JERRY'S FINAL COMMENTS

Congratulations to ANR Extension Retirees. Please join me in thanking the following individuals for their career contributions and dedicated service to Iowa State University Extension as they prepare to retire on January 31. We wish each retiree the best as they transition to the next chapter in their life.

- Darrell Busby, Extension Beef Specialist
- George Cummins, Extension Field Agronomist
- Dennis DeWitt, Extension Beef Specialist
- Eldon Everhart, Extension Horticulturist
- Roger Ginder, Professor and Extension Agribusiness Management Specialist
- Larry McMillen, Extension Swine Specialist
- Daryl Strohbehn, Professor and Extension Beef Specialist
- Henry Taber, Professor and Extension Horticulturist, Vegetables (Retirement Effective February 28)
- Dale Thoreson, Extension Beef and Dairy Specialist

Welcome New Extension Dairy Specialist. Jennifer Bentley joined ANR Extension as Field Dairy Specialist on January 1, 2010. She is located at the Winneshiek County Extension Office. Jennifer was previously employed by the Iowa Agriculture and Home Economics Experiment Station and assigned to the Northeast Iowa Community Based Dairy Foundation at Calmar. As an experiment station employee Jennifer served as the Ag Research Technician and Calf Manager, a position she held since 2002. Jennifer brings a wealth of experience to her new assignment. Join me in welcoming Jennifer to ISU Extension.

Congratulations to John Lawrence. Dr. John Lawrence, Professor of Economics and Extension Economist and Director of the Iowa Beef Center assumes the position of Associate Dean for Extension Programs and Outreach, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and Director, Agriculture and Natural Resources Extension, on February 1, 2010. Join me in extending your congratulations and welcome to Dr. Lawrence.

Center Director Appointed. Dr. Dan Loy, Professor of Animal Science and Extension Beef Specialist accepted the appointment as interim Director, Iowa Beef Center, effective February 1, 2010. Congratulations Dan!

Thank You. Please accept my personal "thank you" for your contributions to the ANR Extension team. It has been my honor to serve as the Director of ANR Extension since July 2004.
Collectively, we have enjoyed many successes in planning, developing and delivering Extension educational programs for citizens involved in Iowa agriculture. These successes were accomplished because of each of your individual efforts. Thank you for a job well done! I am confident that you will help ANR Extension continue to have quality educational programming that meets the needs of Iowa agriculture. Best wishes!

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