

# Bernie and Cheryl Pryor

## 2011 NC Environmental Stewardship

Caswell County

“Preserving The Past, Embracing The  
Future”



# Farming Business Profile

- Own and Operated by Bernie and Cheryl Pryor
- Family Farm For Over Eighty-Five Years
- Cheryl Worked At A Large Animal Hospital For Seventeen Years
- Cheryl Ran The Farm From 1995-2005 While Bernie Worked Out Of Town
- 75 Cow-Calf Herd
- Grow Crops For Supplemental Feeds

# Farming Business Profile (con't.)

- Primary Grass Is Fescue Inter-seeded With Ladino Clovers (Some Crabgrass, Dallasgrass, and Ryegrass)
- Direct Marketing Pastured-Based Finish Steers And Hogs
- A.I. Cattle, Hog Genetics From Mid-West
- Actively Involved In Caswell County Cattlemen's Association, NC Farm Bureau, Southern States Board of Directors, Piedmont Local Foods Cooperative

# Water Conservation



# Improve Cattle Herd Health With Quality Drinking Water



# Fencing livestock from ponds and streams with NRCS Cost-Share Funds

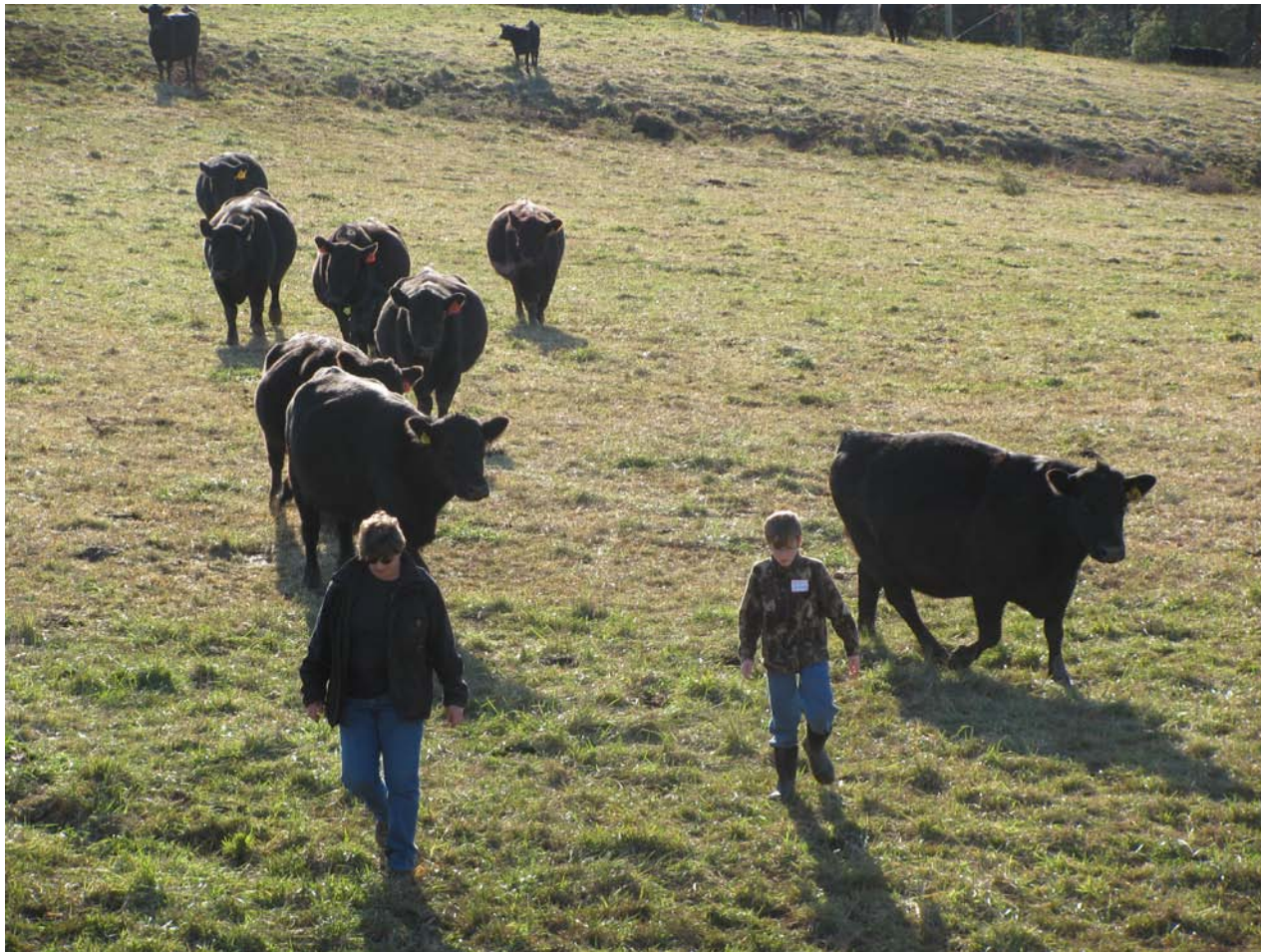




# Improving Water Quality in the Cape Fear Watershed Basin



# Cheryl and Travis leading cattle to new pasture area





# Riparian Buffers Installed and Fencing Out Wooded Areas



# Bernie explaining the benefits of strip grazing with stockpile fescue



# Using Electric Polywire for Strip Grazing





# Bernie moving strip grazing fence for stockpile fescue research





# Proper Hay Storage



# Summary

- Continual Efforts In Improving Water Quality And Preventing Soil Erosion
- Promote Agriculture To Youth For New Generation Of Farmers
- Continual Collaboration And Networking Efforts With The North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service, Natural Resource Conservation Service, North Carolina Cattlemen's Association, State-Wide Food Cooperatives, etc.
- Educating The Consumers On Environmental Stewardship