Research center holds field day

The Western Triangle Agricultural Research Center (WTARC) held an Ag field day on Friday and well over 100 area producers attended.

Superintendent of the WTARC, Dr. Gudii V.P. Reddy opened the session with a short welcome and then the Ag producers headed to the research fields for presentations.

Almost in bullet fashion, 12 specialists gave a quick 15-minute briefing on a wide variety of Ag topics.

Dr. Chengui Chen from Sidney touched on Pulse Crop Variety Adaptation. He was followed by Kefylow Desta from the MSU-Ag station in Havre. He talked of ways to improve in-season nitrogen management in wheat.

Dr. Phil Bruckner talked about Winter Wheat varieties for north Conrad area. He is from MSU-Bozeman.

Dr. John Miller of the WTARC presented an update on Durum Wheat.

Dr. Luther Talbert touched on Spring Wheat Variety Evaluations and new variety development.

Dr. Jamie Sherman, also from MSU-Bozeman talked about barley improvement in Montana.

Dr. David Weaver, a professor of Entomology at MSU-Bozeman presented an update of the management of Wheat Stem Fly.

Dr. Hector Carcamo, a research scientist from Lethbridge, reported on PIM pea and canola insects.

Dr. Brian Thompson from the WTARC talked about Orange Wheat Blossom Midge monitoring and Biocontrol.

Dr. Stefan Jaronski a research Entomologist from Sidney talked about insect pathogens.

Dr. Prashant Ria from the research center, MSU, Huntley, gave a presentation on Management of Glyphosate-Resistant Kochia in the Golden Triangle, Dr. Mary Burrows, an extension agent Plant Pathologist at MSU-Bozeman, spoke on Disease Management for Cereals and Pulse Crops.

Refreshments were provided by Central Crop Consulting and Stockman Bank provided a lunch.