REPORTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

1. **2006 Fall Beef Roundup in Bagley, November 20**
   The Bagley Livestock Exchange will host this year’s Fall Beef Roundup (10:00 - 3:00 pm). No registration fee and lunch is provided by the Bagley Livestock Exchange. Topics include: Restoring deep-fried pastures to leafy green, Extending the grazing season, Winter feeding strategies following drought, Veterinary update, and Making the most of your forage production. For more information, contact Bagley office at: 1-800-866-3125.

2. **Beef Team to speak at Minnesota State Cattlemen’s Convention & Trade Show**
   The Beef Team will be speaking at the MSCA Convention & Trade Show on December 2, at the Sheraton Bloomington Hotel. The MSCA Convention & Trade Show is Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1 and 2. Topics covered include: NCBA’s Fed Beef Quality Audit, Carcass Merit Program Update, Animal ID Progress Report, NCBA’s Cattle Learning Center Reproduction Module Demo, and NCBA’s Livestock Handling and Care Guidelines. For more information, contact Ron Lundeen at (507) 877-5003.

3. **2006 Cattle Feeder Days**
   Cattle Feeder Days will be held at: Crookston (Dec. 4), Morris (Dec. 5), Slayton (Dec. 6), and Springfield (Dec. 7) from 10:00 - 2:00pm and Rochester (Dec. 7, 6 - 9:00pm). Registration is 30 minutes prior to start time and the fee is $25.00/person. Topics include: High grain price strategies; Challenges & opportunities for building/expanding the feedlot business; Present and future of Animal ID; Alternative feeding opportunities; Feeding and economic considerations; Corn co-products in feedlot diets; building, retro-fitting and managing confinement facilities. For more information, visit the Beef Team website at: www.extension.umn.edu/beef/

4. **2007 Cow/Calf Days**
   2007 Cow/Calf Days tentative schedule for February is: Glenwood (6), Pipestone (7), Rochester (8), New Prague (9), Mora (12), Staples (13), Bagley (13), Greenbush (14), and Grand Rapids (16). Information on times and topics will be available in December at www.extension.umn.edu/beef/.

5. **Cattle Owners to Receive Tax Credits for Bovine TB Testing**
   Minnesota has detected bovine TB in seven beef herds in MN. MN cattle owners paying for bovine TB testing on their herd can receive a new tax credit beginning this year. The credit is available to cattle owners testing any number of animals. Cattle owners can now claim a credit against their taxes for an amount equal to one half of the expenses incurred to test your herd. For more information on receiving tax credits, visit the Beef Team website at: www.extension.umn.edu/beef/ or contact the Board at (612) 201-6814.

6. **National Livestock and Poultry Environmental Learning Center to offer Web casts**
   Web casts on manure management will be offered every third Friday of each month for livestock producers. To view the web casts, you need Real Player on your computer. The first web casts “Pathogens in Animal Manure….Should We Be Concerned” will be offered on November 17 (Part 1) and December 15 (Part 2). For more information on topics, dates and times, visit the website at: http://lpe.unl.edu/index.html

For more information on upcoming events, contact Denise Plonis at (218) 327-4490 or visit the beef team website at: www.extension.umn.edu/beef/. If you have any comments or would no longer like to receive this newsletter, please e-mail your request to Ryon Walker at: walke375@umn.edu

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