

AGRICULTURE FOR TOMORROW CONFERENCE



Tuesday, March 7th, 2017

9:15 – 3:30 EST

Bay College, Escanaba

Heirman University Center



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Session A

10:10-11:05

A-1

What's New in Crop Protection?

Controlling weeds, crop disease and insects is crucial to success on many U.P. farms. Justin will provide an industry perspective on current and emerging crop protection chemical technologies.

Justin Tuss, BASF Corporation Regional Representative

A-2

Dairy Calf Handling

Handling young dairy calves is a critical time to ensure calves grow healthy and efficiently as they grow older. This session will discuss handling procedures, care during the winter, care in the alley and using necropsy to find problems.

Stan Moore, Dairy Extension Educator MSUE

A-3

Veterans in Agriculture Network

Using my personal story to make the connection between veterans and farming.

Dylan Thomas, Owner, Two Pines & Co-Director of Veterans in Agriculture Network

Session C

1:30-2:25

C-7

Paper Mill Residuals on Your Farm?...Things to consider

Area paper mills are offering local farmers an opportunity to receive paper mill residuals as a soil amendment. Learn about how this could impact your cropping system from an experienced consultant and local paper company rep.

Steven Shimek, Soil Scientist and Paper Industry Consultant, Natural Resource Solutions, LLC & Dave DeVet, Verso Corporation, Escanaba Mill

C-8

Beef Cattle Handling Equipment to Make Life Easier

This session will cover the use and kinds of cattle handling equipment that cattlemen need to care for their cattle. Also, cattle handling techniques within a given system to lower anxiety.

Ben Bartlett

C-9

Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

Meet MDARD staff stationed in the U.P. Learn about the many services they provide. Whether your interest is farming, food preparation, or sales, this will be a great chance to get to know faces and discuss your questions in a friendly, casual group format.

Donna LaCourt, Joe MacPhee, Erin Satchell, Gary Titus and David White - MDARD

Session B

11:15-12:10

B-4

What's New in Low-lignin Alfalfa and Other Legume/grass Forages?

Selecting seed for alfalfa and other perennial forage plantings is an important decision. Seed industry reps will provide insights into advantages of low-lignin alfalfa and other improved grass and legume forage varieties.

Dr. Don Miller, Director of Product Development & Genomics, Bruegger, District Sales Manager, Alforex Seeds

B-5

On-farm Evaluation Passive Immunity Transfer in Young Calves

Producers can pull blood on dairy calves to determine if they have received adequate immunoglobulin transfer from colostrum. Dairy producers and those receiving young calves can test calves on the farm.

Stan Moore, Dairy Extension Educator MSUE

B-6

Local Farmers: Branding and Direct marketing. Open Panel

Getting to know your neighbor's strategy for marketing and branding allowing them to sell locally.

BSB Chicken Farm, Miller Family Farm, Northern Sun Winery and VanDrese Potato and Dairy Farm

Session D

2:35-3:30

D-10

Managing Crop Nutrients with Money in Mind

With careful planning, improved crop production can more than make up for the cost of fertilizer, lime, manure, cover crops. This session will provide new, and review older, crop nutrient tips.

Jim Isleib, MSU Extension Educator

D-11

Veterinarian Feed Directive

As of January 1st, livestock producers can no longer administer antibiotics through feed and water without approval and directive of a veterinarian. This session will inform producers the steps required to receive such approval.

Frank Wardynski, Beef and Dairy Extension Educator MSUE

D-12

Getting to Know Local Resources

Open panel of local businesses and State of Michigan employees who provided assistance and programs to farmers.

MAEAP, Stephenson Marketing Cooperative, NRCS- Forestry Assistance program & USDA Farm Service Agency

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9:15-9:45 (EST)	Registration & Educational Exhibits		
9:45-10:00	Opening Comments & Introductions: Warren Schauer, Retired Extension Educator MSUE		
10:10-11:05	A1 What's new in crop protection	A2 Dairy Calf Handling	A3 Veterans in Agriculture Network
11:15-12:10	B4 What's new in low-lignin alfalfa and other legume/grass forages	B5 On-farm evaluation passive immunity transfer in young calves	B6 Local Farmers: Branding and Direct Marketing
12:10-1:00	Lunch		
1:00-1:30	Visit Exhibits		
1:30-2:25	C7 Paper mill residuals on your farm?...things to consider	C8 Beef cattle handling equipment to make life easier	C9 Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
2:35-3:30	D-10 Managing crop nutrients with money in mind	D-11 Veterinarian Feed Directive	D-12 Getting to know local resources

Registration Form

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

County: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Cost of attendance is \$25 pre-registration

(due by Feb. 24th - no phone registrations accepted)

After Feb. 24 the registration fee will be \$35 per person at the door

Fee includes lunch and Materials

Number of attendees _____ x \$25 = _____

For more information contact: Nikki (906) 387-2530, msue.alger@county.msu.edu

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C _____ D _____

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