

Texas A&M Mare/Foal Workshop

Texas AgriLife Extension and Department of Animal Science
Louis Pearce Pavilion - Texas A&M University Campus
Thursday, February 24, 2011

Agenda

8:00 - Registration - Coffee and Continental Breakfast

8:30 - Herd Health and Immunizations – Dr. Mike Martin, *College of Veterinary Medicine, Large Animal Clinical Services*. Overall health plans for broodmares and foals including deworming and vaccinations.

9:15 - Feeding Broodmares and Foals -- Dr. Dennis Sigler, *Texas AgriLife Extension Service, Extension Horse Specialist*. What does your broodmare need to meet her and her foal's requirements? How to help assure the foal gets off to a healthy start.

10:15 - Break

10:30 - The Estrous Cycle – Dr. Clay Cavinder, *College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Department of Animal Science*. Optimizing breeding programs, by understanding the estrous cycle of the mare, including estrus detection and teasing.

11:15 - Breeding Management Considerations for Mare Owners – Dr. Martha Vogelsang, *College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Department of Animal Science*. Specific management practices which will improve the reproductive efficiency of the mare herd.

12:00 - Catered Lunch

1:00 - Foal Health – Dr. Tracey Norman, *College of Veterinary Medicine, Large Animal Clinical Services*. Common ailments that foals may encounter in early life. Best management practices for optimum foal health.

2:00 - Parturition, Signs of Foaling – Kelly Winsco, Graduate Student, *College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, Department of Animal Science*. Signs of foaling and concerns about the foaling process.

2:45 - Break

3:00 - Live Demonstrations of Preparations for Breeding, Breeding Techniques, Foal Handling at the Animal Science Horse Center Breeding Barn – Krissy Schroeder and Horse Section Faculty

4:30 - Adjourn

You must register to attend this workshop. The cost for each of these Equine Owner Education Workshops is \$40.00 and online registration will be accepted through February 13, 2011. Late online registration is \$50.00 and will be accepted from February 14 through February 18, 2011.

Registration at the door is \$60.00 per workshop. You may register for both workshops for a total of \$70 prior to February 13, or \$90 from February 14th through February 18th. Registration at the door for both workshops together is \$100. For more information, contact Dr. Dennis Sigler (979) 845-1562, or email at dsigler@tamu.edu. To register, please visit AgriLife Extension Conference Services at <http://agrilifeevents.tamu.edu/>.