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NEWS BRIEFS

Get Your Fort Worth Stock Show Passes and Rodeo Tickets Before Dec. 31

TSCRA HAS TEAMED UP WITH THE FORT WORTH STOCK SHOW AND Rodeo (FWSSR) to offer TSCRA members free grounds admission for the full 23-day run of events. Each membership is eligible to receive two grounds passes.

Members can also purchase tickets to the Ranch Rodeo performances on Jan. 15-16, 2016, and the Ranch Gathering Party Jan. 16. More information on the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo can be found at fwssr.com.

When you order, you will receive two 1-day passes from the Fort Worth Stock Show and Rodeo. This pass will get you onto the grounds and can be redeemed in the International Suite, located in the Richardson-Bass Building, for a TSCRA commemorative pin. **Pin quantities are limited.** After the commemorative pins run out, members will receive a nametag good for grounds admission. Commemorative pins are only available through this program. **The deadline to get passes is Dec. 31, 2015.**

To order your passes online, please visit tscra.org and have your TSCRA member number ready; click on the FWSSR button on the right side of the page. A form to order passes and tickets was also included in your November issue of *The Cattleman* magazine.



Last Chance For Medical Insurance Open Enrollment



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THE LATEST ROUND OF OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR INDIVIDUAL MEDICAL insurance began Nov. 1 and ends on Jan. 31, 2016. The Cattle Raisers Insurance team is here to guide you through the process and answer your questions. **Open enrollment ends Jan. 31, 2016.**

Open enrollment is the time of year for review of your individual medical policy and premiums to see if you are satisfied with how the plan meets your individual needs. This is the one time of year you can make a change to your current medical policy, unless you have a qualifying event occur in your life such as birth, marriage or divorce.

The Cattle Raisers Insurance team is here to consult with you on your current medical plan, quote new plan offerings, advise you on the medical policy that would best suit your needs and consult with you on premiums that may be able to save you dollars.

If you choose a new medical insurance plan, you will need to complete a new application and return it to your Cattle Raisers Insurance team for processing. Veronica Gomez, Samantha Ristau and Michele Woodham will service your policy through the TSCRA office in Fort Worth.

For more information about your health insurance options, visit cattleraisersinsurance.com or call 800-252-2849. They will be happy to help!

The Right Dose for the Right Weight

WHEN ADMINISTERING ANTIBIOTICS, MAKE SURE TO CALCULATE THE PROPER DOSE BASED ON THE WEIGHT OF THE ANIMAL. UNDER DOSING WILL likely reduce product efficacy and over-dosing increases withdrawal time and cost.

If individual animals are treated with antibiotics, they should also be individually identified and procedures put in place to prevent marketing before withdrawal times listed on the label are complete, or as recommended by your veterinarian.

Renew Your Ag and Timber Tax Exempt Registration Number Before Jan. 1

TEXAS LAW REQUIRES THOSE CLAIMING AN EX-emption from sales tax on the purchase of certain items used to produce agricultural and timber products for sale to hold an agricultural and timber exemption registration number. The law also requires ag/timber numbers to be renewed every 4 years on a uniform date, regardless of the date the number was first issued.

Persons claiming the agricultural exemption on their purchases already give their supplier an exemption certificate that includes the ag/timber number. Effective Jan. 1, 2016, the exemption certificate must also include a current expiration date. Therefore, all ag/timber number holders need to renew their ag/timber number before Jan. 1, 2016, in order to get a current expiration date.

The office of Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Glenn Hegar has quick and easy options for renewal of an Ag/Timber number: to renew by telephone, call 1-844-AG RENEW (1-844-247-3639); or to renew online visit comptroller.texas.gov.

Current holders of an ag/timber number should have received a renewal letter. To renew by mail, follow the instructions in the renewal letter and keep a copy of the letter for your records. You will receive a confirmation letter with your new courtesy cards in 4 to 6 weeks.

Questions regarding ag/timber number renewals may be directed to the comptroller's office at 1-800-252-5555.

Join Your Region's Water Planning Group

THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD (TWDB) releases the state water plan every 5 years and they want you in on the planning process. Find your region's planning group by visiting twdb.texas.gov for more information on how to become more involved. Based on 16 regional water plans, the state plan addresses the needs of all water-user groups in the state — municipal, irrigation, manufacturing, livestock, mining and steam-electric power stakeholders.



Larceny of Cattle, Burglary Charges in Oklahoma Stolen Cattle Cases

JIMMY LEE MANLEY, 51, OF BRISTOW, OKLA., WAS ARRESTED Oct. 27 in Sand Springs and charged by the Tulsa County Court with larceny of cattle and burglary in the second degree in cases involving cattle stolen from Tulsa County ranchers. TSCRA Special Ranger Bart Perrier led the investigation with assistance from Special Ranger John Cummings.



According to Perrier, Manley is suspected of stealing 6 cows and a steer calf from a Tulsa County rancher near Broken Arrow. The cattle were transported to the Fort Smith Livestock Auction near Fort Smith, Ark., where they sold for \$9,729.36.

Manley also stands accused of the Aug. 2 theft of a bull, 2 cows and 2 heifer calves from another Tulsa County rancher near Collinsville. The cattle were transported to the Fort Smith Livestock Auction, where they were sold for \$7,253.39. A barn was also burglarized and assorted hand tools and other items were taken, as well as a 14-foot stock trailer that was used to haul the stolen cattle. The victim's stock trailer and some of the tools were recovered from the suspect's residence on Oct. 13.

Manley was being held in the Tulsa County Jail on a combined bond of \$120,000. He was arrested earlier this year on a separate cattle theft charge in Creek County by special agents with the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture. Perrier stated that he expects Manley will be charged in the near future with other pending cattle theft and larceny charges in various other counties.

TSCRA members — ask about discounts from the following partners!

