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NEWS FROM YOUR CEO

Summer is here and with it comes hurricane season, heat, humidity and sporadic rain showers. We have experienced another dry spring and many producers are in need of rain. Cattle prices have been good in 2010 especially slaughter cows. Normally this market gets high in Feb./Mar. and then drops off, but this year cow prices began this rise in Feb./Mar. and it has only been in the last month that prices have come down, however, the better end of the cows are still bringing in the 50's with a few in the 60.00-62.00 cwt. range. Bulls also followed this same trend with heavy bulls still bringing in the 70's. My guess is that cows going to slaughter are running 10% higher than last year and there were times where they were 20% higher than a year ago. Rye grass cattle sold good this spring as did calves contracted before mid May for fall delivery. Slaughter steers and heifers broke the 100.00 cwt. mark this spring and are still trading in the 90's. Let's hope the beef eaters in the northeast have a great grilling season! Our local markets will continue to rock along throughout the months of June and July dictated more by the weather which will determine the supply and in turn the price. The fall runs usually have been

starting in mid to late August and continue till Thanksgiving so have a marketing plan and work your plan. Remember CPL has market report updates every Saturday call 1-888-528-6999 and hit selection 3. Also, May 31 your membership ran out so if you have not renewed please send your \$50.00 in today. Let us know if you have any changes in your address or contact information. For those who have not renewed, stop here and go to the form in the newsletter and fill out the info and send it in along with the dues to the CPL mailing address. Thanks in advance for supporting CPL. If you want a meeting in your area call our toll free number and ask for a date and time. Also, mark your calendars for July 17. A program called "Moving From Production to Profit in Ranching" is being held in Pineville at the Country Inn from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Kit Pharo, a Colorado rancher, author, trainer and newsletter editor along with Dr. Fred Provenza, rancher, Utah State University professor, award winning research scientist will talk about some very interesting topics. See more about it in this newsletter.

Don't get lulled to sleep this summer, keep track of the markets and let's help each other survive in our business by the exchanging of ideas and lifting each others load.

Dave Foster

*Don't forget to renew your membership.
Look on page 4 for more information.*

July 17, 2010—Pineville LA

Valuable Workshop for Ranchers! Register Today!



Moving From Production to Profit in Ranching

Nationally acclaimed speakers share success secrets!

Kit Pharo

Colorado Rancher, Author, Trainer, Newsletter Editor

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Rancher, Utah State University Professor, Award Winning Research Scientist

Join us and learn about proven methods to move your livestock business from production-driven to profit driven!

**Limited Space Available
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Cost of Registration: \$75

Registration includes training, breakfast, and lunch.

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Louisiana Grazing Lands Coalition
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Cattle Producers of Louisiana
Twin Valley RC&D Council
Cenla Environmental
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

When

Saturday, July 17, 2010
8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Where

Pineville Convention Center
Country Inn and Suites
2727 Monroe Highway
Pineville, Louisiana 71360

How To Register

Complete the attached registration form and return the completed form with your registration fee(s) to:

**Twin Valley RC&D
ATTN: Workshop Registration
428 Dixie Plaza
Natchitoches, Louisiana 71457**

If you have questions about registration, please call Twin Valley RC&D at: (318) 352-4946

If you have questions about workshop content, please call Johanna Pate at (318) 473-7808 or e-mail johanna.pate@la.usda.gov

Lodging information is included on registration form.

**Registration
Deadline:**

July 7, 2010

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Moving From Production to Profit *Workshop* in Ranching

Registration Form

Register the following individuals for the workshop:

Name: _____ Company: _____ Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____
Name: _____ Company: _____ Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ E-mail: _____

Please use a separate sheet of paper to list more individuals for registration.

Registration Fee: \$75 x _____ **= \$** _____
(number of individuals) (total registration cost)

Amount enclosed = \$ _____

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A block of sleeping rooms has been reserved at the Country Inn and Suites. Call (318) 641-8332 or 1-800-596-2375 to reserve your sleeping room. Ask for the NRCS block of rooms.

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Mark Your Calendar!

**Louisiana Farm Bureau
Federation Convention
and 88th Annual Meeting**

**June 24-27
New Orleans Marriott
New Orleans, LA**

For agenda, registration
packet, contest times or
any other information,
visit the Farm Bureau
website:
www.lfbf.org/convention



Congratulations and Best Wishes to CPL members Russell and Amelia Levin Kent. Russell and Amelia were married during a beautiful ceremony on May 28th in Hammond with a wonderful reception in Ponchatoula. Good luck to the newlyweds.

Don't Forget to Pay Your Dues

Please be sure to take a moment to make sure your membership dues are up-to-date. Your membership dues are crucial to further advancing our mission. If you have already paid your dues, we thank you. Please use this form to sign up your neighbor. Dues are just \$50. If you have not yet paid your dues, visit our website (www.lacattle.org) and use the online form or fill out the form below. Your dues are the only source of income for our organization and without them we would not be able to ensure that our goals are seen through. If you have any questions, comments or ideas, please feel free to call 1-888-528-6999.

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