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## Peanut farmer meeting to host multiple industry experts

South Texas Peanut Growers to hold annual meeting alongside
National Peanut Board and Texas Peanut Producers Board

**PEARSALL, Texas (April 2, 2013)** – Peanut farmers from across South Texas are invited to join the South Texas Peanut Growers at their annual meeting, sponsored this year by the <u>National Peanut Board</u> and the <u>Texas Peanut Producers Board</u>, on April 9, 2013, at the <u>First Baptist Church in Pearsall, Texas</u>. Registration for this <u>FREE</u> event will begin at 5:30 p.m. with the formal program starting at 6 p.m.

TPPB Executive Director Shelly Nutt encourages farmers from across the region to attend this unique gathering of several organizations that work on behalf of Texas growers on a daily basis.

"This is a perfect opportunity for farmers to learn about industry news, research, and visit with members of all these boards to gain valuable insight on the current state of the peanut industry and where it's going," Nutt said.

The meeting will include a meal and presentations from several industry leaders, including:

- TPPB Update Chairman Larry Don Womack of DeLeon
- NPB Update President and CEO Bob Parker
- Peanut Variety Survey & Update on Premature Senescence of Whiteflies Mark Black,
   Ph.D., <u>Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service</u> Plant Pathologist
- Weed Control and Resistance Issues James Grichar, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service Assistant Research Scientist
- Peanut Breeding and Testing Results Michael Baring, Ph.D., <u>Texas A&M AgriLife</u> Research Assistant Research Scientist
- Variety Performance and Management Considerations for Peanut Production 2013 –
   Jason Woodward, Ph.D., Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service State Peanut Specialist

The event is being held following both the NPB and TPPB's board meetings in San Antonio, Texas, April 8-9.

"It's good for both our state and national boards to have the opportunity to visit with producers at events like this one," Nutt said. "It gives farmers the opportunity to visit with their producer leaders with these organizations, while also enabling us to share what the checkoff programs are doing at local and national levels."

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