

Tuskegee University
Cooperative Extension Program

106th Annual Farmers Conference



"A Tuskegee Tradition Since 1892"

Theme: "Tuskegee University -- Meeting the Needs of
Farmers and Rural Americans in the 21st Century"



Tuskegee University Kellogg Conference Center
Tuskegee, Alabama

February 12-13, 1998

"Tuskegee University--Meeting the Needs of Farmers and Rural Americans in the 21st Century"

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1998

1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. **Annual Pre-Conference Forum** (Meeting Rooms D&E)
Meeting of the Extension Advisory Council
"Sharing the Vision for Entering the 21st Century"
Presiding: Oscar M. Williams, District Agent/Resource Specialist
Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program

George Hall, Chair
Extension Advisory Council

Commentary: Robert Springer, State Executive Director for Alabama &
Acting Executive Director for State Operations
Farm Service Agency
Washington, D.C.

6:00 p.m. **Thomas Monroe Campbell Memorial Banquet** (Ballroom)
Guest Speaker: J. L. Chestnut, Jr.
Senior Law Partner
Chestnut, Sanders, Sanders & Pettaway
Selma, Alabama

Commentary: Keith Kelly, Administrator
Farm Service Agency
Washington, D.C.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1998

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. **Registration** (Conference Registration Desk)

8:30 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. **Opening Session** (Auditorium)
Presiding: Oscar M. Williams, District Agent/Resource Specialist
Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program

Greetings: Thomas S. Harris, Associate Administrator
Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program

8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. **Health Fair** (Continuing Education Foyer & Meeting Room A)

Features

Health Screenings Irene Khan, Chi Eta Phi Epsilon Graduate Nursing Sorority,
and Epsilon Beta Student Nursing Chapter

Pediatric Health Stephanie Mitchell, Division of Nursing, Tuskegee University

Elderly Health Fannie Jenkins, Division of Nursing, Tuskegee University

Sexually Transmitted Diseases Cheryl G. Davis/ Stephen O. Sodeke, Division of Allied Health, Tuskegee University
June Samuel, Counseling Center, Tuskegee University

Environmental Health Edith Powell, Division of Allied Health, Gobena Huluka, College of Agricultural
Environmental and Natural Sciences, Tuskegee University

Farm Safety Marie M. Lyles/Anita Pinkney, Division of Allied Health, Tuskegee University

Animal Health Elizabeth S. Graham/Edward T. Braye, School of Veterinary Medicine, Tuskegee University

Heart Disease: #1 Killer in the Black Belt Counties Habiba N. Shaw, Project Leader for Promoting Individual Health, Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program

9:30 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. **Concurrent Workshop Sessions**

Session 1 (Meeting Rooms F&G) **Agriculture: These workshops will focus on current and emerging economic opportunities available in agricultural enterprises.**

Walk-in Tunnels for Growing Fresh Vegetables During the Winter Months Victor Khan & C. Stevens
G.W. Carver Experiment Station
Tuskegee University

Beef Cattle Production: Natural Mating vs. Artificial Insemination Ralph Noble, Animal Scientist
College of Agricultural, Environmental and Natural Sciences
Tuskegee University

Getting Started in the Poultry Industry Gwen Lewis Gray, Poultry Producer
Bullock County, Alabama

Improved Resource Utilization from Caged Catfish Production Charlie McAlpine, Coordinator
Mid-South R.C. & D. Council

Increasing Income Through the Alabama Meat Goat Industry Wes Hallman, President
Alabama Meat Goat Association

Small Farmer Credit Program and Business Initiatives Miles Robinson & Robert Mants
Small Farm Outreach Training and Technical Assistance Project
Tuskegee University

Session 2 (Auditorium) **Youth & Adult Entrepreneur Partners: This session will feature adult business partners sharing innovative entrepreneurial opportunities with youth and interested adults.**

Entrepreneurial Opportunities Atheal Pierce
Head, Program and Staff Development
Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program

PARADE OF BUSINESSES

Wooley's Business Plaza Clarence Wooley, Owner
C&S Wholesale & Exotic Cars Rozelle Chappell, Jr., President
Maxwell's Alternative Residential Services Harvey Maxwell, Owner
Teen Business Organization Guy Trammell, Jr., Resident Initiative Coordinator
ED's Sandwich and Pizza Shop Ethel Smith, Owner
McCorvey's Farm Operation Sandy McCorvey, Owner
Little Brown's Daycare Center William & Betty Brown, Owners
Computer Concepts Bennie Mayberry, III, Owner
Creative Awards & Tees Sylvester Nicholson, Owner
Calhoun Enterprises Andrew Carlisle, Store Director
Robinson's Drug Store Alphonso Robinson, Pharmacist
Sippial Electric & Construction Co., Inc. Fred Sippial, CEO
Henderson's Accessories & Gifts Paul Henderson II, President
Metropolitan Life Insurance Company Charlie Hardy, Agent

Mid-South Sports Victor A. Khan, III & Jonathan T. Khan
Cynthia's Poetry Cynthia D. Jackson, Poet

THE BUSINESS PLAN Naima Price, Associate Director
Rural Business Program, Tuskegee University

YOUTH LOAN PROGRAM Miles Robinson & Bobby England
Small Farm Outreach Training & Technical Assistance Project, Tuskegee University

LET'S START A BUSINESS Patricia Henderson, Youth Specialist
Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program

Commentators Gloria Jones, Tuskegee Housing Authority and Rory Stephens, Student Life, Tuskegee University

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. **Merit Farm Family Luncheon** (Ballroom)

1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. **Tour & Additional Workshop**
Tour of Walk-in Tunnels (Optimate Farm), Tuskegee, Alabama
Artificial Insemination and Beef Bull Selection (Milbank Agricultural Building Lawn), Tuskegee University



Committees

Velma L. Blackwell, Chairperson

Oscar M. Williams, Vice-Chairperson

Program Committee: N. Baharanyi, W. Baldwin, E. Bonsi, T. Harris, P. Henderson, V. Khan, B.D. Mayberry, M. Robinson

Merit Farm Family: W. Hodge, P. Mount*, R. Noble, R. Zabawa

Conference Escorts: MANRRS, Pre-Vet Club, University Escorts

Transportation: R. Bentley*, W. Buchanan

Printed Materials: R. Bentley, K. Craig*, J. McBride, V. Singleton

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Banquet & Luncheon: E. Bonsi*, L. Green, T. Harris, P. Henderson, E. Hines, B. Jones, B. Mayberry, V. Singleton

Registration: J. Brown, T. Hoffman, J. McBride*, V. Singleton, Y. Wright

Fundraising: L. Black, V. Blackwell, W. Hodge, A. Pierce*

Exhibits: P. Henderson*, W. Hodge

Music:

Evaluation: N. Baharanyi*, E. Boateng, N. Duplessis, A. Foye, A. Kinnel

Agriculture: W. Baldwin, W. Hodge, R. Noble*

Youth Development: P. Henderson*, V. Khan, M. Robinson

Health Fair: M. Lyles, E. Powell*

We would like to express our sincere appreciation to those that made this event possible through their diligent support.



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Rural Business & Economic Development Program

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U.S. Department of Agriculture

Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service

Civil Rights (Luther Burse, Director)

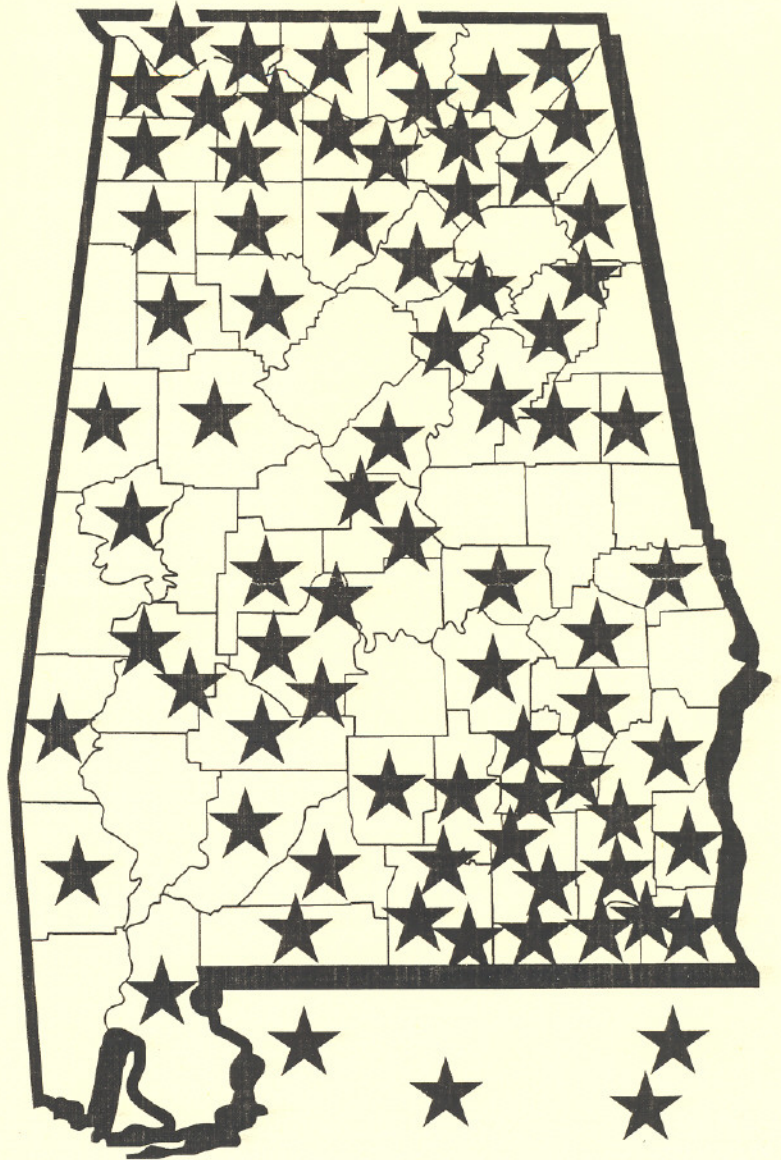
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