
Beef Sire Selection & Management Seminar

Thursday, February 2nd – 3:45 to 8:30 pm

Mt. Vernon - (Mt. Vernon Outland Airport – Wilkey's Cafe)¹

3:45 pm **REGISTRATION**

4:00 pm **WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS**

Terry Mefford, Southern Illinois Beef Association

4:05 pm **Breeding Soundness Evaluation – Why important & When Conduct?**

Dr. Carey Harbison, Town & Country Veterinary Clinic, McLeansboro

4:30 pm **Southern Illinois University Bull Test Station**

Dr. Rebecca Atkinson, Beef Cattle Professor, SIU

5:00 pm **Maximize Efficiency, While Optimizing Performance with Vita Ferm**

Mark Wellman, Regional Sale Manager, Vita Ferm

5:30 pm **Utilizing Angus Genetics in a Challenging Industry**

Jerry Cassidy, Regional Manager, American Angus Association

6:00 pm **Understanding & Incorporating Physical Traits into Sire Selection**

Dr. Doug Parrett, U of I Extension Beef Cattle Specialist

6:25 pm **DINNER**

7:05 pm **EPDs –What They Are, What They Aren't and How Can I Use Them?**

Dr. Doug Parrett

7:35 pm **Management of the Herd Bull with Emphasis on Yearling Bulls**

Dave Seibert, Retired U of I Animal Systems Educator

8:05 pm **2012 Illinois Performance Tested Bull Sale Update**

Dave Seibert, Sale Manager, IPT Bull Sale

8:20 pm **Q & A Session – Speakers**

8:30 pm **ADJOURN**

¹ **Mt. Vernon Outland Airport** – Wilkey's Cafe – The airport is located east of Mt. Vernon on IL Rt. 15. From Interstate 57-64 at exit 95 take IL Rt. 15 east for 5.3 miles to the airport.

Registration:

Please register us for the Beef Sire Selection & Management Seminar. The registration deadline is Friday, Jan. 27th. Pre-Registration fee is \$5.00 if made by Jan. 27th. Late & at door registration is \$10.00. Checks payable to SIBA (Southern Illinois Beef Association).

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Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

County _____ Phone _____

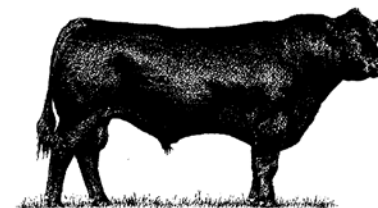
Send Registrations to:

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Co-Sponsors:

- Southern Illinois Beef Assn.
- University of Illinois Extension
- Vita Ferm
- Illinois Angus Association
- Illinois Simmental Association
- Illinois Beef Association



Dear Beef Producer,

The most important decision made each year in the cow-calf enterprise is the selection, health and management of the herd sire. Not only does the sire contribute 50% of the genetic make up of the offspring, but also can have a major impact on the calf's development from birth through harvest.

A Beef Sire Selection and Management Seminar is planned for Thursday, February 2nd at the Mt. Vernon Outland Airport in the Wilkey's Café east of Mt. Vernon. The airport is located east of Mt. Vernon on IL 15. From Interstate 57-64 at exit 95 take IL Rt. 15 east for 5.3 miles to airport.

The program will start at 3:45 pm with registration and conclude at 8:30 pm. Included as part of the registration fee is the evening meal and all handouts. Cow calf producers interested in attending should register by Friday, January 27th.

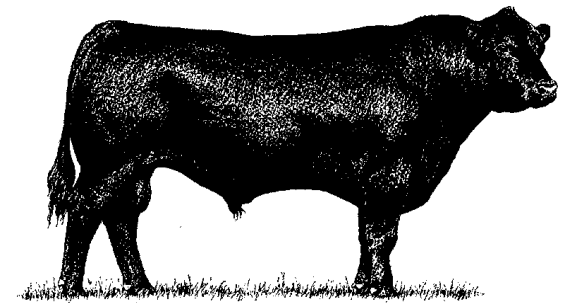
The speakers will include Dr. Carey Harbison of the Town & County Veterinary Clinic, McLeansboro who will cover the very important topic of "Breeding Soundness Evaluation." Also on the program are Rebecca Atkinson from Southern Illinois University, Mark Wellman from Vita Ferm and Jerry Cassidy from the American Angus Association. Completing the program will be Dr. Doug Parrett, U of I Beef Cattle Specialist and Dave Seibert, Retired U of I Animal Systems Educator.

Please pre-register by Friday, January 27th. Pre-Registration fee is \$5.00 if made by Jan. 27th. Late & at door registration is \$10. Thus, you need to send in your reservation TODAY with plans to attend this educational program.

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