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COLTRANE HALL
(North Carolina A&T campus in Greensboro)

Steve Troxler, the North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture, is coming to A&T to sign a letter congratulating The Cooperative Extension Program at A&T on its 20th year of celebrating Small Farms Week in North Carolina. Troxler will be joined at the ceremony by Alton Thompson, Dean of the SAES, Cooperative Extension administrators and a delegation of farmers.

Small Farms Week Kickoff
WATAUGA COUNTY EXTENSION CENTER
(971 W. King Street, Boone N.C.)

Presiding
Jim Hamilton, Professor of Forestry, Haywood Community College

Welcome
Ellen Smoak, Western Region Program Coordinator, The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

Jim Deal, Chair, Watauga County Board of Commissioners

The 2005 Small Farmers of the Year Video, Featuring Kirby and Nathaniel Maram of Watauga County

Introduction
Daniel M. Lyons Sr., Central Region Program Coordinator, The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

10 a.m. — Panel Discussion: Ensuring Financial Success for Small Farmers in North Carolina

Moderator
Jim Hamilton, Haywood Community College

Panelists
Jim Deal, Chair, Watauga County Board of Commissioners
Jim Hunt, Branch Manager, Carolina Farm Credit
Blake Brown, Associate Professor of Agriculture and Resource Economics, North Carolina State University
Dan Meyer, President and CEO, Boone Area Chamber of Commerce
Kirby and Nathaniel Maram, What Fir! Tree Farm

Noon — Lunch

Speaker
Blake Brown, Associate Professor of Agriculture and Resource Economics, NCSU

1 to 3 p.m. — Tour of What Fir! Tree Farm

Meghan Baker of Watauga County Cooperative Extension; Theresa Nartea, Agribusiness and Farm Management Specialist for The Cooperative Extension Program at A&T; and Tammara Cole, a farm management agent with the A&T Extension field staff, will be at What Fir! to give presentations on:
- Making the Web Work ... for Your Small Farm Business
- Farmers Adopting Computer Training (FACT)
- FarmWin (Farm Business Management Software)
- Marketing Christmas Trees in the High Country

The Small Farms Week Kickoff is sponsored by Carolina Farm Credit and the Watauga County Cooperative Extension Center.

Research Presentation:
The Story of Sustainable Cocoa: Reducing Poverty, Improving Lives, Protecting the Environment One Chocolate Bar at a Time
WEBB HALL
(North Carolina A&T campus in Greensboro)

Dr. Howard-Yana Shapiro, a scientist and co-author of the landmark book Gardening for the Future of the Earth, will be giving a presentation on the potential that sustainable production methods for Theobroma cacao (the small tree that produces cocoa beans) hold for improving public health, socioeconomics and the ecology in countries where it is grown.
Showcase of Excellence: Student Research Poster Competition
WEBB HALL, MAIN LOBBY

Judging will begin at 9 a.m., and the top six poster presentations will be on display in the lobby outside of Stallings Ballroom before and after the Small Farmers Recognition Luncheon on Wednesday, March 22.

Second Annual University Farm Show
A&T STATE UNIVERSITY FARM
(McConnell Road, Greensboro)

Tour at your convenience:
* The new poultry research facility
* Crop research and demonstration sites
* The sheep and goat research unit

There will be guided tours of other research projects at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Safety Demonstrations
A. ATV Safety — 10 a.m. & 2 p.m.
B. Chain Saw Safety (Stihl) — 10:30 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
C. Tractor Safety (Central Carolina Farm & Mower) — 11 a.m. & 2:30 p.m.
D. Fire Safety & Burning Permits (USDA Forest Service) — 11:30 a.m. & 3:30 p.m.

☆ Registration (Please register on arrival)
1. Byrd Tractor
2. Featherlite Trailers (Bill Black Chevrolet Cadillac)
3. Piedmont Tractor
4. Central Carolina Farm and Mower
5. N.C. Building & Enclosures
6. Interstate Transportation Equipment
7. Greensboro Tractor
8. Mid-Atlantic Irrigation Company
9. Mid-Atlantic Agrisystems
10. Witco
11. Barnes & Stables
12. Berry Hill Irrigation
13. Diesel Equipment Company
14. Fray Manufacturing & Distribution
15. Southern States Cooperative
Small Farmers Appreciation Day

8 to 9:30 a.m. Registration
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9:30 a.m. Premiere of Solutions for North Carolina™
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Presiding
Celvia Stovall, Associate Administrator,
The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

10 a.m. Educational Forum — Beyond the Tobacco Buyout Program: Ensuring your Financial Future
COLTRANE HALL, GODFREY ROOM

Presiding
Keith Baldwin, Program Leader and Extension Horticultural Specialist,
The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

Presentations

• **Current status of the Tobacco Buyout Program**
  John O’Sullivan, Extension Farm Management and Marketing Specialist,
The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

• **Tax Implications and Consequences Relative to The Tobacco Buyout Program**
  John K. Pierre, JD, Associate Vice Chancellor for Special Projects,
  Southern University Law Center (Baton Rouge, LA)

• **Managing Buyout Money**
  Arnie Oltmans, Agricultural and Resource Economics Specialist, NCSU

• **Enterprises that Will Pay the Taxes**
  Keith Baldwin, The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

12:30 p.m. Small Farmers Recognition Luncheon
MEMORIAL STUDENT UNION BUILDING, STALLINGS BALLROOM

Presiding
M. Ray McKinnie, Associate Dean and Administrator,
The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

Welcome
Celvia Stovall, Associate Administrator,
The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

Remarks
Donald McDowell, Associate Dean for Academic Programs, School of Agriculture and Environmental Sciences, N.C. A&T State University
Steve Troxler, North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture
Joe Zublena, Associate Director, N.C. Cooperative Extension Service
Laree Cherry, Chair, Strategic Planning Council, The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

Lunch

Introduction of Speaker
M. Ray McKinnie

Speaker
John K. Pierre, JD, Associate Vice Chancellor for Special Projects,
Southern University Law Center (Baton Rouge, LA)

Presentation of the Gilmer L. and Clara Y. Dudley Small Farmer of the Year Award
Elsie Dudley Little, Plant Manager, Dudley Products, Inc.
Daniel M. Lyons Sr., Central Region Program Coordinator,
The Cooperative Extension Program at N.C. A&T

Premiere of the 2006 Small Farmer of the Year Video

Comments from the Award Winners

Closing Remarks
M. Ray McKinnie
Goat & Cattle Field Day
A&T State University Farm Small Ruminant Research Unit
(McConnell Road, Greensboro)

Thursday, March 23, 8 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Questions and Answers — 11:20 to 11:45 a.m.

Noon to 1 p.m. — Lunch (Available for purchase)

Vendors, commodity organizations and research scientists will have exhibits and posters for viewing from noon to 3:30 p.m.

1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Goat and Cattle Health, and Parasite Control Workshops

Track I
This workshop will last for the entire 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. time slot. There is a $15 fee for participants.

• Use and Training in FAMACHA® for Determining the Need to Deworm
  Mulumebet Worku, Associate Professor/Biotechnologist, Department of Animal Sciences, N.C. A&T; and
  Kevin Anderson, Professor of Ruminant Medicine, NCSU

Track II
Participants can choose two of these three workshops. Please indicate preferences on registration forms.

• Injections, Vaccinations, Deworming and Other Health Management Practices
  George G. Kennedy, Professor of Entomology, NCSU

• Goat Restraining, Hoof Trimming, Castration and Dehorning: Management Practices, and Sources for Equipment and Supplies
  Gary L. Summers, Research Technician, N.C. A&T

• Herd Health Practices and their Effect on Feeder Calves
  Frederick Fuller, Professor of Microbiology and Immunology, NCSU; and Caswell Veterinary Services

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