It is time to conduct a brucellosis calf hood vaccination schedule in Izard County. If you have heifers between 4-12 months of age, please call the Izard County Extension Office at (870) 368-4323. The technician from the Livestock & Poultry Commission will begin vaccinating in Izard County some time during the first two weeks in April. Closer to the schedule, we will confirm exact dates and times for those who have called in to get on the schedule. It is very important that you have your cattle caught before the Livestock and Poultry Technician arrives, and make sure someone is there who is able to assist the technician. The scheduled times are estimates and could vary as much as an hour before or after. In addition, you must have adequate working facilities in order for the technician to vaccinate your calves.

A working head gate is required or the cattle will not be vaccinated.
Private Applicator License

Izard County Extension Service will be offering one more Private Applicator Training in 2016. This training is available to first time applicants and those needing to renew. The training will be held at the Melbourne Community Room on April 11th, 2016 at 5:30 pm. The Community Room is located between Melbourne City Hall and Izard County Extension Service. Please call (870) 368-4323 if you have any questions.

Extension Beef and Forage Field Day

Izard, Sharp, Fulton and Independence counties will be hosting a Beef and Forage Field Day on April 21st, 2016. The meeting will be held at Satterfield Farms near Evening Shade, AR. There is no charge to attend but please call (870) 368-4323 by April 11th and let us know if you will be attending. This will help us get a count for lunch. I hope you can attend this meeting there will be something for everyone and if you have not seen

North Arkansas Beef & Forage Conference

Date: April 21, 2016
Location: Satterfield Farms—Evening Shade, AR
(see directions on back)

Pre-register by April 11th with your local County Extension Office
Sharp Co.—(870) 994-7363
Independence Co.—(870) 793-8846
Izard Co.—(870) 368-4323
Fulton Co.—(870) 895-3301

Agenda and Speakers

Registration 9:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.
Rain Simulator Demonstration 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
Jerome Huft, NRCS Grassland Specialist
Bull Selection 11:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Nathan Reinhart, Independence County Agent
Lunch 12:00 p.m.—1:00 p.m.
(provided courtesy of Satterfield Farms)
Nutritional Aspects of Producing Haylage 1:00 p.m.—1:30 p.m.
Dr. Shane Gildner, U of A Extension Beef Nutrition Specialist
Do’s and Don’ts of Making Haylage 1:30 p.m.—2:00 p.m.
Dr. John Jennings, U of A Extension Forage Specialist
Demonstration on Harvesting, Baling, and Wrapping 2:00 p.m.—2:30 p.m.
(Weather Permitting) Mark Satterfield, Landowner