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from Van Buren County

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CATTLE IN THE GREEN

Financially analyze your livestock/farm operation in a different way, to find more profit, eliminate money pits, and lower your stress level.

This course was developed from a week-long professional development school Patrick Wall attended in Colorado. Just by making a few simple management changes the operation was able to eliminate the operating note and enhance the profitability of the cow calf enterprise.

This is a 5-meeting program, these meetings build on each other so all 5 meetings must be attended. These meetings will be night meetings, February 24th, March 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Robert's Memorial Building. Because of the evening time, a light meal will be served.

This course is the result of a \$3,000 investment in professional development by the Iowa Beef Center. To get it off the ground, Patrick decided to offer it in 2021 for just the printing costs of the materials, or \$50 per person. Van Buren County Extension is offering scholarships to the first 10 Van Buren County residents who register and attend all 5 workshops. Upon completion, the \$50 registration fee will be reimbursed. Registration is required by February 19th by calling the Van Buren County Extension office at 319-293-3039 or email Nancy Carr at nancarr@iastate.edu.

Bee Class Offered



Van Buren County Extension will be hosting a beekeeping class held at the Robert's Memorial Building, Highway 1 North, Keosauqua on Saturday, February 27th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with a one-hour lunch break (lunch will not be provided). Pre-registration is required with a \$5 fee, payable at the door. There is a registration limit. If you plan to attend this class, please call the Van Buren County Extension office at 319-293-3039.

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VIRTUAL FARM BILL MEETINGS

The next sign-up deadline for ARC/PLC is March 15, 2021. The following webinar series is free and open to all regardless of their county of operation. Examples used in regional sessions will focus on that area of the state with the regional Farm Management Field Specialist as the speaker.

Register here <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/info/farbill.html>

Feb 5, 2021 1:00 pm | Ag Decision Maker Tools and Program Analysis | Alejandro Plastina

Feb 9, 2021 1:00 pm | East Central Iowa Decisions | Ryan Drollette

Feb 10, 2021 1:00 pm | Central Iowa Decisions | Patrick Hatting

Feb 16, 2021 1:00 pm | West Central Iowa Decisions | Tim Christensen

Feb 17, 2021 10:00 am | North Central Iowa Decisions | Kelvin Leibold

Feb 17, 2021 1:00 pm | Northeast Iowa Decisions | Melissa O'Rourke

Feb 18, 2021 10:00 am | Northwest Iowa Decisions | Gary Wright

Feb 18, 2021 1:00 pm | Southwest Iowa Decisions | Tim Christensen

Feb 19, 2021 1:00 pm | Southeast Iowa Decisions | Charles Brown



Check out the new

Ag Decision Maker Website

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/>

HOTLINES

Iowa Concern: 1-800-447-1985, offers 24/7 free assistance and referral for stress counseling, legal education, and financial concerns. The program began in 1985 as a toll-free number serving the agricultural community.

Today, the Iowa Concern hotline serves urban as well as rural Iowa.

Go to <https://www.extension.iastate.edu/iowaconcern/>

Your Life Iowa: Call 1-855-581-8111 or text 1-855-895-8398. This Iowa Department of Public Health created hotline is available so Iowans can chat live, text, or call and get reliable information and treatment options, and find nearby help. Also provides website to locate state recognized community mental health center and substance use treatment centers at

<https://yourlifeiowa.org/finder>

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