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National Hog Farmer has announced the newest set of Pork Masters and this year’s
class includes two people who have played integral roles in the success of IPIC over
the years. Rich Degner, recently retired executive director of the Iowa Pork Producers
Association, and former NHF editor Dale Miller, are among the professionals who have
supplied information, encouragement and wisdom through their respective careers.
Although both have retired in an official sort of way, Rich and Dale continue to have the
best interest of the swine industry at heart. We congratulate them for this honor and
thank NHF for recognizing their many contributions and assistance over the years.
Read about Rich and Dale.

NEWS
Leopold Center issues request for pre-proposals
As part of its competitive grants program, the Leopold Center for Sustainable
Agriculture is accepting pre-proposals in five focus areas for 2016 funding. In addition
to these focus areas, the pre-proposals will be further categorized into one of 10
subject portals, which include livestock systems, integrated farming systems and
marketing and food systems. Submission deadline is July 7, and invitations to submit
full proposals will be sent in September. Pre-proposals must come from investigators in Iowa nonprofit organizations and agencies or Iowa educational institutions. Farmers, landowners and farm-based businesses are invited to participate but must be partnered with a nonprofit organization or eligible investigator. See all the info on the Leopold Center website here: leopold.iastate.edu/grants/rfp

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ISU folks on World Pork Expo agenda
Several ISU faculty and staff will be presenting information and certification sessions during this week’s World Pork Expo in Des Moines. Elwynn Taylor, Extension climatologist, will provide a weather update during the noon session in the NPB hospitality tent; IPIC director Jason Ross will present info on understanding the biology of seasonal infertility at 1:30 Wednesday afternoon in Room C of the Varied Industries Building; and economist Dermot Hayes is a presenter on U.S. exports and international trade at 1:30 Thursday afternoon, also in Room C. Extension swine program specialists Dave Stender and Mark Storlie will provide producer PQA and TQA certification sessions on Wednesday and Thursday.

PRODUCTION TIP
Take a walk every day
One essential element of pig management is a daily walking of the pens. A good caretaker routinely walks the pens and interacts with the pigs. This includes checking the barn daily for observations of every pig, checking and adjusting waters and feeders, and looking for and treating unthrifty/sick pigs. Pigs get to know the caretaker, too.

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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/FSQA.html for dates, locations and contact information.

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Ongoing through July 6. Common Swine Industry Audit sessions. No cost, but preregister to ensure your space at these limited attendance sessions, sponsored by IPIC, ISUEO and IPPA. http://www.iowapork.org/common-swine-industry-audit-training-sessions-offered-2/

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June 8-10. World Pork Expo. Iowa State Fairgrounds, Des Moines.
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June 30. Iowa Swine Day. Iowa State University. Registrations now open.

DID YOU KNOW?
Final IPIC PQA Plus 3 Advisor training is June 29
In preparation for the launch of National Pork Board’s new PQA Plus 3.0 program at World Pork Expo this week, IPIC has offered a number of advisor certification sessions for new and existing advisors. If you need this certification, be sure to get your application form submitted soon because there’s one ISU-provided session remaining on June 29 in Ames, and application forms are due June 17. Approved applicants will be notified and the $75 registration fee is due upon notice of approval. Download the two-page fillable pdf application form from the IPIC website here http://www.ipic.iastate.edu/pqaplus3.html and get it submitted.

FOR THE RECORD
International website provides glossary
The website pig333.com recently added a glossary to its resources to help site visitors understand more of what they read. This specific section https://www.pig333.com/pig-glossary is described as a listing with definitions for the most commonly used pig terms in articles on the site. There’s currently no j, q, y or z in the alphabetically arranged list, but check back. And remember that words here are spelled in the European manner, such as flavouring and oestrus. Cheers!

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