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Delaware AG Week 2007



Delaware Agriculture Week consolidates farm-based educational meetings while recognizing and celebrating the industry's importance. The University of Delaware Cooperative Extension, Delaware State University Cooperative Extension and Delaware Department of Agriculture are cooperating with many partners to organize the week of agriculture related events.

For information regarding Schedules and Exhibit and Sponsor Information visit <http://www.rec.udel.edu/AgWeek/home.htm>

Special Ag Week Breakfast Scheduled

Mark your calendars for the upcoming dates of the Friends of Agriculture Breakfast series. January 26th **Bob Stallman**,

President of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will be the speaker for the special Ag Week Celebration at the **Harrington Fire Hall**.

March 16, 2007 the speaker will be **Michael Scuse**, Delaware Secretary of Agriculture. The season

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finale will be a "**Celebration of the Next Generation.**"

For more information regarding the Friends of Agriculture Breakfast Series you may visit <http://ag.udel.edu/agfriends> or call Alice Moore at 302-831-2504.



Delaware Horticulture Industry Expo and Annual Pesticide Conference January 17-18

Modern Maturity Center, Dover, DE

Pre-Registration is Required the schedule is available at

<http://www.rec.udel.edu/AgWeek/pdf/HortExpo.pdf>

Contact Valann Budischak at 888-448-1203 or dnlainc@comcast.net



2007 Regional Women in Ag Conference

Is scheduled for January 19, 2007 from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at the Dover Sheraton, Dover, DE. **Pre-Registration is Required** Contact Laurie Wolinski at (302) 831-2538 or lgw@udel.edu Registration and conference information available online at: <http://ag.udel.edu/extension/kent/womeninag.htm>

Delaware Agricultural Industry Dinner

Is on January 20, 2007 at the Modern Maturity Center, Dover, DE. With a Reception at 6:00 p.m. and Dinner begins at 7:00 p.m. **Pre-Registration is Required** Entertainment provided by: Al Walker of Colombia, South Carolina. For tickets and additional information, Contact Lyn or Carol Davenport (302) 644-2471

Statewide 4-H Ice Skating Party

December 27 The Centre Ice Rink at the State Fairgrounds (4-H Building during Fair Week) will be from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and admission is one canned good and is given to the Food Bank. Skate rental is \$1.50 per person.

In The News

“Foam OK'd to kill bird flu-infected poultry” the News Journal article quotes **Bud Malone** on the testing of the foam used in depopulation efforts in an avian influenza outbreak.

“Talking Turkey: Tips for Safe Cooking” article has tips from **Sue Snider** in UDaily November 11.

Gary Van Wicklen – article “Great Gifts for the Poultry Grower” in the December 12th The Mid-Atlantic Poultry Farmer.

A series of monthly profiles on community champions “A Valuable Resource on Nature 4-H Volunteer shares with youngsters her love of the outdoors” article in the News Journal features **Cathy Martin** 4-H Volunteer and coach for the Kent County Envirothon Team. Also quoted in the article is **Doug Crouse** Director of Kent County Cooperative Extension and the 4-H youth development educator for Kent County.



The **Sussex County Master Gardeners**, of Delaware Cooperative Extension were featured Celebrating their 20th Anniversary in an article December 4th Mid-Atlantic Country Folks Farm Chronicle.

"Keep putting final touches on Delaware Ag Week '07" **Ed Kee**, planning committee chairman for Ag Week and Extension vegetable crops specialist shares the plans for Ag Week 2007 in a front page article in The Delmarva Farmer November 28.



Mid-Atlantic Nutrient Management Handbook received the American Society of Agronomy Certificate of Excellence at the annual conference recognizing authors **Dave Hansen, Greg Binford and Richard Taylor**.

On the Cutting Edge

4-H Family Fun Day and UD Football



Blue Hen and 4-H Spirit combined for an awesome day at Delaware Stadium November 11 for the first 4-H Day at UD Football with 500 4-H'ers from all over Delaware attended the pre-game activities at the 4-H Tent including a visit from YouDee! The lucky clover coin helped deliver the win for the Hens.

To see photos of the days events visit:

<http://picasaweb.google.com/Delaware4H/4HDayUDFootball2006>

There are two UD Basketball games scheduled for January and February being designated as 4-H Days, Head, Heart, Hands and Hoops.



4-H fundraiser tied to new movie for every ticket purchased through **www.fourhcouncil.edu** to see Paramount's production

of **Charlotte's Web** a donation of \$1 made by Hollywood Movie Money will support the state's 4-H program.

Grants

Delaware 4-H continues to have a successful partnership with the Dover Air Force Base and has recently been invited to become an OMK (Operation Military Kids) State which is a \$30,000 grant renewable for three years.



NATIVE DELAWARE



Native Delaware is a weekly column in the Sunday News Journal that highlights University of Delaware Cooperative Extension Professionals' expertise on the plants, animals and land of the First State.

For more information regarding these articles please contact Susan Baldwin at 831-1355, smb@udel.edu or Margo McDonough at 831-1358, margomcd@udel.edu.

Director's Journal

November 4 - State 4-H Volunteer Forum; Alpha Gamma Rho Founders Day Dinner

November 5-7 - MarketMaker Conference, Chicago IL

November 8 – Welcoming Remarks Northeast EFNP and FSN Conference

November 10 – Leadership Trust

November 11 – 4-H Day UD Football Game DE Stadium

November 12-14 – NASULGC Conference Houston, TX

November 17 – Friends of Ag Breakfast, FCS Program Meeting

November 26-29 – National 4-H Congress, Atlanta GA

November 29 – Delaware Farm Bureau Reception and Dinner

December 6 – Ag In-service, Dover

December 7 – Fall Faculty Meeting; LIFE Fest; Governor's Conference Planning Committee Meeting

December 13 – Charlotte's Web event at NCC Extension Office

December 14 – CANR Holiday Party

December 15 – Recognition Event for David Burris

December 21 – Luncheon with Ag Museum Organization

Happy Holidays!
