

# BIG Recertification Program WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8TH



**Blackland Income Growth**

B.I.G. is an open organization and as such, cordially invites and welcomes the full support of all persons having a personal interest in the general wellbeing of the agricultural and agribusiness economy of the area. Educational programs conducted by B.I.G. serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin. An area-wide mailing list will be maintained on a current basis. Those persons supporting B.I.G. goals and objectives should submit their names to be advised of B.I.G. area-wide activities and program efforts.

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The Blackland Income Growth awards twelve scholarships to outstanding 4-H members in Blackland counties. There are ten \$1,000 scholarships and two \$1,500 scholarships that are presented at the annual B.I.G. luncheon.

**Tuesday**  
**January**  
**7th**  
**8:00 am**  
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**6:30 pm**



**Wednesday**  
**January**  
**8th**  
**8:00 am**  
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**4:00 pm**

The Greater Waco Chamber of Commerce's MidTex Show offers exhibitors a first rate forum to present their products and services to an expected attendance of more than 2,000 Central Texas farmers and ranchers. Visitors to the MidTex Farm & Ranch Show, presented by United Ag Turf, will have the opportunity to view top exhibits of the newest farm and ranch equipment, seed, chemicals, and ag-related services and technologies.

A2 - Classroom 2  
5 CEUs - 2 L&R, 2 IPM, and 1 Drift

**8:00 - 9:00**

### Hessian Fly Update

Tyler Mays, IPM Agent - Hill /McLennan County  
TAMU Agrilife Extension Service

**9:05 - 10:05**

### Drift Minimization

Floyd Ingram - County Agent, Bell County  
Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service

**10:05 - 10:25**

**BREAK**

**10:30 - 11:30**

### Aquatic Plant Management

Steven Bardin - Fisheries Biologist  
Texas Pro Lake Management

**11:30 - 12:20**

**\*\*\*LUNCH\*\*\***

**12:20 - 1:20**

### General Laws and Regulations

Dr. Don Renchie - Professor, Program Leader &  
Pesticide Safety Education Coordinator  
TAMU AgriLife Extension Service

**1:25 - 2:25**

### Auxin Update/Training

Dr. Scott Nolte - Assistant Professor and  
Extension Weed Specialist  
TAMU AgriLife Extension Service

RSVP by calling McLennan County Extension  
(254) 757-5180

**Registration is \$65**

Make checks payable to  
McLennan County Master Gardeners

**Private Applicator Training**

A1 - Classroom 1

\$75

8:00 - 11:45

Preregister at (254) 582-4022

# 63rd Blackland Income Growth Conference January 7 - 8, 2025

**BASE at Extraco Events Center**  
**4601 Bosque Blvd**  
**Waco, TX 76710**

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