



RANCH MANAGEMENT

THE CATTLE CALL
Newsletter for Alumni of the
TCU Ranch Management Program
Spring 2017

From the President, Wayne Cockrell '98

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Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your alumni president for the next two years. It is an honor to represent you! I would also like to recognize our outgoing president, Skyler Flake. Skyler is passionate about this program and our industry. He displayed true leadership this past January when he stepped up and volunteered to host the annual summer roping after it looked like it would not be held this year. Thank you, Skyler!

I graduated in 1998 from the program and I now manage Carter Ranch in Oakwood, Texas. Carter Ranch has been one of the ranch visits on the East Texas field trip since 1999 or 2000, so I have had the opportunity to meet many of you there, as well as meet many more of you at Roundup or the summer roping. There are not any instructions that come with this job, but I was fortunate to get to see two pretty good alumni presidents, Dick Winters and Jeff Geider, while I was a student. I will try to bring the same energy and passion for this program as they did. As I look back at the past presidents, I am truly reminded of the old cliché, "Big shoes to fill!"

Congratulations to this year's class on your soon-to-be graduation! One common bond that we alumni hold is the knowledge that when you receive that certificate and shake the hands of your instructors, you have earned the right to become a member of this alumni group! No one appreciates your hard work and dedication more than your fellow alumni! We welcome you into our group and challenge each of you to stay actively involved with the program and your fellow classmates. We realize that many graduates go on to other professions to make their living. We do not care what you end up doing, just come back for Roundup, the summer roping, or attend the annual tailgate party at a TCU football game. I can assure you that your fellow classmates will miss you and will look forward to seeing you each year. This program is only as strong as the support, encouragement, and guidance that the alumni provide. We are only here for a little while, but the TCU Ranch Management Program will be here for future generations, so stay involved!

The annual summer roping will be held in Childress this year on June 16-17. I hope to see you there. It is also not too early to start planning to attend our Alumni Roundup on January 27, 2018, especially my 1998 classmates - we will be having our 20th class reunion and I hope to see each one of you!

Please contact me if you have any questions, complaints, or ideas,
or if I can ever do anything to help you!

Summer Roping/Alumni and Family Summer Gathering June 16th and 17th in Childress, TX!

We are excited to be bringing the 31st Annual Summer Gathering to Childress, TX the weekend of June 16th-17th, 2017. We can't wait to once again bring together the camaraderie, networking, ranching way of life, and down right fun that happens during the alumni summer gatherings! We would love to be able to provide a memorable time, but at a limited cost, to our alumni and families.

As alumni, we rely on strong working relationships and bonds with one another in our industry and encourage all to engage in participation of TCU Ranch Management events and gatherings. This being said, we need your help and attendance for this great opportunity to get together this summer.

Included is information regarding what will be going on this summer for the alumni gathering. There should be a little something for all to be involved in or at least enjoy watching. We would love for everyone to make it, obviously, but if unable to attend and feel moved to make a donation to help further our goals for the weekend, then your donation is much appreciated.

Thank you for taking the time to look over the provided information. If you have any questions or would like to visit with us, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Skyler Flake
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Blocks have been made at each of the following hotels, but space is limited and rooms sell out quickly in the summertime, so don't delay in getting your rooms reserved.

Hampton Inn & Suites Childress
940.937.3500
Discounted from \$140 to \$129/night
<http://hamptoninn3.hilton.com/en/hotels/texas/hampton-inn-and-suites-childress-CLRSSHX/index.html>

Holiday Inn
940.937.0900
Discounted from \$109.95 to \$99.95/night for 2 queen suite and \$97.95 to \$87.95/night for king
https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/childress/chdex/hoteldetail?cm_mmc=GoogleMaps-_-EX-_-USA-_-CHDEX

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Discounted from \$89 to \$71/night
<https://www.choicehotels.com/texas/childress/quality-inn-hotels/tx979?source=gyxt>

Summer Roping/Alumni and Family Summer Gathering June 16th and 17th in Childress, TX! (cont'd)

Overview:

2017 will mark the 31st Annual Summer Gathering of TCU Ranch Management Alumni.

<https://www.facebook.com/TCURMSummerGathering2017/>

Goals:

- Provide fun entertainment and activities for alumni and families
- Encourage active attendance for alumni functions
- Provide the atmosphere and opportunity to network with fellow alumni

Request:

Become a valued partner as a contributing sponsor in our efforts to facilitate this annual celebration.

Please make checks payable to:

NTRM Summer Gathering

2961 Mormon Road

Paducah, TX 79248

Location:

Childress Event Center, Childress, TX

<http://cityofchildress.com/event-center/>

List of Activities:

Friday Night Kick-Off Party

Alumni Team and Calf Roping

Alumni and Family Ranch Rodeo

Golf Tournament

Family Fun

Saturday Night Social, Awards Party, and Dance



If you would like to help or have questions please contact:

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***Summer Roping/Alumni and Family Summer Gathering
June 16th and 17th in Childress, TX!***

Name: _____

Phone and/or Email: _____

Class: _____

For planning purpose *only*:

Do you plan on participating in any of the following and if so, number of people:

_____ Friday Social

_____ Saturday Golf

_____ Calf Roping

_____ Saturday Dinner, Dancing, and Awards

_____ Team Roping

_____ Ranch Rodeo

Comments:

Return this form to:

NTRM Summer Gathering, 2961 Mormon Road, Paducah, TX 79248

Make checks payable to:

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***PLEASE COMPLETE THE
SUMMER ROPING/ALUMNI AND FAMILY
SUMMER GATHERING RSVP FORM
ON THE OTHER SIDE AND RETURN TO:***

**NTRM SUMMER GATHERING
2961 Mormon Road
Paducah, TX 79248**

***DONATIONS MAY ALSO BE SENT
TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS***

Alumni Roundup - January 21, 2017



Mr. Skyer Flake '06 , outgoing alumni president, with Mr. Kerry Cornelius



Dr. Butch Taylor, 2017 Partners Award honoree



Austin Ingram, Class of 2017 Partners Scholarship recipient, with Mr. Kerry Cornelius



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THANK YOU !!!

We are pleased that so many of you take advantage of this form to indicate change of address, marriage, birth, or job.

You are helping us keep up with you and that's what we want to do!



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