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THOUGHTS FROM 109 KILDEE
Congrats and last chances
First, our congratulations to animal science professor Joe Sebranek. The American Meat Science Association has named him the 2014 R.C. Pollock Award winner. This award represents lasting and exceptional contributions to meat science and AMSA. You can read more about the award and see the past winner list on the AMSA website here http://www.meatscience.org/page.aspx?id=4853
Second, two days from now is the 2014 Lauren Christian Pork Chop Open. If you’re planning to participate but haven’t sent in your registration form, email John Mabry (jmabry@iastate.edu) ASAP. And, on Thursday of this week, the 2014 Iowa Swine Day happens in Ames. Register onsite for $80. See the website http://www.aep.iastate.edu/iowaswineday/

NEWS
New PEDV vaccine available for producers
The Ames-based company Harrisvaccines has received the first-ever USDA conditional licensure for a PEDv vaccine since the disease’s initial outbreak. With this approval, the company can now sell the vaccine directly to veterinarians and swine producers. The vaccine has been available through veterinary prescription since late last year. A release from Harrisvaccines says, "The USDA generally grants conditional licenses in order to meet an emergency or unmet need. A conditionally licensed product must
show a reasonable expectation of efficacy and all safety and purity requirements must be met." Read the company release here [http://www.harrisvaccines.com/index.cfm/18925/29239/harrisvaccines_becomes_first_in_the_nation_to_receive_usda_conditional_license_for_pedv_vaccine](http://www.harrisvaccines.com/index.cfm/18925/29239/harrisvaccines_becomes_first_in_the_nation_to_receive_usda_conditional_license_for_pedv_vaccine)

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Iowa pork producer re-elected as NPB treasurer

Iowan Derrick Sleezer will continue as treasurer of the National Pork Board following officer elections at World Pork Expo last week. Sleezer currently is serving his second three-year term on the NPB where he servers on the Animal Welfare, Finance and Producer and State Services committees and represents the Pork Board on the U.S. Pork Center of Excellence board. He is a member of the 2010 Pork Leadership Academy and an avid Operation Main Street speaker who has given more than 40 presentations. Dale Norton of Bronson, Missouri is the new NPB president and Brad Greenway of Mitchell, South Dakota, is the new vice president. All three executive officers will serve one year in these positions, effective immediately.

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PRODUCTION TIP
Dealing with fatigue
During handling and transportation a hog may become fatigued as a result of stress induced by the environment (temperature and humidity), genetic predisposition, soundness problems, health and nutrition, and rough handling. Efforts to decrease causes of fatigued pigs help increase likelihood of safe handling and marketability of pigs, as well as better pork quality and ease of labor.

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IT'S A DATE
Continuing. PQA Plus® and TQA® producer certification sessions. See the IPIC website at [http://www.ipic.iastate.edu/PQAPlus.html](http://www.ipic.iastate.edu/PQAPlus.html) for dates, locations and contact information.

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Continuing. Food Safety Quality Assurance trainings for Iowa 4-H and other youth. See the IPIC website at [http://www.ipic.iastate.edu/fsqa14.html](http://www.ipic.iastate.edu/fsqa14.html)

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July. Iowa Pork Summer Conferences. Offered by Iowa Pork Producers Association, Pork Checkoff and IPIC. Speakers are Eldon McAfee (environment, nuisance, inspections) and Butch Baker (PEDV Update) Free to those who preregister two days ahead of location date by calling IPPA at 800-372-7675 or emailing iclemenson@iowapork.org $5 fee for walk-ins. All sessions run 1 to 4:30 p.m.

- July 15. LeMars Convention Center, 275 12th St. SE, Le Mars
- July 17. Swan Lake Conservation Education Center, 22676 Swan Lake Dr., Carroll
- July 22. Delaware County Community Center, 709 W. Main St., Manchester
- July 23. Washington County Extension Office, 2223 250th St., Washington
- July 24. Dows Community Center, 119 E. Ellsworth St., Dows.

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DID YOU KNOW?
Leopold Center seeks pre-proposals for 2015 funding
The Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State has issued its summer 2014 Request for Pre-proposals to fund new competitive grants beginning next year. The center is especially interested in pre-proposals in the areas of soil health, biotic integrity, identifying and managing vulnerabilities to agriculture, and food hubs/food distribution business development. This link provides info on the grant program categories, focus areas and the pre-proposal itself. http://www.leopold.iastate.edu/sites/default/files/RFP2014.pdf The concept papers for all pre-proposals are due July 8.

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FOR THE RECORD
Iowa hog and beef cattle production
The June issue of Iowa Farm Outlook (from Ag Decision Maker) offers summaries of hog and beef cattle production as recorded and reported in the 2012 census of agriculture. Note that hog numbers start on page 4 of this 9-page pdf document. http://www.econ.iastate.edu/ifo/files/ifo2014/ifo060114.pdf One noticeable difference: Comparing operations and inventory of all hogs and pigs from 2007 and 2012, every size category decreased except one. For operations of more than 5,000 head, there are 28 percent more operations and inventory is 21 percent higher.

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