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Washington County Extension Office

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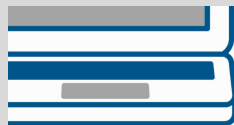
Ag Pesticide Applicator Update 2021 COVID-19 Pandemic

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 December 31, 2021. To learn more click the link below:

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



**JUNE 4, 2021
8:30AM - 12:30PM**

**WASHINGTON COUNTY
EXPO
SALES FACILITY**

PRIVATE 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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Private Applicator Training June 4, 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 **Friday, June 4, 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 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

Washington County Dairy Day June 5, 2021

The Washington County Extension Dairy Committee is excited to announce the annual Washington County Dairy Day is scheduled for June 5th. The exhibitors, parents, sponsors, and committee members invite everyone to stop by the Washington County Expo Barn #2 in Brenham beginning at 9:00am to watch the show and learn about dairy cattle.

A hamburger lunch will be available for \$8.00 per plate. The meal will be served at 12:00noon or at the conclusion of the show.

Come out and enjoy the day, grab a bite to eat, and support the youth of Washington County!

Click Here for More Information

Washington County Dairy Day Saturday, June 5, 2021

Show will be held at Washington County Expo Barn #2
(Show Ring on the East End of the Barn)
1305 E. BLUE BELL ROAD, BRENHAM, TX
Check-In Time: 8:30am-9:00am
Show starts at 9:00am

Show Fees
\$10.00 per head
Entries Must Be Received By
May 28, 2021
If ATE FEE \$5/head if not
received by the deadline**
Entry forms may be mailed, emailed,
or entered online.
See entry form for details.
For more information visit:
<https://washington.agrilife.org/dairyday>
Classes and Rules Attached

For more information, contact the Washington
County Extension Office at (979) 277-6212 or
email kjmatheny@ag.tamu.edu.

Awards

**Old Time Jacket
Showmanship**
Peewee Showmanship
Trophies
Junior Champions
Custom 30oz Tumblers
Senior Champions
Custom 30oz Tumblers
Grand Champions
Halters
Supreme Champion
Director's Chair

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Pond Management

2021 Multi-County New Landowner Educational Series

June 18, 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:
Aquatic Vegetation and Management
Pond Ecology
Pond Construction

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

2 CEUs
(1 IPM; 1 Gen)

**For More
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Fayette County
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LaGrange & Bellville

Partners in Building

Somerville

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Pond Management (CEUs) June 18, 2021

The June meeting for the 2021 series will take place on **Friday, June 18, 2021** at the Fayette County Fairgrounds Event Center in La Grange located at 400 West Fair Grounds Road. This session will provide the opportunity for attendees to learn about factors to consider when identifying a site for and constructing a new pond, aquatic vegetation management and control, fish stocking rates, and pond ecology. This is a great opportunity to network with other new landowners and learn about resources that can be of great assistance to you in establishing and/or managing a pond for your property. **Also, if you have a pond weed you would like identified please bring it and we will be glad to identify it for you. Any plant sample needs to be as fresh as possible, include leaves and roots, and flower (if applicable).**

Click Here to Register

Virtual Plant Party June 23, 2021

We are having our third PLANT PARTY Training on June 23rd from 10-11:30 am. The theme this party is "The Lowdown on Invasives" where we have 5, 15-minute presentation prepared on understanding terms used to describe invasive plants, what makes a plant act invasively, the impact of invasive plants, a case study using a biological control agent, and the influence of invasives on pollinators. It is really going to be an information-thick event, plus there are door prizes!

These Plant Party quarterly webinar trainings are a collaboration between Extension, USDA-NRCS, and TPWD. They are offered FREE in an attempt to provide an easy learning opportunity for our employees, although clientele are welcome.

Click Here to Register

JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL

PLANT PARTY

THE LOWDOWN ON INVASIVES

JUNE 23, 2021

FREE, Informal and FUN!

Topics Covered:

- Terms of Invasion
- What Makes Invasive Plants Invasive?
- The Impact of Invasive Plants
- Biological Control: A Case Study
- The Influence of Invasive Plants on Pollinators

Event Details

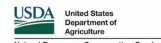
Cost: Free

Time: 10 - 11:30 AM CST

To register:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PlantParty3>

GREAT DOOR PRIZES will be given away throughout the party! Register for your chance to win.

For more information:
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Gardening Lunch-N-Learn Series

The Bluebonnet Master Gardeners of Washington

SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

Wildflowers

OCTOBER 5, 2021

Trees - Recovery, Pruning, and More

NOVEMBER 2, 2021

Roses - Purchase to Pruning

2021 WASHINGTON COUNTY LUNCH-N-LEARN SERIES

Your One Stop Shop For All Things Gardening!
• Registration: 11:50am - 12:05pm
• Program: 12:05pm - 12:55pm
• No Pre-Registration Required
• FREE to the Public
• Light refreshments provided

Please visit our website
(<https://washington.agrilife.org/lnl>)
or follow us on Facebook
(Washington County Agriculture -
Texas A&M Agrilife Extension)
for additional updates.

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County are pleased to present the 2021 "Lunch-N-Learn" series to be hosted on the **first Tuesday of each month, September-November**. The series boasts topics related horticulture with the homeowner and backyard gardener in mind! Speakers are experts in their fields and practical gardeners with great tips and information for everyone.

Program registration will begin at 11:50am with the program beginning at 12:05pm and concluding at 12:55pm. At the conclusion of each session the speaker and our Washington County Master Gardeners will be available to answer questions.

All Master Gardener Lunch-N-Learn programs are free to the public and you are welcome to bring your own lunch and drink.

Visit our
website

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.

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Information



Mark Your Calendars for Future Events!

2021 Fall Plant Sale

Plant 4 Packs for \$2.50	Plant 4 Packs for \$2.50
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Argemone Bark Cherry Brown Creeper (Moss) Brown Sprouts Calliopsis Chickadee "XJH" Early Fall Dandelion Early Spring Wildflower Crabapple (New Crown) Colored Cereus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Red Flat Leaf Early Leaf Yellow Green Leaf Red Leaf Yellow Maroon Green Spineless White Chard

All plants are propagated locally from seed. We will do our best to get customers their choice in variety. If you do not have the space or information with a community center.

Start Placing Your Orders in August!

1305 East Blue Bell Road, Suite 104 in Brenham
Orders must be paid for in full when placed.

Online orders accepted at:

washington.agrilife.org/plants

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 Center Building in Brenham. Please contact the Washington County office of Texas A&M Agrilife Extension Services at (979) 277-6212 ext. 2 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://washington.agrilife.org>

ENTER TO WIN A FREE HEIFER!

**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 exhibitor 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. A2 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, stained, polished, or otherwise altered will be disqualified. Pecans exhibited must be from the 2021 Crop.

For More Information and to Register Please Contact:
Washington County Agrilife Extension Service
579-277-6212 ext. 2 [www.washington.agrilife.org](https://washington.agrilife.org)

Horticulture Committee
Fall Plant Sale

50th Annual South
Central Texas
Cow-Calf Clinic

Washington County
Pecan Show

Scholarship Recipient Spotlight!

2021 Bluebonnet Master Gardener Association Scholarship



**Leroy
Stavinoha, III**
Colorado County

I will be majoring in Animal Science (Science Option) with plans to pursue a professional degree in Medicine after receiving my undergraduate degree. I am interested in a medical career in orthopedics and sports medicine. I will join the Corps of Cadets while at Texas A&M to continue my leadership experiences.



**Taylor
Limbaugh**
Fayette County

After College, I plan to use my degree in animal science to become either an agricultural science teacher at a Texas High School or become a 4-H County Extension Agent. It is my goal to introduce students from all backgrounds to the diverse world of agriculture and what it has to offer.



**Clayton
Boeker**
Washington County

Upon completion of my undergraduate degree, I plan to attend a Texas medical school and obtain a Doctorate in Physical Therapy, with plans to become a licensed physical therapist.



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