

Participants attending the NDSU Beef College will learn how beef cattle research conducted at North Dakota State University

can be used to improve the productivity and profitability of their operation.

In the morning session, speakers will discuss research related to late-season grazing alternatives, feeding cull cows, the effects of cattle disposition on carcass traits, fetal programming and gestational nutrition, and their effects on long-term productivity of the cow herd, natural versus conventional finishing of feedlot cattle, and weaning age and weaning alternatives and how research related to these topics can be used to improve the bottom line of beef cattle operations.

The program will feature keynote speaker Tom Field. Field is a well-known cattle industry visionary who comes with a wealth of on-the-ranch and industry experience. Field will share with participants his view of the beef industry and will discuss ways producers can tackle today's economic and regulatory challenges and look ahead to future opportunities. Field will use his experiences of being raised on a cow-calf operation in western Colorado, being a highly respected professor of beef cattle production and management at Colorado State University, and now as director of producer education for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association to help producers take on future challenges and provide some vision for the future of the beef cattle industry.

The program will highlight a panel of producers from across North Dakota who have implemented unique solutions to challenges on their cattle operations, making their businesses more viable and stronger.

Preregistration by Jan. 29 is appreciated.

Speakers

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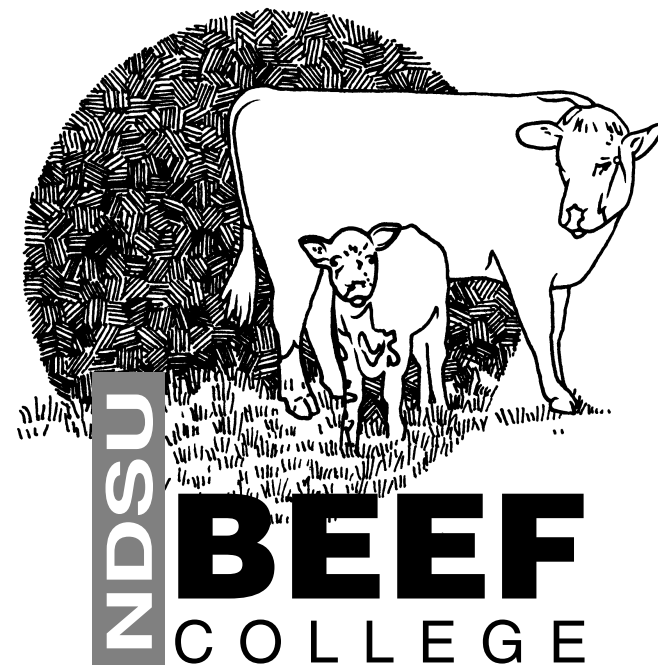
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Thursday, Feb. 11, 2010

Best Western Doublewood Inn
1400 E. Interchange Ave.
Bismarck, N.D.

Target audience:
Cow-calf,
backgrounding
and finish feeding
operators, and
stocker operators

NDSU
Extension Service
North Dakota State University

in conjunction with
NDSU Department of Animal Sciences
North Dakota Stockmen's Association

Agenda

- 9:15 a.m. **Welcome**
Charlie Stoltenow,
NDSU Animal Sciences Department
Master of Ceremonies
Julie Ellingson, executive vice president,
North Dakota Stockmen's Association
(NDSA)
- 9:30 a.m. **Beef Quality Assurance Update**
Lisa Pederson, Dickinson Research
Extension Center (DREC),
NDSU Extension Service
- 9:40 a.m. **North Dakota Beef Cattle
Improvement Association Update**
Kris Ringwall, DREC
- 9:50 a.m. **NDSA Update**
Jason Schmidt, vice president,
North Dakota Stockmen's Association
- 10 a.m. **Late-season Grazing Alternatives**
Bryan Neville, NDSU Animal Sciences
Department
- 10:20 a.m. **Feeding Cull Cows**
Michelle Thompson, Hettinger
Research Extension Center
- 10:40 a.m. **Effect of Disposition on
Carcass Traits**
Eric Berg, NDSU Animal Sciences
Department
- 11 a.m. **Natural vs. Conventional
Finishing Programs**
Vern Anderson, Carrington Research
Extension Center
- 11:20 a.m. **Fetal Programming: Effects of
Gestational Nutrition on Cowherd
Fertility and Longevity**
Kim Vonnahme, NDSU Animal Sciences
Department
- 11:40 a.m. **Weaning Age and Backgrounding
Alternatives**
Doug Landblom, DREC
- Noon **Lunch**

1 p.m. Master of Ceremonies
Greg Lardy,
NDSU Animal Sciences Department

“Adjusting to today’s economy”
Tom Field, National Cattlemen’s
Beef Association

2 p.m. **Producer Panel: Facing Current
Challenges and Looking Ahead for
Future Opportunities**

- Seedstock-Commercial-Feedlot Alliance
- Expanding Feeding and Beef Processing
- Ranch Transition

Ryan Topp, Bill Price, Ray Erbele

Cost

- By Jan. 29: \$25 (includes lunch)
- At the door: \$35 (lunch not included)
- High school and college students: \$10 (includes lunch if registered by Jan. 29)

Program cost includes proceedings

Lodging

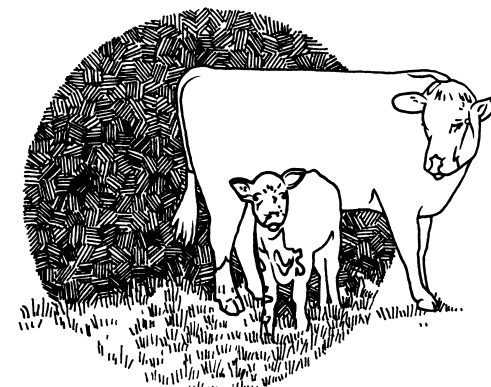
A block of rooms is being held at the Best Western Doublewood Inn, 1400 E. Interchange Ave., Bismarck, N.D., until Jan. 29, 2010. Call (701) 258-7000 and ask for the “NDSU Beef Meeting” rate of \$71 + tax for single and double occupancy.

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Registration

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Cost: \$25 (\$35 at the door)

\$10 student

Total included _____

Lunch is included with pre-registration.

Pre-registration is due Jan. 29.

Make checks payable to: NDSU

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