February 2, 2011

TO:       CCCA Members
FROM:     Greg Traywick, CCCA Secretary
RE:       2011 Summer Tour - Tentative Agenda

Plans are already being made for the Cleveland County Cattlemen’s Association annual summer tour, set for **August 6th-12th, 2011**. The trip features travel to Nashville, TN, dinner at The Loveless Cafē and tickets to the Grand Ole Opera on Saturday night.

The group will spend 6 nights in Hendersonville, TN (about 25 miles north of Nashville). Featured stops will include:

- A large tractor and farm equipment museum with over 100 John Deere antique tractors. Some are very rare and the owner has been offered 6 figures from John Deere but won’t sell.
- The largest mule farm in the US – third generation family-owned.
- A Red Angus farm with they do embryo transfers and ultrasound.
- A feed company where they also have a very large cow/calf operation.
- A tobacco farm that has been converted in to a state of the art winery.
- Sale barn in Guthrie, KY where there will be between 2,000 and 2,500 head with graded calves.
- A beef alliance program in Barrand, KY where producers collectively market cattle, wean calves, and have feed lots.
- One of the nation’s largest tobacco processors and buyers.
- University of Tennessee’s Highland Rim Research Center which has a state of the art beef research program and cattle watering systems.
- A large stocker operation – grass fed beef, too.
- Cow/calf producer with a large tobacco farm too. They have about 1500 head.
- A purebred Longhorn farm in Sumner County that holds the world record for length of horns.
- Several dairy farms still family owned and operated.
- Some stops at historic sites such as Cragfont (known as the Mount Vernon of TN), and the former home of General James Winchester who was one of General George Washington’s closest friends. See an oil painting of Washington that is only one of two that exist in the world (the other hangs in the east wing of the White House).
- Go dancing and enjoy dinner and live music at the Long Hollow Jamboree.
- Other unique dinner options which will include the Hancock House which is an 18th Century log cabin and stage coach stop converted in to a bed & breakfast and restaurant.

Price is $830.00 per person double occupancy, and includes motor coach, motel rooms, Grand Ole Opera admission, continual breakfast, 6 lunches, and 3 dinners.

A **$200 per person deposit is due April, 25, 2011**. Mail your deposit to: Richard Hord, 1016 E Sanders Road, Shelby, NC 28150 (phone 704-482-9628).