loan benefits to you between 1981 and 2000 because you are Hispanic, or because you are female, you may be eligible to apply for compensation.

You may be eligible if:

- 1. you sought a farm loan or farm-loan servicing from USDA during that period; and
- 2. the loan was denied, provided late, approved for a lesser amount than requested, approved with restrictive conditions, or USDA failed to provide an appropriate loan service; and
- 3. you believe these actions occurred because you are Hispanic or female.

If you want to register your name to receive a claims package, you can call the Farmer and Rancher Call Center at 1-888-508-4429 or access the following website:

www.farmerclaims.gov

NEW SALES TAX EXEMPTION REQUIREMENT

House Bill 268 was passed in the last legislative session and requires a person claiming an exemption from sales tax on purchases of certain items used in production of agricultural and timber products to provide a registration number issued by the Comptroller of Public accounts on the exemption certificate issued to the seller. This requirement takes effect January 1, 2012. More information on this new requirement can be found at the URL shown below:

www.cpa.state.tx.us/taxinfo/taxpubs/
ag_timber_exemption.html

Most of the products you would purchase other than feed appears to be covered by this requirement to get a registration number. At this time, the Comptroller does not have the capability to issue registration numbers. There is a place in the above website you can sign up for e-mail updates.

NEW REQUIREMENT FOR TRAILERS

Effective September 1, as required by the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles, all non-titled trailers being registered as home-made or shop made will be required to have an assigned serial number.

The following is required by TxDVM for assignment of a serial number:

- 1. Form <u>130-U</u>
- 2. May need a weight certificate
- 3. Full view photo of trailer

Identifying serial numbers will aid in the recovery of property in the event that it is stolen. Trailers weighing over 4001 pounds will need to be inspected at the Victoria PD and need forms VTR-305-A and VTR-68-A are also needed. The fee is \$2.00/trailer.

For any question you can call the Tax Office at 645-3354.

TREE SYMPOSIUM

September 24 Cost: \$50

Victoria Co 4-H Activity Center

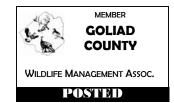
Well known horticultural speakers Dr. Jerry Parsons of San Antonio and Heidi Sheesley of Houston will be among 10 Texas gardening experts leading 12 sessions, Saturday, Sept. 24, at Victoria County Master Gardener Association's (VCMGA) "It's All About Trees – And More" Symposium.

Although emphasis will be on the selection, growth and care of trees, the fall symposium will offer topics on a wide range of gardening topics. The event will be housed in three buildings – VEG Pavilion, Victoria County 4-H Activity Center and Foster Field Officer's Club – all located on Bachelor Drive across from Victoria Regional Airport Control Tower.

Early registration will continue through Sept. 14. An early registration fee of \$50 per person will be charged, and includes admission to the symposium, a plant sale, luncheon, refreshments and snacks, raffle and silent auction. After Sept. 14 admission will be \$60. Interested persons are encouraged to register early to insure a seat at the luncheon and choice of selected programs. TDA pesticide applicators can earn 5 CEU's (4 IPM and 1 General) at the symposium and Master Gardeners likewise earn 5 CEU's.

A symposium flyer and brochure may be downloaded from www.vcmga.org, or obtained at Texas AgriLife Extension Service – Victoria County office, 528 Waco Circle near the airport. The brochure includes details on concurrent sessions and a registration form.





BANQUET

October 8

JWMHB

The 2011 Annual Banquet of the Goliad County Wildlife Management Association will be held on October 8, with doe permit issuance at 7:30 a.m., registration starting at 8:30 a.m. with the program starting at 9 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Julie Wimberly Memorial Homemaking Building located next to the Memorial Auditorium at the County Fairgrounds, with lunch provided by Uncle Mutt's catering.

Topics of discussion this year include: "Coping with Coyotes," John Calentine, USDA/APHIS District Troubleshooter; "Quail Management,"Dr. Fidel Hernandez, Ceasar Kleberg Wildlife Institute; "Game Law Enforcement," Kevin Fagg, Texas Parks and Wildlife Game Warden; "Deer Survey Results," Josh Turner, TPWD Biologist. And we will devote time highlighting the success of the "Hunters for the Hungry" program that we participated in last year, and hope to do more this year.

The WMA will also conduct its regular business meeting and award our lifetime member plaques. This year's banquet will offer two hours (2 hr. Integrated Pest Management) of CEU's for your TDA Private Applicator's License. The fees for nonmembers will be \$6.00 per person.

The WMA will wrap up at 1:00 p.m. with our Tricky Tray raffle and a bird dog puppy donated by Tim and Carol Rideout with Rideout Kennels. You can come by the Extension Office and purchase raffle tickets or any WMA director. We would like to thank our sponsors: Abrameit Bldg and Supply, Ag Med Supply, Al Brothers, American Bank, Blue Quail Taxidermy, Briley's Manufacturing, Jerry Dornak, Encina Ranch, Elders Country Store, Mike and Deme Fishbeck, Goliad Pharmacy, Pete Goubeaud, Goliad Auto Parts, Goliad Auto Service, Goliad Feed, Hartman Distributing, Lowe's, The Sharpshooters, Weesatche Wildgame Processor, Von Dohlen Motor Company, Wexford Hunting, Judy Whitfield and Zachary Construction.

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AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES INFORMATION

If you need any special accommodation, please contact Brian Yanta at 361-645-8204 10 days prior so we can consider your request.

If you have any special dietary needs, please contact Brian Yanta at 361-645-8204 10 days prior to the event.

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