

# Start 2012 Off Right At Jan. 4 Ag Day In Lonoke

## LONOKE, ARK.

Start the 2012 rice and soybean season off right at Ag Day, set for Wednesday, Jan. 4, 2012, at the Lonoke Agricultural Center on U.S. 70, just east of Lonoke.

The meeting, hosted jointly by the Lonoke and Pulaski county extension offices, begins at 9:00 a.m. There is no cost to attend.

"We have a great lineup of University of Arkansas researchers who will give insights into current research in rice and soybean disease, fertility and other issues," said Keith Perkins, Lonoke County extension agent for the University of Arkansas Division of Agriculture. "The presentations and the lessons learned from the 2011 growing season will be very beneficial to your farming operation."

Speakers include:

- Bob Scott, weed scientist – rice/soybean weed control/resistance management
- Rick Cartwright, associate director of agriculture and natural resources for the U of a Di-

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- Jeremy Ross, soybean agronomist – soybean update
- Yeshi Wamishe, plant pathologist – rice diseases
- Nathan Slaton, director of the U of A's soil testing lab – soil fertility for rice and soybeans
- Keith Perkins – rice seed treatments
- Jan Yingling, Lonoke County extension agent – Lonoke 4-H
- Dianna Bowen, Lonoke County extension agent – tractors and equipment aren't the only ones in need of routine maintenance
- Jeff Welch, Lonoke County extension staff chair – rice and soybean insects
- Scott Stiles, extension economist – economics of production.

If you would like additional information or require assistance to attend the meeting, please feel free to contact the county Extension office at 501-676-3124. Δ



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