2017 Texas Section Society for Range Management
Annual Meeting

Overcoming Ecological Challenges:
Providing for Long-term Profitability

Wednesday, October 11th
6:00am-8:00am  Board of Directors Meeting (McNease South)
8:30am-11:30pm NRCS/Extension Training (McNease Upstairs A)
8:00am-12:00pm Trade Show Setup (McNease North)
12:00pm-8:00pm Registration (Clarion Lobby)
1:00pm-3:30pm  Opening Session - Technology in Agriculture (McNease Upstairs)
1:00pm-5:00pm  Trade Show (McNease North)
3:30pm-5:00pm  Business Meeting (McNease South)
6:30pm-10:00pm Welcome Mixer and Art Show (Clarion Ballroom)

Thursday, October 12th
6:30am-7:30am  Young Professional’s Breakfast (Pearl on the Concho Sandbar)
8:00am-5:00pm  Trade Show (McNease North)
8:00am-5:00pm  Registration (McNease Lobby)
8:00am-11:30am General Session I (McNease Ballroom A)
8:00am-9:30am  Collegiate Plant ID Contest (Clarion Outside)
  *Plant ID Contest Grading (Clarion Ballroom D)
10:00am-4:00pm  Student Posters on Display (McNease Upstairs)
8:00am-11:00am Membership Plant ID Contest (McNease)
9:30am-10:30am URME Contest (Clarion Ballroom C)
  *URME Contest Scoring (Clarion Ballroom D)
11:30am-1:00pm  Awards Luncheon (McNease Ballroom)
1:00pm-4:30pm  General Session II (McNease Ballroom A)
1:00pm-4:00pm  Student Poster Competition - Judging (McNease Upstairs)
1:30pm-3:30pm  Vino Dipinte, Wine Tasting, and Shopping
1:30pm-5:00pm  Historic Downtown, Shopping
5:30pm-6:30pm  President’s Reception (McNease Lobby)
6:30pm-10:00pm  Awards Banquet and Dance (McNease Ballroom)

Friday, October 13th
6:30am-7:30am  Past President’s Breakfast (Clarion D)
8:00am-12:00pm Technical Tour (Hugh Stone’s Scrub Oak Ranch)
12:00pm-1:00pm  Lunch, Awards and Return to Hotel
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NRCS/Extension Training

Presented by the Samuel Roberts Noble Foundation

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NRCS/Extension Training – McNease Upstairs A
Working Effectively with Landowners

8:30am-9:30pm  Winter Supplementation and Preconditioning Nutrition Considerations (Robert Wells, Noble Foundation)

9:30am-10:00am  Personality Assessment and Training (Brian Hayes, Texas Agrilife Research and Extension; Myriah Johnson and Will Mosely, Noble Foundation)

10:00am-10:15am  Break

10:15am-11:15am  Landowner Needs from NRCS/Extension (Frank Price, Hugh Stone Local Ranchers)

11:30pm-1:00pm  Lunch on your own

Opening Session – McNease Upstairs
Technology in Agriculture

1:00pm-1:45pm  Drone Use in Agriculture (Mike Komp, Noble Foundation)

1:45pm-2:30pm  Integrating Geospatial Technologies for Range Management (Humberto Perotto, Caesar Kleberg Wildlife Institute)

2:30pm-2:45pm  Break

2:45pm-3:30pm  Underground Mapping Using GIS (James Ward, Angelo State University)
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Program Agenda

**Thursday Morning, October 12th**

**General Session I – McNease Ballroom A**

*Moderator – Melony Chandler, Retired NRCS*

8:00am-8:10am Welcome (Corey Owens)
Presentation of Colors (SAPD Honor Guard)
Pledge (Trevor Schwartz, Area II FFA Vice President)
Prayer (Tom Thompson, San Angelo SMD1 City Council)

8:10am-8:15am Welcome to San Angelo (Brenda Gunter, San Angelo Mayor)

8:15am-8:45am A Legislator’s Perspective of TSSRM (Charles Perry, Chair Senate Committee on Agriculture, Water and Rural Affairs)

8:45am-9:00am Student Presentation

9:00am-9:30am Understanding Marketing Strategies of Your Beef Herd: Value Added Programs, Retained Ownership, and Video Marketing (Ryan Moorehouse, JBS Five Rivers)

9:30am-9:45am Student Presentation

9:45am-10:15am Economic Feasibility of Range Improvement Projects: Variable Costs, Fixed Costs, and the Planning for the Unknown (Myriah Johnson, Noble Foundation)

10:15am-10:30am Break

10:30am-10:45am Student Presentation

10:45am-11:15am Drought Management Decisions: Mistakes, Lessons, and Looking Ahead (Cody Scott, Angelo State University)

11:15am-11:30am Student Presentation

11:30am-1:00pm Awards Luncheon – McNease Ballroom

**Thursday Afternoon, October 12th**
General Session II – McNease Ballroom A  
Moderator – Cody Webb, Rocker B Ranch

1:00pm-1:15pm  Student Presentation

1:15pm-1:45pm  Proactive Management Strategies for Endangered and Threatened Species (Manual Deleon, NRCS)

1:45pm-2:00pm  Student Presentation

2:00pm-2:30pm  Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Update (Ellen Brisendine, Editor, Cattleman’s Magazine)

2:30pm-2:45pm  Break

2:45pm-3:15pm  Managing Rangelands for Multiple Products: Livestock, Wildlife, Wind, Water, and Oil (Joe Peterson, UT Lands)

3:15pm-3:30pm  Student Presentation

3:30pm-4:00pm  Environmental Impacts of Oil and Gas Decisions: Think Long-Term Before Signing the Contract (Randy Gill, Discovery Natural Resources)

4:00pm-4:15pm  Student Presentation

5:30pm-6:30pm  President’s Reception – McNease Hallway

6:30pm-10:00pm  Awards Banquet and Dance – McNease Ballroom
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Technical Tour

Friday, October 13th

8:00am-12:00pm  Technical Tour - Hugh Stone Ranch
  57 years of conservation
  Post-fire recovery (Wildcat 2011)
  Neighbors helping neighbors
  Riparian corridor management
Prickly pear herbicide research plots and assessment
Using drones for mapping and herbicide application
Boar Buster hog trap demonstration
Wildlife Management
  Habitat Management
    “How to” Hunting Leases
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*Overcoming Ecological Challenges: Providing for Long-term Profitability*
October 11-13, 2017

McNease Convention Center
501 Rio Concho Dr.
San Angelo, TX  76903

*Early Registration Cutoff – Friday, September 15, 2017*

Registration Fee Includes: Mixer/Social, Awards Luncheon and Banquet
*Please mark all events you plan to attend*

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**Tuesday/Wednesday, October 10-11, 2017**

NRCS/Extension Training Session (Personality Assessment Exam) $59 $59 ______ ______

**Wednesday, October 11, 2017**

Social/Mixer (included in registration) N/C N/C ______ ______
Extra Mixer/Social Ticket $20 $20 ______ ______

**Thursday, October 12, 2017**

Young Professionals Breakfast N/C N/C ______ ______

Awards Luncheon (included in registration) N/C N/C ______ ______
Spouse (included in registration) N/C N/C ______ ______
Extra Awards Luncheon Ticket $20 $20 ______ ______

**Afternoon Tours/Entertainment**

Historic Downtown Tour, Shopping, and Fun $10 $10 ______ ______
Vino Dipinto and Wine Tasting $35 $35 ______ ______
(Limited to first 30 registrants)

Awards Banquet (included in registration) N/C N/C ______ ______
Spouse (included in registration) N/C N/C ______ ______
Extra Awards Banquet Ticket $30 $30 ______ ______

**Friday, October 13, 2017**

Past President’s Breakfast N/C N/C ______ ______
(Past Presidents and Charter Members)

Stone Ranch Tour (Box Lunch Provided) $15 $15 ______ ______
(Limited to first 200 registrants)

Total Amount Enclosed $_________

Please Make Checks Payable to:

TSSRM

**Register and Make Payments Online:  [http://texas.rangelands.org](http://texas.rangelands.org)**
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McNease Convention Center – San Angelo, TX

Hotel Information:

*Host Hotels

Clarion Hotel
441 Rio Concho Dr.
San Angelo, TX 76903
(325)658-2828
Room Rate: $69/night

Pearl on the Concho
333 Rio Concho Dr.
San Angelo, TX 76903
(325)653-4500
Room Rate: $89/night

Ask for TSSRM Room Block

**Pearl on the Concho features indoor atrium with pool, putt-putt, and game room and is the preferred hotel for college students and young professionals**

Room Blocks End September 19, 2017

Registrations postmarked after September 15, 2017 must pay late registration price.

Name: ______________________ Spouse’s Name: ______________________

Address: __________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip: ___________________________________________________

Phone Number: ______________________ Email: ______________________

Occupation/Job Title: _______________________________________________

Employer: _________________________________________________________

Refund Requests must be received by September 29, 2017. No refunds will be made after this date.

Return Registration Forms and Checks made payable to TSSRM to:

TSSRM Registration
Attn: Lee A. Knox
361 Foothill Road
Abilene, TX 79602

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or Dandy Kothmann (325)212-8944.