

Lake Placid Noon Rotary

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TAYLOR DAVIS LIVESTOCK EXTENTION AGENT



Taylor and Farmer Phil

Taylor Davis, the Livestock and Natural Resources Extension agent in Highlands County visited our club last week. In her role as an extension agent, she not only works with producers on their livestock operations but also is trying to implement more natural resources events into the community. She also hopes to expand more into the small farm animal sector because that's a growing interest in Highlands County.

A few upcoming events that she discussed were:

- Cool Season Forages Field Day: March 1, 2018 @Hardee County Extension office
- Beef Cattle Reproduction Workshop: April 12, 2018 @Highlands County Extension office
- Winter Supplementation: September 20, 2018 @Highlands County Extension office

Florida's Cattle Industry is sometimes unnoticed in the midst of so many tourist attractions and rapidly growing communities, but the landscape was once a vast area of grazing lands. For almost 500 years, the cattle industry has contributed significantly to Florida's economy and natural resources. Multi-generational family ranches have cared for the land, provided employment for many residents and contributed greatly to the local tax base. Florida has had several regional winners and one national winner of the National Cattlemen's Environmental Stewardship Award. Lands used for cattle production are also important "green space" for wildlife and native plant habitat, aquifer recharge and carbon recovery.

Florida is a cow-calf state. The primary cattle "crop" is calves which are shipped to other states to be finished and processed into beef. Florida beef producers own over one million

cows, heifers and bulls generating a calf “crop” which exceeds 800,000 calves annually. With a total breeding herd value of over \$847 million and an annual calf crop estimated at over \$400 million, Florida’s beef cattle herd is valued in excess of a billion dollars.

Beef cattle sales and sales of breeding stock generate a total economic impact of over \$900 million annually.

Florida’s dairies supply milk and dairy products which are mostly consumed in-state, creating cash receipts in excess of \$400 million. Florida is home to over 100,000 dairy cows which produce over 2 billion pounds of raw milk annually.

BUSY FEBRUARY

We have a busy month right out of the gate this month. First off, we have a fund raiser in the form of Hee Haw. On February 2nd and 3rd, there will be a grand show at the Genesis Center in Lake Placid at 7 pm both nights. We may need some volunteers—please consider helping one or both nights to take tickets, usher, or just be there in support. All proceeds from this show are being donated to our club.

And also on the 2nd and 3rd, we will be making and selling funnel cakes at the Lake Placid Country Fair. If you have not already signed up to cook, serve, throw sugar or take money...GET ON THE LIST!



Recently, I became aware of a program that will donate money to our club with little effort by you. If you shop on Amazon, you should really be shopping through the Amazon Smile program. Amazon will donate 0.5% to our foundation for all eligible purchases.

Sadly, over the past 7 years, I spent more than \$9700 at Amazon which would have generated

WGD AFTER PARTY!

Whoo hoo! We finally found a date that would work. This Saturday (the 27th), join us at Bo David’s for a little fun and fellowship. Did you help with the WGD? Did you sell tickets? Buy or sell sponsorships? Volunteer? Did you think about the Wild Game Dinner at all???

Then you should plan to attend. It’s also a belated holiday event...so come and join the fun!

Bo David’s
Social Hour 5-?
Dinner on your own with the group



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MEETINGS

EVENTS

2/2-3 Hee Haw

2/2-3 Country Fair- funnel cakes!



HELP! OUR CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Greeter

1/25	Lorraine Hutchins
2/1	Susan Jones
2/8	Patty McFetridge
2/13	Jennifer McGee

Invocation

1/25	James Fansler
2/1	C.B. Brewer
2/8	Kathy Main

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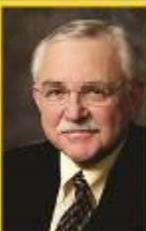
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