There will be two meetings available to Wayne County Grain Farmers on Thursday, January 19th. The first meeting will be a Price Risk Management Series offered by Nick Lassiter from NC Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services which runs from 3 till 5:30pm. Topics that be covered include: Introduction to Grain Hedging, Basis Trading, Cost of Carry, Cotton Futures, Option Trading on Futures and Equities, and macro forces impacting the hedger. Energy derivatives, traded at the CME/NYMEX, will be explained as well as trading strategies to manage your exposure to energy. Please call us at 731-1521 to register for this workshop.

There will be a sponsored meal at 6 pm followed by the Grain Production meeting. This years program will put emphasis on Grain sorghum has potential for our area. Speakers for the Grain Meeting include Dr. Wes Everman who will discuss weed control options in field crops. Dr. Ron Heiniger will discuss corn production and Don Nicholson will discuss Grain Sorghum production in eastern North Carolina. All three speakers have worked closely with grain sorghum and will be available to discuss production. Please call 731-1521 to help us plan for the meal.

**Agenda for January 19th Meetings—Wayne Center**

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You do not have to have to attend both meetings, the choice is yours. Please call us at 731-1521 so we can plan for the meal and programs.
Wayne County Wheat Yield Contest Winners

1st—Matt Sanderson Shirley 119.01 bushels/acre
2nd—Harrell Overman Coker Oats 108.74 bushels/acre
3rd—Steve Hooks Southern States 8302 104.92 bushels/acre

Wayne County Cotton Meeting

Mark your calendars. The Wayne County Cotton meeting will be held Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 6 pm at the Wilber’s BBQ. The program will include Dr. Alan York who will discuss weed control options in Cotton and Soybeans. Dr. Keith Edmisten will discuss varieties and agronomic issues. Dr. Jack Bacheler will discuss the latest information on insect control. There will be a sponsored meal provided. Please call 731-1521 by February 2, 2012 so we can make arrangements for the meal.

Area Peanut Meeting Scheduled

The Area Peanut meeting for Wayne, Wilson, Johnston, Harnett and Greene counties will be held Monday, February 27, 2012 at West Farms Shop on Highway 222 in Fremont, NC at 12 noon.

The program will include Dr. David Jordan, NCSU Peanut Specialist, who will discuss varieties and agronomic issues. Dr. Barbara Shew, NCSU Peanut Pathologist, will be discussing disease control. A sponsored meal will be provided. Please call 731-1521 by February 20, 2012 to reserve your spot.

Stop by the Extension office at 208 West Chestnut Street, Goldsboro, NC to pick up your free vehicle sticker to show your support for agriculture in Wayne County!

Other “We Dig It!” merchandise available:
Coffee Cups—$5.00 each
Hats—$10.00 each
T-Shirts—$12.00 each (Large & XX Large available only)
License Plates—$5.00

*Make checks payable to County of Wayne
Upcoming Events:

- January 12-13, 2012, Joint Grain Conference, Sheraton Imperial Hotel, Durham, NC
- January 19, 2012, Private Pesticide License Exam, Extension Office—Room 105, 1:00 p.m., call 731-1521 to register
- January 19, 2012, Grain Production meeting, Wayne Center, 3:30 p.m., call 731-1521 to register
- February 1-3, 2012, Southern Farm Show, NC State Fairgrounds, Raleigh, NC
- February 9, 2012, Cotton Meeting, Wayne Center 6:00 p.m., call 731-1521 to register
- February 27, 2012, Area Peanut Meeting, West Farms Shop, Highway 222, Fremont, NC, 12:00 noon, call 731-1521 to register

Do You Need A Private Pesticide License?

NCDA will administer the private pesticide license exam on January 19, 2012 at the Extension office in Room 105 at 1:00 p.m. Exam registration is required. Call NCDA Pesticide Section at 919-733-3556 to register for the exam. This will be for the exam only, recertification classes will be offered later in the year and you will receive information on those once the classes are scheduled.
Electronic News Alerts

We are currently gathering e-mail addresses from growers and agribusinesses through the county. This will allow us to send you important information very fast. If you would like to be added to this list please e-mail me at Kevin.Johnson@waynegov.com and let me know. In the subject line just put Add to Newsletter.

Yield Reports Enclosed:

- 2011 Wayne County Soybean Variety Yield Report
- 2011 Wayne County Cotton Test Yield Report
- 2011 Multi-County Corn Variety Yield Report
- 2011 Multi-Location NC Official Tobacco Variety Test, combined 1 year results
- 2011 NC Official Tobacco Variety Test, 3-year average 2009-2011

**Photo Contest**

The Wayne County Farmers Association is sponsoring a photo contest to collect photos of agriculture production or an agriculture scene. There will be awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. Please submit your photos by email to Kevin.Johnson@waynegov.com or mail to:

NCCES—Wayne County Center
Attention: Kevin Johnson
P. O. Box 68
Goldsboro, NC 27533-0068

Photos submitted will be used in the 2011 Wayne County Agriculture Highlights Video.

I am pleased to be able to provide you this educational information.

Kevin E. Johnson
County Extension Director