

MANATEE LIVESTOCKER

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Calendar Of Events

January

21	8:00 AM - Florida Cattlemen's Institute and Trade Show. Kissimmee
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	1:00 PM - Manatee County Fair Opens
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	7:00 PM - Youth Swine Show
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22	7:00 PM - Youth Breeding Heifer Show
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23	8:00 AM - Youth Judging Events
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	10:00 AM - Youth Goat Show
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	2:00 PM - Swine & Heifer Sale
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	7:00 PM - Plant Sale
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24	10:00 AM - Horse Show
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25	5:00 PM - Llama Show
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	7:00 PM - Dairy Show
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27	4:00 PM - Dog Show
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	7:00 PM - Dairy Costume and Showmanship
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28	7:00 PM - Steer Showmanship
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	9 AM - 5 PM - Certified Crop Advisor Workshop - Lake Alfred
29	7:00 PM - Steer Show
30	2:00 PM - Steer Sale
February	
3	Ecological Values for Grazing Lands in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. SUDAKOFF Center @ USF Campus - 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM
2,9,16,23	Citrus Production School - Call (941) 956-1151 to register
March	
9	9:00 AM - Pesticide License Class - AG Center Palmetto

- Other News -

Florida Livestock Producers are eligible for USDA-Farm Service Agency - livestock feed losses. Under the program, farmers and ranchers who experienced losses from January 1 through March 31, 1998, or losses in at least three of the past five years may begin applying for assistance at the regional FSA office in Wauchula.

- Economic and Ecological Values of Local Grazing Lands -

The Myakka Conservancy is sponsoring a forum to explore the common interests of conservationists and cattle ranchers in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. Grazing land has the highest ecological value of any agricultural use in Florida, but ranchers and environmentalists have often been perceived as opposing forces. By discussing shared interest and values, the forum should foster areas of potential alliance between cattlemen and conservationist. Additionally, the forum will focus on the economic value to local government of maintaining a balance of rural and developed lands.

The forum will be held February 3, 1999 at Sudakoff Center on the University of South Florida campus in Sarasota from 9:30 to 4:00 p.m.. Sudakoff Center is located at the corner of U.S. 41 and General Spaatz, one block north of University Parkway. The cost of the forum is \$10.00, which includes a light lunch. To register, call the Soil and Water Conservation District at (941) 907-0011; or send a check for \$10.00 for each participant along with their name and address to Soil and Water Conservation District, 6900 Professional Parkway East, Suite 200, Sarasota, FL 34240. Make checks payable to the Myakka Conservancy, Inc..

Co-sponsors include the Manatee County Cattlemen's Association, the Manatee County Farm Bureau, Schroeder-Manatee Ranch, the Manatee-Sarasota Sierra Club, the Manatee and Sarasota Soil and Water Conservation Districts, and the New College Environmental Studies Program.

- EQUIP Sign-up Period and Eligibility -

A designated sign-up period runs from February 1, 1999 to March 8, 1999. Eligibility is extended to persons who are engaged in livestock or agricultural production. Eligible land includes crop land, range land, pasture, forest land, and other farm or ranch lands where the program is delivered. To sign-up call Jack Creighton at 907-0011.

For further information, contact Travis Seawright at 941/722-4524 ext. 236, or your local Farm Service Agency.

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