



DEWITT COUNTY PRODUCERS

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MAY 2018 NEWSLETTER

In Our Store

- This month, we will accept pet food donations for Pet Adoptions of Cuero. They ask that you bring puppy food, adult dog food, or cat food. You can also purchase the food in store, and let us know that it is for donation.
- We received a new shipment of **Greeting Cards** in the store. All of the old supply has been replaced and refreshed. Price on the greeting cards is **\$2.99 Each**.
- We have a new bucket between the computers on the front counter. This is a **national drawing for Purina's Check-R-Board Days**. You can enter your name to win multiple items including **grand prize (2018 Polaris Ranger)**, **first prize (Trip for 2 to Purina Animal Nutrition Center for a VIP Customer Experience)**, and **second prize (Orion 65QT Cooler)**. Drawing entries will be accepted until December 31, 2018.
- A few weeks ago, Cheyenne decided to move on to her next adventure in life. Once again, we would like to thank her for her years of service and dedication. We have hired Samantha to take her place, and she has taken on the position with full force. Please stop in the store to meet her and wish her well.
- Two months ago, I mentioned that we will be hosting a summer internship through a partnership with Purina. We have hired Breanna Waltman for the position. Breanna is a May 2018 graduate of Stephen F. Austin University with a major in Agriculture. She comes to us with experience in Range Management, Animal Nutrition, and Soil and Plant Analysis. Her goals for this internship will be to host feeding trials, make farm & ranch visits, provide product training, and hold feeding seminars. She will be reaching out to our members, customers, and non-customers to see how she can help educate or provide advice to improve your place.

In the Yard

- We are at the time of year where all the weeds are starting to take off in the yard. Now that we will be having the warmer days, some of the weeds will burn off. For those weeds which hang around, you can use **Bayer Season Long Weed Control Concentrate \$26.50/Quart** or **Fertilome's Weed Out Concentrate \$9.15/Quart**. These products will target broadleaf weeds such as wildflowers and clover. As with any weed killer, remember to use a surfactant. Usage rate on surfactant is $\frac{1}{2}$ OZ/gallon of water.
- It is the time of year where the ants will come to life in the yards. We have a few products available that will help combat them. These products are **Over and Out Ant Control for \$20.95/11.5LB Bag**, **Amdro Fire Ant Yard Treatment Bait for \$20.85/5LB Bag**, and the always popular "smelly stuff" **Surrender \$11.25/1LB Can**.
- As the plants in the garden grow, they will need that additional push to look their best. We have **10-20-10 fertilizer**. This is a replacement for the old blend of 12-24-12. The best recommendation for this blend is 1-2LBS per 100 SQ FT. **Cost for the 10-20-10 is \$15.04/50LB Bag**.

In the Pasture

- We have diligently worked to improve our cedar post suppliers. With this effort, we have reduced the prices on our cedar post. (Examples of these changes is **10FT x 8" Cedar \$44.46/Each**. **7Ftx5" # 1 Select \$9.95/Each**.)
- We have a limited remaining supply of **Sweet Graze III and Sorghum Almun Seed** still available. We would like to get rid of the seed to prevent carry over. Cost on the seed we have remaining is **\$23.50/50LB Bag Sweet Graze**, **\$57.00/50LB Bag Sorghum Almun**. These can be a good option for those who are looking to attract doves in the early fall.

- **Dr. Bade & Jeff Pauler from Pennington Seed** will be available in our store to discuss spring forage and wildlife products. They will discuss Bermuda grass including Cheyenne II Bermuda Grass, Tierra Verde Bermuda Grass and wildlife products from Pennington including Rackmaster Food Plot Seed Mixes for deer and Wingmaster Wildlife Seeds for birds. They will be in store on **Friday, May 18, 2018 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM.**
- With the increasing demand of the **Pastureguard** chemical, we have started carrying it in 1 gallon jugs. We now have it available in three sizes: **Quart \$34.75/Each, Gallon \$114.40/Each, and 2.5 Gallon \$281.03/Each.** Mixing rate on the Pastureguard is 1 quart per acre or 1.3OZ per gallon plus surfactant.

In the Animal Pen

- To make sure we are operating correctly, we have made a decision to change some feed prices. Examples of the changes are: **Purina 20% Cubes \$9.08/50LB Bag, DeWitt Cubes \$9.78/50LB Bag, Purina Ranch Hand Sweet (Beef Builder) \$9.42/50LB Bag, and 3/8 and 1/4 Creep Feed \$8.83/50LB Bag. Bulk Cubes will also adjust to \$0.17/LB.** As a reminder, the 2% cash discount will apply for only cash, check or purchases on accounts. If you pay for your account balance with a credit card the 2% discount will be removed.
- We have started carrying **Horse Treats from Purina** again. We are carrying the **Apple and Oat 3.5LB Bag.** We can special order the other flavors, as requested, or start carrying them if the demand is there. Cost for the treats is **\$4.95/3.5LB Bag.**
- We have started carrying a different wood shaving. We have **Patterson Wood Shaving Medium Flake.** Price on a 6 CUFT Bag is **\$5.80/6 CUFT Bag.**
- Purina has a chance of a lifetime for all you horse lovers. This **Ultimate Purina Experience** gives you the opportunity to tour the home of the Budweiser Clydesdale horses and the Purina Animal Nutrition Center. If you win, you will be able to choose a horse from the Purina Farm and training, train one-on-one or attend a clinic with one of many Purina Ambassadors, or free Purina Horse Feed for one year. **All you need to do is TEXT "Purina" to the number 95323. Once you get the link, complete the form, and you are done. Good luck to all who enter.**

In the Great Outdoors

- We have ordered a few new items from All Seasons Feeders. These are the **600LB Stand & Fill Electric Protein Feeders for \$600.32/Each** and **100LB D.A.M Fish Feeder for \$638.72/Each.** We should have both of these items within the next few weeks.

What we are doing

We are nearing the end of the fertilizer tickets that are on our application list. We will start to focus on weed spray within the next few weeks. Our equipment is still holding up and getting the job done.

What is coming up in our area?

-May 5, 2018 -3:00 PM – 1:00 AM - COLE OHRT BBQ & LIVE MUSIC BENEFIT = Schroeder Hall –Goliad, TX= Gates open at 3:00 PM with BBQ Sausage Plates available. \$20.00 admission includes a meal and entertainment. Events include live and silent auction. For more information, visit their Facebook page or call 361-645-4808.

-May 6, 2018 -3:00 PM – 10:30 AM -1:30 PM - Gruenau Hall Sausage Feast = Gruenau Hall- Yorktown, TX= Old Style German Cooking with plates to go or dine-in, plus sausage for sale. For more information call 361-215-2272.

-May 19, 2018 – 9:00 AM – 12th Annual "ROPE FOR THE KIDS" = San Patricio County Fairgrounds –Sinton, TX = Benefit Team Roping. For more information call 210-508-1223.

-May 28, 2018 – 11:00 AM = DeWitt County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Day Ceremony = DeWitt County Vietnam Veterans Memorial Site–Yorktown, TX. Ceremony is followed by a drawing for the gun raffle.

-May 28, 2018 –CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF MEMORIAL DAY. We will reopen on Tuesday, May 29, 2018 at 7:30 AM.

Manager's Words

This month marks one year since I have started working at DeWitt County Producers. As I reflect back on the past year, I am thankful for the opportunity I have been given and optimistic for the future we have in store.

Thank you for your business,

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