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Automatic Milking System Tours at 9 Location in Northeast and Eastern Iowa

Each tour is open to the public, no preregistration is required.

Oct. 23 near Monona and Elgin

Nov. 5 near Westgate and Clarksville

Nov. 13 near Epworth and Colesburg

Nov. 14 near Bernard, Dubuque and Peosta

For details about farm hosts, times, locations and directions, go to: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/news/tours-automatic-milking-systems-feature-precision-management

For more information, contact extension dairy specialist Jenn Bentley at jbentley@iastate.edu or 563-382-2949 or extension dairy specialist Larry Tranel at 563-563-583-6496 or  tranel@iastate.edu
Oct. 24, The 32nd Annual Tri-State Agricultural Lender’s Seminar, Dubuque
9:00 AM to 2:30 PM at the Best Western Plus, 3100 Dodge Street, Dubuque. Registration at 9:00. Program agenda includes: 9:30 Dairy Marketing and Risk Management Update (Dr. Robert Cropp, Dairy Marketing Specialist, UW Professor Emeritus); 10:15 The Farm Bill and Implications for Lenders (Dr. Joe Outlaw, Professor and Extension Economist, Co-Director, Ag and Food Policy, Texas A&M University); 11:10 Understanding Farm Stress and How to Help (Dr. John Shutske, Extension Farm Safety Specialist, UW-Extension); 12:50 Ag Decision Maker—A Useful Tool (Ann Johanns, Extension Program Specialist, ISU Extension); 1:30 Land, Grain & Livestock—Marketing and Risk Management (Dr. Chad Hart, Grain Marketing Specialist, ISU Extension). For more information, see the attached document. The cost of the program is $100. Please register with Dubuque County Extension at 563-583-6496 or email lklatt@iastate.edu or tranel@iastate.edu for registration information. Directions: The Best Western Plus, 3100 Dodge Street, is right off Highway 20 on the west side of Dubuque between Theisen’s and Cedar Cross Road.

Oct. 30, Pasture-Walk, Vance & Olaf Haugen Farm, Canton, MN
10:30 AM start at 12620 Deer Rd., Canton, MN. Discuss late fall/early winter paddock planning for dairy grazing. Kura Clover production for seed. Guest speaker is Bonnie Haugen of DGA on “How the importance of soil health for pastures affects feeding our cows, and consequently our profitability. Improving soil health ideas.” Directions from Decorah IA, take Hwy 52 north about 17 miles to the intersection of Hwy 44 & 52, go through the intersection onto Dove Rd., go 0.5 mile to right on Deer Rd. Go 1.5 miles to farm on east side of road. Fire # 12620. Any questions, please call the Haugen’s at 507-459-3264.

Nov. 9 to Dec. 12, 2018 Pro-Ag Outlook Meetings, 10 locations in Iowa
The meetings are designed to provide agribusiness leaders with a concise evaluation of current market conditions, expected trends in crop and livestock income potential and management implications. For links to individual meeting locations, go to: https://www.extension.iastate.edu/agdm/info/meetings.html
- Waterloo - Nov. 15
- Mason City – Nov. 16
- Cresco - Nov. 21
- Iowa City - Dec. 5

Nov. 13, Women and Grain Marketing, Nashua
A four-session course (Nov. 13, 20, 27, Dec. 4) to assist women in developing a plan for marketing corn and soybeans. Learn how to manage price risk using tools like forward contracts, futures and options contracts, alternative marketing contracts, and crop insurance. Participants will work in a computer lab to access online decision tools and to develop a marketing plan. Learn market strategies and how to stay on track for long term marketing success. For registration more information, go to: http://www.aep.iastate.edu/womeninag/2018/nashua

Nov. 14-15, North Central Extension-Industry Soil Fertility Conference, Des Moines
Intended for university soil fertility and crop production specialists, industry agronomists, crop advisers, and agency personnel. The goal of the conference is to facilitate sharing of new soil
Presentations highlight ongoing soil fertility research at universities in the North Central region (IL, IN, IA, KS, KY, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, ON, PA, SD, and WI). For more information, go to: [https://conference.ipni.net/conference/ncsfc2018](https://conference.ipni.net/conference/ncsfc2018)

**Nov. 15, Tri-County-Ag Marketing meeting, Conrad - Sorry, my error, this was a 2017 program**
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Grain marketing meeting featuring ISU Extension Steve Johnson. Location is the Conrad Mid Iowa Coop Marketing Office in Conrad. For more details contact Shari Sell-Bakker at the Grundy County Extension office, 319-824-6979, sellbakk@iastate.edu

**Nov. 16, Cover Crop, Strip-tillage and Water Quality Field Day, Floyd - Sorry, my error, this was a 2017 program**
10:00 AM to Noon hosted at the Ben and Andy Johnson farm, 1170 Hwy 218, near Floyd. The event is free and open to the public and includes a complementary meal. For more information go to Iowa Learning Farms at: [http://www.iowalearningfarms.org](http://www.iowalearningfarms.org) or the local contact John Sjolinder, 641-423-0844, sjolinde@iastate.edu at the Cerro Gordo County Extension office [www.extension.iastate.edu/cerrogordo](http://www.extension.iastate.edu/cerrogordo)

**Nov. 18-19, 18th Annual Iowa Organic Conference, Iowa City**
For everything about the conference, go to: [https://register.extension.iastate.edu/iowaorganic](https://register.extension.iastate.edu/iowaorganic)

**Nov. 26-27, Iowa Forage and Grasslands Conference, Des Moines**
At the Des Moines Airport Holiday Inn. Jim Gerrish, renowned grazing consultant, and Byron Shelton, senior program director of the Savory Institute, are scheduled to speak during the Nov. 26 evening session and again in in-depth sessions on Nov. 27. For program details, go to [http://iowaforage.org/](http://iowaforage.org/)

**Dec. 5, Nuts and Bolts of Estate Planning, Elkader - Sorry, my error, this was a 2017 program, however, if there would be interest in this program for some time this winter, it could be arranged.**
1:00 to 4:00 PM at the FreedomBank Community Room, Elkader. Learn about the basics of estate planning and learn about the options for planning for your estate. This program is being planned in partnership with the Clayton County Women, Land, and Legacy Group. Topics include Property Ownership, Powers of Attorney, Wills & Trusts, Estate & Inheritance Taxes, Gifting, Goal setting, Family conversations—talking about transition, How to build & work with your professional team—legal, tax, and others, Treatment of Heirs—fair vs. equal. Seating is limited, please register ($5 fee includes refreshments and materials). For more information contact Holly Loan, 563-245-1451, hloan@iastate.edu at the Clayton County Extension office.

**Dec. 5 Swine Biosecurity Workshop, Manchester**
1:00 to 4:00 PM at the Delaware County Extension office. Free program. More details to follow.

**Dec. 6, Advanced Calving Clinic for Dairy and Beef, Calmar**
10:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the Dairy Center, Calmar. A free in-depth program on neonatal calf care, calving first aide and hands-on experience with "Frosty" a life size-cow model used to teach calving management, dystocia, and delivery. The program is open to all dairy and beef producers, students, and industry persons. The program is generously supported by local businesses, therefore it is free of charge for participants. Please pre-register by November 28 to reserve your seat. Seats are limited. Register online at www.nicc.edu/solutions (type calving clinic in the search box upper right corner of page to get to the dairy and beef registration pages)

Oct.-Dec., Commercial Pesticide Applicator CEU Programs
These programs are offered at most county extension offices. Contact the local extension office to reserve a space. Registration forms will not be available until mid-September.
https://www.extension.iastate.edu/psep/ComAp.html
   Oct. 25, Categories 7D (Community Insect Management), 8 (Public Health Pest), and 10 (Research & Demonstration)
   Nov. 2, Categories 3G (Greenhouse Pest Control), and 10 (Research & Demonstration)
   Nov. 7, Categories: 3O (Ornamental Pest), 3T (Turf Pest), 3OT (Ornamental and Turf Pest), and 10 (Research and Demonstration)
   Nov. 13, Private and Commercial, Categories: 7C (Fumigation), and 10 (Research & Demonstration)
   Nov. 14, Categories 1A (Ag Weed), 1B (Ag Insect), 1C (Ag Disease), and 10 (Research & Demonstration)
   Dec. 5, Categories 7A (General & Household Pest), 7B (Termite Control), 8 (Public Health Control), and 10 (Research & Demonstration)

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