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Annual Beaumont Field Day Set for July 9

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BEAUMONT – This year marks the 100th anniversary of the Texas AgriLife Research and Extension Center at Beaumont. In recognition of this event, “100 Years … and Beyond!” will be the theme of the Center’s 62nd Annual Field Day, which will be held at the Center located at 1509 Aggie Drive, west of Beaumont.

The event begins with a morning field tour at 8 a.m. The morning program begins at 10:45 a.m., with afternoon field tours beginning at 1 p.m.

The morning field tour stops will provide updates on developments in rice breeding and molecular genetics, rice physiology and fertility, and rice insect and disease management.

The morning program will start with Dr. Ted Wilson, Center Director, giving an overview of the Center’s research.

Drs. Garry McCauley and M. O. Way will be the keynote speakers. Garry will provide an historic overview of rice agronomic and weed management over the past 100 years and will present a prediction of rice production and management systems into the future. Mo will similarly provide an historic overview and prediction of future directions for rice insect and disease management.

The afternoon tour will provide an overview of Center research on bioenergy crops, organic rice, and soybean production.

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