

Southern Illinois Beef Day Program Will Be August 1 At Rend Lake College

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Cow-calf producers and others interested in cattle production will find valuable, research based information at the 2012 Southern Illinois Beef Conference. The conference will be held on Wednesday, August 1 in the Applied Science Center at Rend Lake College, Ina, Illinois.

“The conference is especially geared for cow-calf producers and designed to take-home knowledge that will enhance their ability to improve management decisions,” said U of I Extension animal systems specialist Teresa Steckler.

The conference will begin with registration at 8:30 am and the program will start at 9:15 am.

The registration cost is \$15, due by July 25. The fee includes morning and afternoon refreshments, a noon meal, and conference materials. Late and on-site registration is \$20. Lunch is not guaranteed for late and on-site

registration. More information and registration forms are available by contacting Teresa Steckler at 618-695-4917, tsteckle@illinois.edu, or register on-line at <http://web.extension.illinois.edu/dsac/>.

Conference presentation topics and presenters will include:

- Genetic Testing and Its Implications for the Beef Industry – Jonathan Beaver, PhD, University of Illinois animal scientist.
- Economic Considerations for Cow-Calf Producers – Ruth Hambleton, Retired, University of Illinois Extension.
- Feeding Drought Stressed Corn to Cattle – Teresa Steckler, University of Illinois Extension.
- Drought Stricken Pasture Consideration for 2012 and 2013 – Gary Letterly, University of Illinois Extension.
- Using Tropical Maize as Forage for Cattle – Michael Vincent, University of Illinois crop scientist

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