



# Farm News



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## December 2007

### **2008 Tuition:**

Tuition bills will be sent out in December. They will be due in December or January.

### **Office Hour:**

I will try and be in the office from 7:45 am till 8:15 am, every day except on the days when I have a marketing club meeting. If I am not in the office, please leave a message and I will get back to you as soon as possible. Also, the school plans on being open on a very limited basis the week of Christmas. This may mean the outside door to the building may be locked. Please call if you plan on stopping by that week.

### **Marketing Club Meetings:**

Tuesday, December 18, 8:00 am, Pat's - Wednesday, December 19, 8:00 am, City Centre Café Mooreton  
**If school in Wahp or Breck is cancelled or late,** the marketing meeting is cancelled.

### **Crop Disaster Program:**

Sign-up has begun for producers that incurred qualifying losses in 2005 and 2006. You must choose only one year to apply for benefits. Payment rate is set at 42% of the established crop insurance price. Contact the FSA County Office for more details.

### **Managing the Poor Land:**

With the high cost of inputs, a farmer will have to put more management time into his poor land to maximize his income and minimize his costs. Some examples of how to manage this ground would be not fertilizing the alkali acres, changing to a bean variety that has a better chance of producing a crop or raising a crop like barley that is somewhat tolerate to the soil type.

**Richland County Ag Day will be January 11, 2008 @ 9:00 am, in Mantador.**

*Wishing all of you a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!*

