



Upcoming Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Educational Programs

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IDENTIFYING THE STRENGTHS AND NEEDS OF TEXAS COMMUNITIES

We need your help! Here is an opportunity for you to voice your ideas about the strengths and needs of our communities. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey which will greatly benefit Washington County and our programming direction. Here are a few things about the survey:

- Takes about 10 minutes or less to complete
- Identifying relevant issues is important to our program efforts in the county.
- Online
- Anonymous
- Opportunity to elect to receive contact for more information about us.

Here is the link to use to access the survey: <https://texasspeaks.tamu.edu/>

Complete the Survey Here!

Important Updates

Ag Pesticide Applicator Update 2021 COVID-19 Pandemic

During the COVID-19 pandemic and the rise of positive cases across the state, the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) is extending this exemption of agriculture Continuing Education Unit (CEU) requirements. To address the CEU's and licensure requirements for Ag Pesticide applicators, the TDA will work with the ag pesticide applicators and CEU course providers of Texas during this critical time. Licensed applicators with expiring licenses or needing CEU's will be allowed to renew their license even if they have not met their CEU requirement for their current licensing period through



https://www.texasagriculture.gov/Portals/o/Files/ACP/Pesticide/Policy_Pesticide_Applicator_Course%20Provider_COVID.pdf

Visit the TDA Website for more Information

Upcoming Events

Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series - Weed and Brush Control (CEUs) **April 16, 2021**

The second meeting for the 2021 series will take place on **Friday, April 16, 2021** at the Weimar Civic Center located at 1754 IH-10, Weimar, Texas 78962. The goal of this session is to help landowners identify common weeds and brush species in our area. In addition to identifying problem species, we will cover the ins and outs of why we have the weeds we do, how to determine the most effective treatment option, as well as covering a variety of herbicides and application methods for management and control of these plants. This is a great opportunity for any and all landowners to learn from the experts in a classroom setting and have a great opportunity to see equipment and demonstrations as part of the day. Also, if you have a weed or brush sample you would like identified please bring it and we will be glad to identify it for you. Any plant sample need to be as fresh as possible, include leaves and roots, and flower (if applicable). Don't miss this wonderful opportunity!

[Click Here for More Information](#)

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Weed & Brush Control

2021 Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series

April 16, 2021

Weimar Civic Center

1754 IH-10
Weimar, Texas 78962

Registration 1:00-1:30 pm

Program 1:30-5:00 pm

\$20 / person

To register online visit:

<https://washington.agrilife.org/nlo>

Featuring:

Dr. Megan Clayton

Associate Professor & Extension Range Specialist

Topics to be covered:
Weed and Brush Control Basics
How to Read the Pasture Bibles
IPT Sprayer Calibration
Plant Identification
Plant ID Contest

If you have a weed you would like identified bring a FRESH sample with you; include leaves, flowers, stem if possible.

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3 CEUs
(2 Gen; 1 IPM)

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Private Applicator Training **April 20, 2021**

If you plan on using a state limited use or state restricted use pesticide, such as Grazon P+D, 2 4-D, Weedmaster, etc., and need a license, the Texas AgriLife Extension Service will be sponsoring a Private Applicator Training on **Tuesday, April 20, 2021** at the Washington County Expo Sales Facility, 1305 E Blue Bell Road, Brenham. Books and study materials for the course need to be purchased ahead of time for \$40.00 at the Extension Office. A registration fee of \$10.00 will be charged for the training. The registration fee will include the training and additional study



**APRIL 20, 2021
8:30AM - 12:30PM**

**WASHINGTON COUNTY
EXPO
SALES FACILITY**

PRIVATE PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING

This course is for those who wish to obtain a Private Pesticide Applicator License with the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA). Along with the course, you will also receive the Texas Private Applicator Manual (B-1648) as well as the laws and regulations manual (B-5056). The manuals are utilized during the course, so they need to be purchased in advanced. At the conclusion of the course you will receive documentation to be used in securing a test date.

For more information and to reserve your spot at the training visit the Washington County Extension Website at
<http://washington.agrilife.org/pat>

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materials. The training will begin at 8:30am and conclude at approximately 12:30pm. Please reserve your spot for the training as soon as possible; seating is limited.

[Click Here to Register](#)

Household Hazardous Waste Saturday April 24, 2021

Brazos Valley residents who have hazardous waste to get rid of have an opportunity to do so later this month in College Station.

Twin Oaks Household Hazardous Waste will offer free waste disposal next Saturday, April 24th from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Texas A&M University Services Building.

Items that will be taken include aerosol cans, automobile fluids, batteries, computers and electronics, medications, paints and thinners, and household cleaning agents.

Household garbage, tires, and any commercial or business-generated waste will not be accepted.

The collection event will also accept new and used books and donations for Books and a Blanket.

[Visit the Twin Oaks Landfill Website](#)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE SATURDAY

April 24, 2021
Twin Oaks
Household Hazardous Waste
www.TwinOaksHHW.com
979-764-3809

TAMU UNIVERSITY
SERVICES BUILDING- PARKING LOT
7am-2pm



Enter HWY 30/Harvey Rd.
Entrance is between Veteran's Park & Copperfield Pkwy
*NO ENTRY ALLOWED FROM UNIVERSITY DR. EAST/HWY 60

HHW is FREE and OPEN to the residents of the Brazos Valley. NO Commercial Business Generated Waste.

Accepting New/Used Books & Donations for Books & a Blanket.
www.booksandablanket.com

ACCEPTED MATERIALS:

- AEROSOL CANS -AUTOMOBILE FLUIDS -BATTERIES
- COMPUTERS & ELECTRONICS
- COOKING OIL -COMPACT / FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS
- HOUSEHOLD CLEANING AGENTS
- MEDICATIONS -OIL & FILTERS
- PAINTS/THINNERS -CHEMICALS
- TVS
- NO HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE/TIRES



Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series - Livestock and Forage Production (CEUs) May 21, 2021

The third meeting for the 2021 series will take place on **Friday, May 21, 2021** at the Sandy Creek Ranch located in New Ulm, Texas. For this session preregistration is required, only those who preregister will be sent the directions. The goal of this session is to help landowners with the establishment and/or recover of pasture and hay

Forage & Livestock Production

2021 Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series

May 21, 2021

**Sandy Creek Ranch
New Ulm, Texas**

*Must be preregistered for event.
Directions will be sent to
registered attendees.*

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:

- Establishment and Recovery of Pasture and Hay Meadows
- Overseeding with Winter Forages
- Tips & Tricks for Livestock

2 CEUs
(2 General)

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meadows. Paired with the discussion on establishment and recovery the session will include soil fertility and weed control for long term sustainability and performance. Additionally, the session will evaluate options for overseeding pastures with winter forages and learn about the process and benefits. Lastly, we will discuss livestock production and cover some tips and tricks to help landowners create a more successful and sustainable management plan. Two CEU (2 Gen) will be available for licensed pesticide applicators. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity!

[Click Here for More Information](#)

Online CEU Courses



Pest and Weed Control

Choose from a variety of pest and weed control courses covering topics such as structural pest control, residential and school IPM, aerial applications, aquatic vegetation management, herbicides, minimizing spray drift, pest resistant plants, and more.

[Click Here for more Information](#)

Range Management

Learn more about topics such as prescribed burns, dicamba and 2,4-D auxin, and picolinic acid chemistry including use of Invora™ herbicide for brush and weed management.

[Click Here for more Information](#)



Mark Your Calendars for Future Events!

2021 Fall Plant Sale

Proceeds will benefit the Extension Horticulture Committee's Scholarship Fund. Scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors in Brenham and Burrell who are pursuing a career in an agriculture related field.



All plants are propagated locally from seed. We will do our best to get everyone their first choice on variety. If we fall short from the grower we will replace with a comparable variety.

Start Placing Your Orders in August!

1305 East Blue Bell Road, Suite 104 in Brenham

Online orders accepted at:

www.washington.agrilife.org/plantsale

Order Deadline is **Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

Plants will be available for drive thru pick-up on **Tuesday, October 12, 2021** from 10:00am until 5:00pm at the Washington County Expo Sales Facility Building in Brenham. Please contact the Washington County office of Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Service at (979) 277-6212 ext. 2 or visit our website at www.washington.agrilife.org for more information.

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SAVE THE DATE

50th Annual South Central
Texas Cow-Calf Clinic

OCTOBER 22, 2021



At the Washington County Expo in
Brenham, TX.

For details or to get involved visit
our website at
<https://www.washington.agrilife.org>

ENTER TO WIN A FREE HEIFER!

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WASHINGTON CO. PECAN SHOW

Sponsored by Washington County Extension Horticulture Committee

MONDAY, NOV. 22, 2021

Entries due before 5:00pm to the
Washington County Extension Office
No Late Entries Accepted

THURSDAY, DEC. 2, 2021

Results will be available at the
Washington County Extension Office.

RULES FOR COUNTY SHOW EXHIBITION

Exhibitors are limited to one entry of each named variety they grow. The grower may enter as many seedlings, known hybrids, or natives as he or she wishes. Sample entries from one orchard cannot be entered in two county shows. Pecans should be entered in the same county they are grown. If your county does not have a show, enter the nearest county which does. The exhibitor must be the grower. An entry consists of a minimum of 40 pecans. 42 is preferred. Entries containing more than one variety are disqualified. An entry may be composed of nuts from more than one tree. Nuts which are cut, sanded, polished, or otherwise altered will be disqualified. Pecans exhibited must be from the 2021 Crop.

For More Information and to Register Please Contact:

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Horticulture Committee Fall Plant Sale

50th Annual South Central Texas Cow-Calf Clinic

Washington County Pecan Show



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