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Many in the pork world know Mike Brumm, former swine specialist and professor at the University of Nebraska and, since 2006, owner of Brumm Swine Consultancy, Inc. in North Mankato, Minn. On Sunday, his wife Janet passed away. Her obituary and funeral arrangements are available here http://www.mankatomortuary.com/sitemaker/sites/Mankat1/obit.cgi?page=profile&section=info&user_id=1611605 Our heartfelt thoughts are with Mike and his family during this time, with warm wishes for wonderful memories in the coming days. If you’d like to send a note to Mike, his direct email address is mbrumm@hickorytech.net.

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NEWS
Iowa State students big part of NPB student team
Iowa State students are heavily involved in the National Pork Board’s Student Social Forces team, with 6 of the newly named 12 members from ISU. Selection was based on individual involvement in the pork industry and strength of their communication skills. This social media outreach program is helping real farmers share real stories with consumers through the hashtag #RealPigFarming through the end of the year. In alphabetical order, these ISU students, their hometown and majors are: Alex Conover, Holstein, Animal Science and Society in Agriculture; Allison Luety, Clinton, Wisconsin, Public Relations and Society in Agriculture; Allison Bastian, New Ulm, Minnesota,
Agricultural Business; Ashley Smeby, Klemme, Agronomy; Breanna Branderhorst, Ames, Agricultural and Life Sciences Education; and Lexi Delaney, DeWitt, Animal Science. Congratulations to these great Iowa State students!

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NIH-funded project at ISU needs central researcher
You might remember the NEWS NOW piece a few weeks ago describing a $2.5 million grant from the National Institutes of Health to be led by ISU animal science professor Chris Tuggle. It will be used to develop a line of pigs with a unique immune system to help future research in regenerative medicine and other therapies for humans. Read more about this project
Tuggle is now seeking a central researcher for this project who will have at least a bachelor's degree and experience working with large animals. If you’re interested, or know someone else who might be, check out more information about the position here
https://www.iastatejobs.com/postings/12860

PRODUCTION TIP
Keep fans clean
When washing the barns between groups and at other routine times, it is important to clean fan blades, shrouds, baffles and inlets to improve ventilation and fan efficiency. Dirty ventilation components reduce the efficiency of air movement, decrease motor longevity and increase energy costs.

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

DID YOU KNOW?
More Belgian pork to China
The recent signing of a memorandum of understanding by Belgian and Chinese authorities means more Belgian pork could soon be headed to China. The agreement will increase from two to six the number of Belgian exporters allowed to move their pork to China. See more info in this article on the Pig Progress website http://www.pigprogress.net/Pork-Processing/Markets/2015/6/Belgium-and-China-sign-pork-export-deal-1777645W/

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During May, the IPIC website had visitors from 88 countries/locations around the world. Of these, 68 came to the site at least twice and 28 had visitors coming to the site at least 10 times. The location (other than the U.S.) with the most visitors? Germany, followed by Australia, Europe and Viet Nam. For those reaching the site through searches, these were the top four words and terms used: pork production, Yorkshire Berkshire cross pigs; swine average daily gain; and do hogs grow faster than gilts.

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