

# From the Field

"Improving the knowledge and skills of Victoria County's farmers & ranchers"

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September, 2019

## What's coming?

- South Texas Farm & Ranch Show
- Pesticide Applicator Training
- Victoria County CEU Day
- Vector CEU Program

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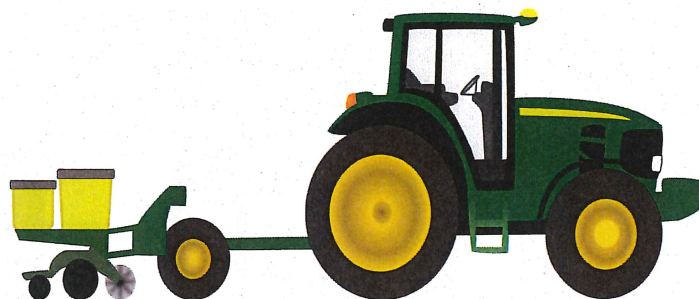
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## 2019 Cropping Season Complete

The 2019 row cropping season has slowly come to an end with mixed results. After a very wet spring resulting in later planting dates for corn and grain sorghum, the weather turned off incredibly dry. Some areas of the county didn't receive ANY measurable rainfall for 60+ days. Therefore, harvest reflected the dryness in certain areas of the county. Corn yields averaged around 100 bushels and grain sorghum approximately 5000 lbs/acre. Cotton yields that were planted early fared better

than the later plantings. The county cotton average was approximately 2-2.5 bales/acre. Soybeans averaged 30 bushels/acre. After baling a large cutting of hay in the first cutting, folks are still hoping to get a second one before the first frost. Fortunately, hay surplus this year will help feed cattle this

winter. Cattle numbers and pricing have remained steady to strong throughout the year. Demand continues to be strong in foreign markets and cattle numbers are still climbing in Texas. May the rain hit the areas that you need this fall and winter. All the best and God continue to richly bless each of you.



## Upcoming Programs

*35th Annual South Texas Farm & Ranch Show, October 23-24, Victoria Community Center, 11 hours of CEU credit available in the 2 day show. Cost \$20/person for educational programs and the trade show is FREE*

*Need a pesticide applicator's license? October 24th at the South Texas Farm & Ranch Show. Victoria Community Center, 7AM start time. Cost is \$20. Study booklets are \$40. RSVP a slot at the Victoria County Extension Office at 361-575-4581*

*Need CEU credit for you pesticide applicator's license? Victoria County CEU Day, January 30, 2020, Victoria Educational Gardens Pavilion, 283 Bachelor Drive. RSVP by January 27th. 5 hours of credit for commercial, non-commercial, and private applicator's licenses.*



# Free Admission

Visit the booth exhibits at no charge

Wednesday - 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

and

Thursday - 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

## Educational Programs

See enclosed schedule to make plans to attend the wide variety of classes offered at this show for \$20 per day.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The South Texas Farm & Ranch Show awarded \$19,000.00 in scholarships in 2019. Approximately \$230,000.00 has been awarded since 1991 to deserving high school seniors pursuing an agriculture related degree.

### 2019 Recipients

Hanna Bludau, Hallettsville - Mark Scherer Memorial Scholarship, \$1750  
 Sarah Peters, St. Paul, Shiner - Melvin Scherer Memorial Scholarship, \$1500  
 Lacey Schulz, Industrial - John Stockbauer, Jr. Memorial Scholarship, \$1500  
 Alexandra Tullios, Hallettsville - Jack Ross Memorial Scholarship, \$1500  
 Kagan Mijol, Victoria East - David Derham Memorial Scholarship, \$1500

### ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS \$1250 EACH:

Abby Huddleston, Victoria West  
 Jaden Butler, Colliad  
 Jennifer Anderson, Victoria East

### OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS \$1250 EACH:

Hayden Wuenschle, St. Joseph  
 Caleb Miao, Moulton  
 Caden Jander, Cuero  
 Kaci Herman, Yoakum  
 Emilee Bethke, Industrial  
 Julianne Haabe, Moulton

## FEATURED LUNCHEON SPEAKERS



Dr. Ron Gill  
 Associate Department Head  
 Texas A&M Agrilife Extension  
 October 23rd



Mrs. Tiffany Dowell Lashmet  
 Ag. Law Specialist  
 Texas A&M Agrilife Extension  
 October 24th

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**2019**  
**South Texas**  
**Farm & Ranch**  
**Show**

**OCTOBER 23-24, 2019**

**VICTORIA COMMUNITY CENTER**  
 2905 E. NORTH ST.  
 VICTORIA, TEXAS

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# 2019 South Texas Farm and Ranch Show Educational Programs

October 23-24, 2019

6:00 AM Early Registration &  
Breakfast Both Days

Victoria Community Center  
2905 E. North St.  
Victoria, TX 77901

All Educational Sessions  
Held in Annex

Wednesday, October 23rd		Thursday, October 24th	
ANNEX 1 & 2	ANNEX 4	ANNEX 1 & 2	ANNEX 4
<b>CATTLEMEN'S COLLEGE I</b> <b>CEU credit: 1 IPM, 1 General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Plant Identification Contest</li> <li>*Pasture &amp; Range Management</li> <li><i>Dr. Megan Clayton, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>*Pasture &amp; Hay Field Weed Management Alternatives</li> <li><i>Dr. Josh McElmry, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>Moderator - <i>Dr. Megan Clayton</i></li> </ul>	<b>CROPS MANAGEMENT</b> <b>CEU credit: 1 General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Current Legal Status and Possible Hemp Production in Texas</li> <li><i>Dr. Josh McElmry, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>*Gene Drive - Next GMO Technology &amp; Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Update</li> <li><i>Mr. Stephen Biles, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>Moderator - <i>Mr. Anthony Melandus, Agrilife Extension</i></li> </ul>	<b>TDA LICENSE RECERTIFICATION I</b> <b>CEU credit: 1 Laws &amp; Regs, 2 General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Pesticide Compliance Issues</li> <li><i>Mrs. Melissa Barton, Texas Department of Agriculture</i></li> <li>*Innovative Pasture Management Concepts</li> <li><i>Dr. Wayne Hanzelka, Agrilife Extension-retired, Consultant</i></li> <li>*Water Issues in Texas</li> <li><i>Dr. Allen Berthold, Texas Water Resources Institute</i></li> <li>Moderator - <i>Mr. Greg Baker</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*PESTICIDE APPLICATOR TRAINING</li> <li><i>Mr. Brian Yanla, Agrilife Extension</i></li> </ul>
7:00 - 10:00 AM		7:00 - 10:00 AM	
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<b>11:30 AM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luncheon - "What do Beef Labels Mean?"</li> <li><i>Dr. Ron Gill, Professor &amp; Extension Livestock Specialist, Texas A&amp;M Agrilife Extension</i></li> </ul>		<b>11:30 AM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luncheon - "Landowner Liability Issues in Texas"</li> <li><i>Mrs. Tiffany Dowell Lastinger, Agricultural Law Specialist, Texas A&amp;M Agrilife Extension</i></li> </ul>	
<b>1:30 - 4:30 PM</b> <b>CATTLEMEN'S COLLEGE II</b> <b>CEU credit: 1 General</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Hot Topics in Beef Herd Management</li> <li><i>Dr. Joe Paschal, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>*Beef Promotion Quality Program's Update</li> <li><i>Mr. Mike McCravy, Texas Beef Council</i></li> <li>*Beef Market Outlook,</li> <li><i>Dr. David Anderson, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>Moderator - <i>Dr. Joe Paschal</i></li> </ul>	<b>WILDLIFE</b> <b>CEU credit: 1 IPM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Native Plants for Quail Restoration &amp; Ecology</li> <li><i>Dr. Aaron Sumrall, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>*Feral Hog Control</li> <li><i>Dr. John Tameck, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>*Management Tips for Establishing Native Habitat for Wildlife</li> <li><i>Mr. Doug Jones, Texas A&amp;M-Kingsville, Texas Native Seeds</i></li> <li>Moderator - <i>Dr. Aaron Sumrall</i></li> </ul>	<b>1:30 - 4:30 PM</b> <b>TDA LICENSE RECERTIFICATION II</b> <b>CEU credit: 1 Laws &amp; Regs, 1 General, 1 IPM</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Water Readiness Issues</li> <li><i>Dr. Diane Boelstorff, Texas A&amp;M Soil &amp; Crops Science</i></li> <li>*IPM Strategies for Agriculture</li> <li><i>Mr. Stephen Biles, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>*Pesticide Laws &amp; Regulations</li> <li><i>Dr. Mark Meloch, Agrilife Extension</i></li> <li>Moderator - <i>Mr. Stephen Biles</i></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*BACKYARD PLANT PROPAGATION TECHNIQUES (HANDS ON)</li> <li><i>Mrs. Lupe Cook, Mrs. Joy Reed, Mr. Jimmy Miller, Victoria County Master Gardeners</i></li> </ul>
6:00 PM TRADE SHOW CLOSES		5:00 PM TRADE SHOW CLOSES	



# Victoria County CEU Day

**Thursday, January 30, 2020**  
**Victoria Educational Gardens Pavilion**  
**283 Bachelor Drive (Victoria Reg. Airport)**

**5 CEUs (1-Integrated Pest Management, 1-Laws & Regulations, 3 General)**

For Texas Department of Agriculture Private, Commercial,  
and Non- Commercial Licensed Pesticide Applicators

**Registration—7AM**

**Program—7:30AM**

**\$40 Registration Fee (includes lunch & training)—Paid at the Door**

**\* RSVP by January 27th REQUIRED**

**POSSIBLE MANDATORY AUXIN TRAINING AFTERWARD IF  
NEW REQUIREMENTS ARE RELEASED**

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**Vector CEU Program**  
**February 19, 2020**  
**Victoria County 4-H Activity Center**  
**8am—3pm**

**Pesticide applicator CEU opportunity for applicators with a non-commercial license supporting the vector category. This training will be specific to county and municipal employees that are responsible for mosquito control. The number of hours offered will depend on the Texas Department of Agriculture's approval**

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If you have name, address, phone, or email changes, please contact the office at:

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