Mark Your Calendars!
February 25-28

2013 Iowa Pork Regional Conferences

Who Should Attend?
Owners/operators
Contract growers
Production employees
Veterinarians
Swine industry stakeholders

Registration Form & Information

Pre-registration — Free
Registration at the door — $5

Registration begins 30 minutes prior to the start of the conference. Pre-registration deadline is two business days prior to location date. Materials are guaranteed to all pre-registered participants. To pre-register or for more information, call the Iowa Pork Producers Association at (515) 225-7675 or (800) 372-7675 or email schristensen@iowapork.org.

Return form by mail to:
Iowa Pork Producers Association
P.O. Box 71009
Clive, IA 50325

Name: __________________________________________
Address: _______________________________________
City, State, Zip: ________________________________
Phone: _________________________________________
E-mail: _________________________________________

Please check the meeting you plan to attend:

☐ Carroll – February 25
☐ Sheldon – February 26
☐ Nashua – February 27
☐ Iowa City – February 28
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Speakers and Topics

Dr. Phil Gauger
Assistant Professor, ISU College of Veterinary Medicine
Exploring Practical Swine Diagnostic Applications and Oral Fluid Testing
Prompt and accurate diagnostics addressing disease challenges affecting our current pork production systems can have a drastic impact on pig health and overall productivity. Diagnosis of disease may be influenced by multiple factors that include appropriate sample collection, sample quality and proper submission. Dr. Gauger will share knowledge gained through experiences as a veterinary diagnostician at the Iowa State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory that will help make diagnosing disease on your farm practical and more effective. Particular focus will be given to diagnostic considerations in post-weaning enteric disease detection, oral fluid collection and using oral fluids as a diagnostic tool. Don’t miss this chance to learn how to use oral fluids as an alternative diagnostic sample for detecting relevant health challenges in your herd.

Dr. Lee Schulz
Livestock Economist, Iowa State University
Looking Ahead: 2013 Livestock and Grain Economic Outlook
Profit outlooks for livestock producers have been on rocky ground as a tremendous start to the 2012 growing season made way for drought through the summer months. The Iowa Pork Regional Conferences welcome Iowa State University’s newest extension livestock economist, Dr. Lee Schulz, to discuss what profit opportunity may be available for pork producers in 2013 and share risk management resources available through ISU. Don’t miss this opportunity to learn how to more effectively manage feeders and the feed system to reduce inputs and improve the bottom line.

ISU Extension Swine Specialists
Maximizing Feed Efficiency

Part I: Rationing corn for pigs
Extension specialists will evaluate replacing corn with DDGS usage or other low energy feed to stretch corn inventories, taking into consideration differences in DDGS composition from oil extraction and the consequences on pig performance. This segment will explore opportunities for ration development to get the biggest bang for your buck from that feed bill.

Additionally, selling lighter weight pigs uses less corn, but there are other factors to consider before you make that decision. The specialists will discuss a more holistic approach to avoid erroneous conclusions, bringing the packer grid, seasonal price direction, sorting skill and margin over feed cost into the equation.

Part II: Feed management and technology to reduce feed cost
Particle size, pelleting, feeder management and feeder design are key to lower feed bills. Take this opportunity to learn how to more effectively manage feeders and the feed system to reduce inputs and improve the bottom line.

Part III: Diet relation to manure composition
Fertilizer value from manure continues to add significant value to Midwest pork production. This segment will discuss how variances in rations may influence nutrient content in your manure and analyze potential dietary cost savings relative to nutrient value in manure.

PQA Plus® Training
ISU Extension swine specialists will offer PQA Plus training from 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. prior to each regional conference. These sessions are sponsored by the Iowa Pork Producers Association and will be free for those who pre-register. For more information or to pre-register, contact IPPA at (800) 372-7675 or tbettin@iowapork.org.

Dates & Locations

Monday, Feb. 25
Carroll
Carroll County Extension Office
1205 W. US Hwy. 30, Ste. G
1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 26
Sheldon
Northwest Iowa Community College
603 West Park St.
Building A, Room 116/119
1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb 27
Nashua
The Borlaug Learning Center
3327 290th St.
1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 28
Iowa City
Johnson Co. Extension Office
3109 Old Hwy. 218 S.
1 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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