

Class teaches new herding methods

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Ever wonder what a cow is really thinking? You're not alone.

It's because of that curiosity that researchers have been trying to figure out just what makes a cow behave the way they do — something that is being applied in Warm Springs.

A livestock herding class took place from June 26 to June 28, teaching people a different way to take care of their cattle.

Bill Reynolds, an employee of the Department of Natural Resources, said the class aimed to give people a new methods of herding.

The class, taught by Guy Glosson, a ranch manager from Texas and certified educator of Holistic Management, focused on the low-impact man-

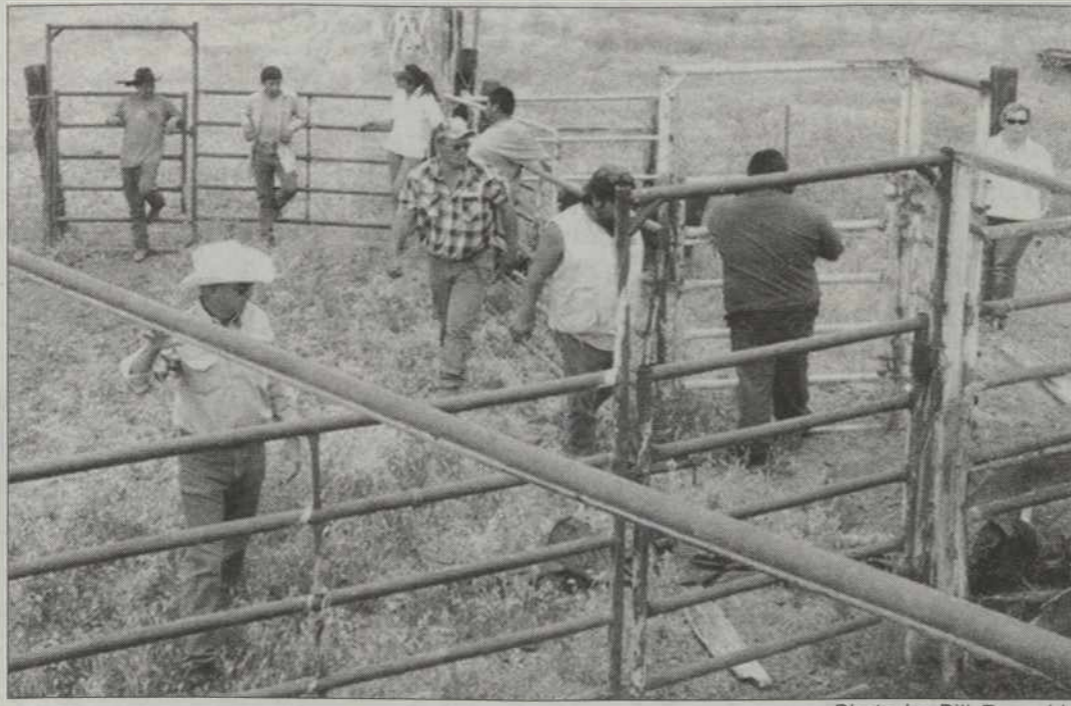


Photo by Bill Reynolds

Texas rancher Guy Glosson (front) taught the herding class.

agement of cattle. Specifically, the class focused on herding in a way that is less stressful for the cattle.

For one, he said, it showed them how to spend more time with the cattle instead of just turning them out to pas-

ture as was traditionally done in the past. When that happens, Reynolds said, the cattle are only brought back in for branding or to go to slaughter, giving it a negative and stressful implication.

Reynolds said that students involved with 4-H attended the class to learn about ways to work with the cattle that they've purchased.

"It's a good tool right now for training those youth that have an interest in agriculture," Reynolds said.

In the past, Reynolds said, tribal members all worked together when it came to raising cattle, and they spent time with the animals. In today's society, he added, "We don't really have that kind of time."

"We've lost those skills where you worked with your animals," Reynolds said.

Kids rodeo continues

The Squiemphen-Yazzie Kids Rodeo Series continues on Sunday, August 13, starting at 1 p.m. at the Warm Springs rodeo grounds.

Books open Tuesday, August 8. Entries will be taken until the day of the rodeo, books closing at 11 a.m.

Events include barrels (12-15 years, and 11 years and under); dummy riding (6 years and under, 8 years and under, 14 and under); stick horse race (6 years and under, and 8 years and under); steer riding (12 to 15 years old, limit of 25 riders); wild colt race (at least one girl per team, 15 and under, limit of eight); and calf riding (11 years and under, limit of 25 riders).

Admission \$2. Kids 6 and under free. For more information contact Priscilla Yazzie at 553-5817.

No new personal loan requests at Tribal Credit through Aug. 18

Due to a back log of current loan applications, Tribal Credit will not be accepting new personal loan requests from through August 18, 2006. Tribal Credit will review status and may accept personal loan applications begin-

ning August 21, 2006, if Credit gets caught up by that time.

Credit will accept applications for funeral loans, medical emergencies and home loans during this time. Thank you.

Next deadline to submit items to the Spilyay is Friday, July 28.



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Lloyd Phillips, Clyde Stryker and Arlissa Rhoan accepted a check July 13 for a Rural Business Enterprise Grant totaling nearly \$100,000. The grant was presented to Eagle Tech Systems by Jeff Deiss, business and cooperative program director the United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development. Phillips, head of Eagle Tech systems, said the grant will be used in part to aid in local development, for instance to fund training for local small business owners. The grant will also provide funding for 20 students to work with Eagle Tech Systems next summer and for government contracting. Currently Eagle Tech Systems employees are working to develop a local center where community members can get Internet access as well as technology training.

Culture camp in August

The 4-H Culture Camp is coming up in August.

As a reminder to parents: The deadline to register your child to attend the camp is August 4.

There will be up to 50 campers at the 4-H Culture Camp, to be held at Peter's Pasture.

The camp is open to youth who have completed fourth through sixth grade. There is a \$25 registration fee. There are not any scholarship funds this year.

Also, if you know of anyone who wants to make some extra money this summer, the 4-H Culture Camp is in need of people to be counselors or teachers.

There is also a need for a boys' sweathouse leader, and a sweathouse leader for the girls.

You can stop by the 4-H office in the Education Building for an application. Or if want more information, please call 553-3238.

Hunter safety classes offered this month

Hunter safety class will start on July 25, 27 and August 1-4, 2006. Sign up at Natural Resources or call

553-2002. Class size is 20 students, ages 14-17 years old. Place and time will be posted at a later date.



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