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Master Beef Class Available

The UT Extension Service will again host the Master Beef class in the winter of 2010. Participants will receive training in Managing and Planning for Success, Marketing Beef Cattle, Developing Genetics to the Needs of the Industry, Carcass Merit, Feeding the Beef Herd, Forage Production, Reproduction, Herd Health, Cattle Handling and Behavior, Environmental Concerns for Beef Production, Food Safety, and Managing the Beef Herd. Participants will also be asked to attend Beef Quality Assurance training if not already certified in this. The program will consist of 10 sessions in Fayetteville. The cost will be \$150 per person, which includes a notebook, farm sign and cap. Producers who have completed Beef Quality Assurance and have registered their farm in the Premises ID program can attend for \$50 - a \$100 savings. If the Tennessee Department of Agriculture Ag Enhancement Grants continue as they have in the past, those who complete the Master Beef class will receive 50% cost share rather than 35% on the genetics and handling facilities grants. Dates are Tuesdays in February, March and April.

The classes are all Tuesday nights - February 2, 16, and 23; March 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30; April 6 and 13. All classes will start at 6:30 unless otherwise notified and will include a meal.. Participants who have not completed Beef Quality Assurance class or have had their BQA certification expire and want to receive the \$100 discount will need to attend the Beef Quality Assurance class on either Thursday February 18 or Thursday March 18 at 7 PM.

Please call us at 433-1582 to register by January 19 if you are interested. This program is open to everyone.

Yours Truly,

David Qualls
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