Texas Chapter of the American Society of Agronomy
Annual Meeting
February 25-26, 2008
Texas Tech University National Ranching Heritage Center
3121 4th Street, Lubbock, TX
Final Program

Sunday, February 24, 2008

4:00 – 6:00 pm – Board of directors meeting – National Ranching Heritage Center
Ericsen Classroom.

6:00 – 8:00 pm – Social – Texas Tech University Frazier Alumni Pavilion (Sponsored by
Texas Tech University Department of Plant and Soil Science).

Monday, February 25, 2008 – National Ranching Heritage Center Anderson Room

8:00 – 8:30 – Registration (coffee and doughnuts)

8:30 – 8:35 – Program Overview

8:35 – 8:45 – Welcome and overview of the Texas Tech University College of
Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources – John Burns, Interim Dean.

8:45 – 9:00 – Overview of the Texas Tech University Department of Plant and Soil
Science – Tom Thompson, Chair.

9:00 – 9:15 – Overview of the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Lubbock
– Jaroy Moore, Resident Director.


9:30 – 10:00 – Bioenergy Initiatives and Opportunities for Texas – Travis Miller,
Professor, Associate Head and AgriLife Extension Program Leader, Soil and Crop
Sciences Department, Texas A&M, College Station, TX.

10:00 – 10:30 - Break (Tour the National Ranching Heritage Center Museum on your
own).

10:30 – 10:45 – The 2007 Texas High Plains Cotton Crop – Randy Boman, Professor,
Texas AgriLife Extension, Lubbock, TX.

10:45 – 11:10 - Sustaining Rural Economies through New Water Conservation
Technologies - R. Nolan Clark, Laboratory Director, USDA-Agricultural
Research Service, Bushland, TX.
11:10 – 11:30 - Integrating Crops and Livestock for a More Sustainable Agriculture - Vivien Gore Allen, Paul Whitfield Horn Professor, Thornton Distinguished Chair, Department of Plant and Soil Science, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX.

11:30 – 11:50 - Translational Genomics: A Vertically Integrated Approach to Harnessing Genome Technologies for Crop Improvement - Thea Wilkins, Bayer CropScience Regents Endowed Professor, Department of Plant and Soil Science, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX.

11:50 – 1:00 – Box Lunch (Tour the National Ranching Heritage Center Museum on your own).

1:00 – 5:00 – Tours – Texas Tech University International Textile Center and the Bayer CropScience Lubbock processing facility and Q&A lab.

6:00 – 8:00 pm – Dinner at the National Ranching Heritage Center Pitchfork Pavilion (Entertainment – Cowboy Poet Andy Hedges – sponsored by Texas Tech University Department of Plant and Soil Science).

8:00 pm - ? – Student Meeting/Social - The Main Event http://www.maineventusa.net/newsite/dialup/Lubbock/index.html (Sponsored by Texas Tech University Agronomy Club – PLEASE RSVP to seth.sowder@ttu.edu).

Tuesday, February 26, 2008

8:00 – 8:30 – Coffee and doughnuts.

8:30 – 8:45 – Initiating a New Research/Teaching Program in Turfgrass Science - Gerald Henry, Assistant Professor, Department of Plant and Soil Science, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX.

8:45 – 9:00 - From the Classroom to the Turnrow and Back: Development of a New Extension Program - Jason Woodward, Assistant Professor, Texas AgriLife Extension and Department of Plant and Soil Science, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX.

9:00 – 9:10 - Presentation of the Bruce Maunder Outstanding Student in Agronomy Award.