

U of M announces dates for 2008 Beef Cow/Calf Days

ST. PAUL, Minn. (12/28/2007) -- The University of Minnesota will conduct 2008 Beef Cow/Calf Days Feb. 4 through Feb. 15, 2008, in 10 locations around the state.

Presented by the University of Minnesota Extension Beef Team, the program is designed to provide beef producers with current information about new technologies and issues facing the industry.

Each location will feature a customized program tailored to the needs of producers in that part of the state. Also included at every location are core topics of interest statewide.

Core topics for this year's program are: current updates on industry issues; grazing management strategies; heifer development; and calf weaning management-what do the feeders want. Other topics include siting and permitting for livestock development (southern locations only), and the impacts of wolves on cattle operations (northern locations only).

The registration fee is \$25 per family or farm. Registration is requested at least one week in advance with the site coordinator. Dates, locations, times and site coordinators are as follows:

- **Mora-- Feb. 4**, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., Fish Lake Resort (674 Fish Lake Dr.). Contact Lori Weddle-Schott at (320) 225-5051 or weddl002@umn.edu.
- **Staples-- Feb. 5**, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Central Lakes College, Assembly Room (1830 Airport Rd.). Contact Randy Pepin at (320)732-4435 or pepin019@umn.edu.
- **Bagley-- Feb. 5**, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., American Legion (112 N. Main Ave.). Contact Jim Stordahl at (218) 694-6151 or stordahl@umn.edu.
- **Greenbush-- Feb. 7**, 5:30 - 9:30 p.m., Greenbush Community Center (244 Main St. N.). Contact Nathan Johnson at (218) 463-0294 or johns854@umn.edu.
- **Grand Rapids-- Feb. 8**, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., Itasca Community College, Davies Theatre (1851 E. Hwy.169). Contact Grand Rapids Extension Regional Center at (218) 327-5958 or schul925@umn.edu.
- **Glenwood-- Feb. 12**, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Minnewaska House (24895 State Highway 28). Contact Rhonda Wulf at (320) 231-7890 or wulfr@umn.edu.
- **Pipestone-- Feb. 13**, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Pipestone American Legion (117 S. Hiawatha Ave.) Contact Mike Boersma at (507) 825-6715 or boers010@umn.edu.
- **Houston-- Feb. 14**, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Houston Community Center (109 West Maple Street) Contact Jerry Tesmer at (507) 725-5807 or tesme001@umn.edu.
- **Rochester-- Feb. 14**, 5:30 to 9:30 p.m., Holiday Inn South (1630 S. Broadway). Contact Lori Weddle-Schott at (320) 225-5051 or weddl002@umn.edu.
- **New Prague-- Feb. 15**, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., Knights of Columbus Hall (411 4th Ave. NW). Contact Brad Carlson at (507) 332-6109 or bcarlson@umn.edu.

For more information on Extension's Beef Team, visit <http://www.extension.umn.edu/beef>.

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