

Jarolimek Named NPPC President

DES MOINES, Iowa—Craig Jarolimek of Forest River, N.D., is the new president of the National Pork Producers Council

(NPPC). He was selected to lead the organization during the National Pork Industry Forum March 2-4 in Kansas City, Mo. Jarolimek is owner and man-

ager of his family's 5,000-head finishing operation in partnership with his wife, Dawn. They also raise wheat, barley, sugar beets, corn, and soybeans.

Barb Campbell Determan is the new president elect. Determan of Early, Iowa, runs Home Run Farm with her husband, Steve. The 300-sow farrow-to-finish operation markets 6,000 hogs annually. They also raise corn and soybeans.

Dave Roper of Kimberly, Idaho, is the new vice president. Roper is owner and manager of Magic Valley Pork. The family farm consists of a 140-sow farrow-to-finish operation that markets 2,400 hogs annually. The farm includes cattle, hay, dry beans, beets, potatoes, and corn on 300 acres.

Five producers were elected to three-year terms on the NPPC board of directors during the annual meeting of the NPPC Delegate Body: Determan of Early, Iowa; Roper of Kimberly, Idaho; Max Schmidt of Elma, Iowa; Keith Berry of Greencastle, Ind.; Roy Henry of Longford, Kan. One producer was elected to serve a one-year term on the board: Richard Brauer of Oakford, Ill.

Thomas Vincent of Perry, Iowa, was selected to the associate member seat on the NPPC Board of Directors representing Allied Industry. He will serve a two-year term. Vincent is president of Agri-Access, a division of Brenton Bank.

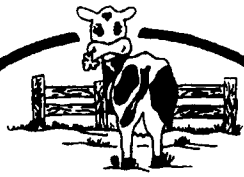
The Pork Industry Nominating Committee is responsible for selecting, interviewing, and recommending candidates for national leadership positions. Producers elected to the nominating committee were Dean Vantiger of Mt. Union, Iowa (producer-at-large seat); John Adams of Snow Hill, N.C. (Federation Council seat); and Jim Quackenbush of Chokio, Minn. (state president seat).

The following are results of a producer survey taken during the 2000 National Pork Industry Forum.

The survey had 162 producer responses. The average age of delegates was 47 years old. There were 44 state associations in attendance.

Hogs marketed (percent of delegates):

- 36 percent less than 2,000 per year
 - 32 percent 2,000 to 10,000
 - 32 percent more than 10,000
- Sows owned (percent of delegates):
- 51 percent less than 200 sows
 - 27 percent 200 to 1,000 sows
 - 22 percent more than 1,000 sows



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Deadline March 31

ALLENTOWN (Lehigh Co.)—The Lehigh County Agricultural Land Preservation Board is accepting applications until March 31 from Lehigh County farmland owners with an interest in preserving their farmland through the sale of development rights.

Through this program, qualified farmland owners can apply to sell agricultural conservation easements to the commonwealth of Pennsylvania and/or the county of Lehigh. Agricultural conservation easements preserve farmland by permanently limiting all forms of nonagricultural development on eased farm

properties.

In return for giving up development rights, landowners receive cash payments up to the difference between the fair market value and the agricultural value of their properties.

Applications may be picked up in Room 102 of the Lehigh County Agricultural Center, 4184 Dorney Park Road in South Whitehall. The deadline for submitting an application is Friday, March 31.

Call Jeff Zehr at (610) 391-9583 for more information.



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TOBACCO MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 13 @ 7:30 pm

Location: Tobacco Warehouse on Jalyn Dr., New Holland, Orland Ind. Park

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- Topics:
- ★ How Maryland got to where they are today with their markets.
 - How they maintain their markets.
 - ★ We will TRY to answer questions about marketing tobacco in Maryland.
 - ★ To address what we (PA Tobacco Farmers) need to do to grow tobacco that tests closer to Maryland tobacco.
 - ★ Alternative crops to replace tobacco.

Speakers: Jane Balmer, Bob Anderson, possibly additional speaker(s)



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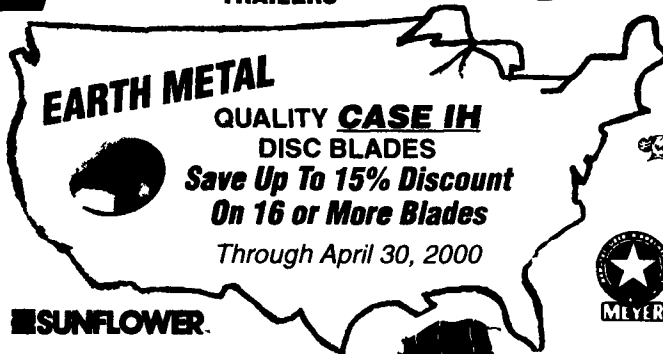
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