# Boots in the Barn

**Cow Herd Basics for Women**

## Registration

Register by February 6

- **Online:** [https://go.iastate.edu/BOOTSINTHEBARN](https://go.iastate.edu/BOOTSINTHEBARN)
- **Or mail to Delaware County Extension**
  - PO Box 336 Manchester, Iowa 52057

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**Registration Fee $30**

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## Details

**Feb. 13, 20, 27 & Mar. 12, 2024**

**Dairy Basics 1:00-3:00 pm**

- with Dairy Specialist, Jennifer Bentley,
  - jbentley@iastate.edu

**Beef Basics 6:30-8:30 pm**

- with Beef Specialist, Denise Schwab,
  - dschwab@iastate.edu

**Location:** Woods Edge Golf Course

- 504 W Union St., Edgewood
- (Feb. 20 - Edgewood Vet Clinic
  - 2078 IA-3, Edgewood)

**Need a different location?** Similar program will be offered in Decorah on Thursdays, please call Winneshiek Extension office for more details. 563-382-2949

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**Delaware County**

- 1417 N Franklin St, Manchester, Iowa 52057
  - [www.extension.iastate.edu/delaware/](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/delaware/)
  - Phone: 563-927-4201
Forage & Feeding Management
Dairy Herd Basics 1:00-3:00 pm
Dr. Gail Carpenter, State Dairy Specialist, Shelby Gruss, State Forage Specialist, and Jessi Lansing, nutritionist with Agri-King, will demonstrate and discuss selection, forage management tools, and best management practices for feeding high quality forage to the lactating dairy cow.

Beef Herd Basics 6:30-8:30 pm
Dr. Gail Carpenter, Shelby Gruss, and Jessi Lansing will join Denise Schwab, Beef Specialist, as they demonstrate and discuss selection, forage management tools, and best management practices for feeding high quality forage to the beef cow herd.

*participants are encouraged to bring their own forage samples, TMRs for analysis and discussion.

Understanding Calf Health with Necropsy
Dairy Herd Basics 1:00-3:00 pm
Dr. Jardon, Extension Dairy Veterinarian, will lead participants through a calf necropsy to discover physiology of the lungs, rumen development, and other calf health issues.

Beef Herd Basics 6:30-8:30 pm
Dr. Jardon will lead similar topics with an emphasis on beef calf health.

*both sessions will include Dr. Sami Kemp or Dr. Ashley Vander Hart as they join the discussion and provide topics on dairy and beef health care.

Calving Simulator
Dairy Herd Basics 1:00-3:00 pm
Dr. Caitlin Wiley, ISU College of Vet Medicine, will lead this hands-on session with “Butterscotch”, focusing on troubleshooting dystocia. Jennifer Bentley, dairy specialist, will discuss colostrum management.

Beef Herd Basics 6:30-8:30 pm
Dr. Caitlin Wiley, will lead hands-on session with emphasis on cow-calf operations. Randie Culbertson, State Beef Specialist, will discuss calving distribution.

Transition the Farm & Networking with Charcuterie
Dairy Herd Basics 1:00-3:00 pm
Kitt Tovar Jensen, Attorney at the ISU Center for Agricultural Law and Taxation, will help build confidence and leadership around family transition. She will provide resources and ways to initiate dairy farm family discussions. Participants will also network with fellow dairy women as they learn to build their own charcuterie boards, led by local businesses.

Beef Herd Basics 6:30-8:30 pm
Kitt will lead similar discussion with an emphasis on building confidence and leadership on beef family farms. Participants will also network with fellow beef women as they learn to build their own charcuterie boards, led by local businesses.

“I calve out 200 cows a year, but I learned so much from this program!”

Join us to learn with women just like you! All sessions are planned for women working on or managing dairy or beef cow herds with lots of hands-on and discussion opportunities.