

Virginia Tech Twilight Field Day & CVCA Beef Producer Meeting

Thursday, April 8, 2010

Virginia Tech Research Station - Orange, Virginia

- 4:30 p.m. Registration
- 5:00 p.m. **"The Basics of Electric Fencing"** – Lee Ellsworth, Gallagher Fence
Proper energizer selection and grounding
Proper high tensile fence construction
Underground wires and jumpers
Electric fence and energizer troubleshooting
- 6:00 p.m. Sponsored Dinner
- 7:00 p.m. **"Everything You Need to Know About Producing Feeder Calves For The Natural Market"** – Don Knore, Cattle Acquisition Specialist, Pineland Farms Natural Meats, Inc, New Gloucester, Maine
- Dr. Mark McCann, Beef Cattle Specialist, Virginia Tech
Overview of Pineland Farms (Largest Natural Cattle Buyer in this area)
Qualification cattle have to meet for their program
Premium paid for Natural Feeder Calves
Economics of Producing Natural Feeder Calves
Gain Differences compared to Traditional Programs
What Products Can be Used in a Natural Program
Record Keeping Requirements
- 8:15 p.m. Central Virginia Cattlemen Association Business Meeting
Service and Supply
Marketing
Old and New Business
- 8:30 p.m. Adjourn

**Please pre-register by calling the Orange Extension Office
at (540) 672-1361 by Tuesday, April 6.**

If you are a person with a disability and desire any assistive devices, services, or other accommodations to participate in this activity, please contact Steve Hopkins at the Orange Extension Office at (540) 672-1361 (TDD*) during business hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to discuss accommodations five (5) days prior to the event. TDD number is (800) 828-1120