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President's Corner

J. Craig Williams
NACAA President

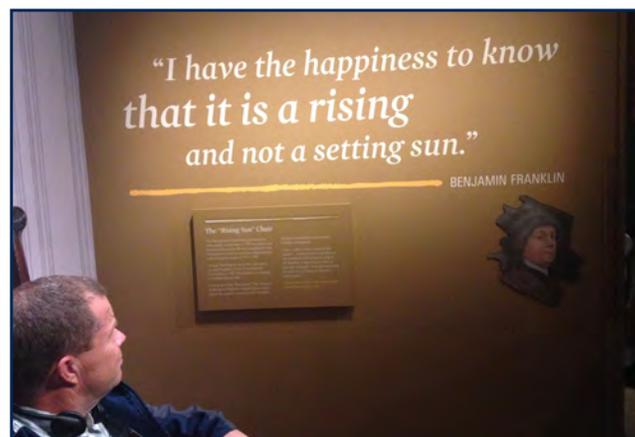


Welcome to the Northeast and the 2021 AM/PIC!

Five years ago, Dan Kluchinski, Virginia Rosenkranz and I were launching the ideas of the 2021 AM/PIC to be held in Philadelphia. The theme was Inspiration and Innovation. Little did we know that we would need both when 2021 arrived!

I am writing to you from inside my house which was built in 1834 in a valley in Northern Pennsylvania. The first Continental Congress met in Philadelphia in 1774. Ellen and I have toured Independence Hall and Ben Franklin's printing house. Both are icons of early American history. Inside the State House, George Washington sat in a special chair during the 1787 Constitutional Convention. The chair is often called the Rising Sun Armchair. See link below. Ben Franklin said about the half sun behind the

chair: *"I have the happiness to know that it is a rising and not a setting sun"*. So, this is true with how I feel about our Extension Ag Work in these new times! *continued on page 2*



President's Corner (continued from page 1)

When Ellen and I toured around Philadelphia, we saw places where crucial events in the forming of our nation occurred during 1774-1776. The valley where we now live would at that time have been full of hemlock trees and wildlife, the hunting grounds of native inhabitants. It was the edge of the wilderness western frontier moving across Pennsylvania at that time.

As we roll into the 2021 AM/PIC, we have historical and new beginnings in the same meeting. Just like the early settlers moving from their comfort of a town house into a new western wilderness, we too needed Inspiration and Innovation to move across the wilderness of the virtual world. All of us have moved into the virtual meeting wilderness this past year! I am excited to see everyone again at the 2021 AM/PIC and to strengthen our connections. We are more comfortable with the new virtual meeting system and we have added several new ideas for 2021.

It is a great privilege to serve as president of NACAA and I thank all the Pennsylvania and Northeast agents and our administration for letting me have this opportunity. The Northeast committee has been working very hard through our changing times to get ready for 2021. We have added virtual tours and face-to-face exhibitor time into our virtual platform to bring some resemblance of a "normal" AM/PIC. I want to thank all the agents who have submitted their award applications and presentations. We have a full slate of professional development opportunities for everyone. All of the NACAA committees have had a busy spring selecting presentations and award recipients for this year. I want to thank the agents who serve on these committees and spend countless hours carrying on the work of NACAA. I also want to thank Scott Hawbaker, our Executive Director for the many responsibilities that he handles throughout the year. Scott and I have gone from emailing once a month to once a week to talking almost 4 times a week, covering the responsibilities of NACAA. Scott does an excellent job with the details of keeping NACAA organized, handling the web page, membership signup and many other issues that come up.

Over the past year, I have had more virtual meetings than I want to count! I have hosted every NACAA Board meeting, JCEP and PILD meeting virtually since February 2020. Truly a big thank you to every association member for carrying on their board duties in this new time. It takes more personal effort to make connections across this system for the board members to conduct the NACAA business and JCEP business. Throughout the year, we have talked about how agents across the country have been able to carry on the extension education work in the virtual world along with the face-to-face meetings. More and more of these opportunities are starting to open up.

Many agents have utilized social media to carry on their educational programs. We have invited three exciting speakers for our Keynote and Capstone sessions, who will give us their experience working in agriculture and utilizing social media. All three speakers have a dynamic presence online and bring agricultural backgrounds. Dr. Sara Place, Dr. Kevin Folta and Jennifer Schmidt, MS RD, all are very active on social media and the promotion of agricultural issues. Their information pieces are highlighted later in this issue.

As if we were touring the Ben Franklin house or Independence Hall, I leave you with a favorite Ben Franklin Quote.

"How to be remembered:

If you would not be forgotten, as soon as you are dead and rotten, either write things worth reading, or do things worth writing."

- Ben Franklin -



Thankfully Yours,
NACAA President
J. Craig Williams

A Few Extra Historical Tidbits....

Independence Hall, US National Park Service.

<https://www.nps.gov/media/video/view.htm?id=1C3E3770-D650-A4CB-63BF697402124837>

Rising Sun Speakers Chair

https://www.nps.gov/museum/exhibits/revwar/image_gal/indeimg/armchair.html

The Rising Sun Chair was George Washington's seat during the Constitutional Convention (1787) held at the Pennsylvania state house (now Independence Hall) in Philadelphia. The chair was named following an observation made by Benjamin Franklin while watching the signing of the Constitution. Franklin remarked to those near him:

"I have often and often in the course of the Session, and the vicissitudes of my hopes and fears as to its issue, looked at that behind the President without being able to tell whether it was rising or setting but now at length I have the happiness to know that it is a rising and, not a setting Sun".

The chair continued to function as the Pennsylvania speaker's chair, moving along with the State Capital, first to Lancaster, then to Harrisburg. It was eventually returned to Independence Hall in 1872 in anticipation of the Nation's 1876 centennial celebration.



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Life Member Corner

My Extension career began with 18 years in south-central Washington State as Extension Director in single-agent Klickitat County. My naiveté protected me from appreciating the lunacy of having one person serve as a 4-H educator, food safety advisor, camp director, Master Gardener program supervisor, Learning Center director, AmeriCorps volunteer supervisor, small farm advisor, commercial livestock and crop advisor, community and economic development director...and these are just the things I remember! I liked to joke it was a single-agent county and if I weren't already single, I would have been shortly because I was never home.

One of my favorite stories to share from this time was about food safety. Family Living topics are not in my wheelhouse of strengths. I like to tell people "My last name is Kerr, but I only take things OUT of cans, not put things IN them." Regardless, I felt comfortable answering this food safety question: Someone called for advice because they had gone away on vacation for 2 weeks and accidentally left a pot roast out on the counter; they wanted to know if it would be safe to eat. I asked them if they wanted to live and voiced the food safety mantra: "When in doubt, throw it out." There was no doubt.

Another memorable experience involved a 3-month-old Simmental-cross calf found dead in a pasture. The owners hauled it to town to see if I could tell them what killed the calf. Right away my attention was drawn to the giant round hole

in the calf's flank and the fact there were no internal organs, eyes, or anus. I told the owners I believed the calf died and scavenging eagles and ravens did the damage we saw; my concern was the original cause of death, not the scavenging. The owners looked at me and said, "We think it was aliens." After a beat to collect my thoughts, I replied "I think it was more likely Bigfoot did it." They did not like this answer and promptly left with the hollow carcass.

I think those folks probably left as happy as the myriads of people new to the county who just purchased X amount of acres and came to the Extension office to "see what they could grow." Given the county's poor soils, low annual rainfall, cold winters,



Susan Kerr
NACAA Life Member

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hot summers, and lack of new water rights, my answer was usually “Old.” Our administrative assistant’s answer was “Weeds.”

In 2013, the opportunity arose to accept a new position as the regional Livestock and Dairy Specialist in the northwest corner of the state. I spent 5 years at the WSU Northwestern Research and Extension Center in Mount Vernon, mostly conducting educational outreach for new and small-scale livestock producers, 4-Hers, and dairy farmers. It was interesting to witness the vast differences in agricultural challenges in the hot and dry eastern part of the state vs the cooler and wetter western side. Examples: alfalfa, tomatoes, and corn like the east side; foot rot, fungi, and parasites like the west side.

I decided to retire in 2018. If you are counting, that was after only 23 years with Extension—about half for some Extension careers! However, I had a previous career as a veterinarian in New York State, then attended graduate school in Kansas from 1992-1995. After retiring, I had planned to spend the summer of 2018 enjoying my garden, then move back to New York to relish the horrible winters and high taxes everyone seeks during retirement. However, a friend employed as a state veterinarian talked me into a stint with the Washington State Department of Agriculture (WSDA) as an Education and Outreach Specialist to deliver educational programs and create outreach materials. I started with the WSDA in November 2018 and planned to work for 6 months or so...who wants to move in the winter?!

During this time, I was also employed by the University of Vermont for the last year of a 5-year USDA NIFA grant to develop a biosecurity curriculum for youth. I was now working 1.25 FTE in retirement! I extended my time with the WSDA because one of their field veterinarians developed a serious health problem and I could take over some of that person’s responsibilities. I decided to stay another 6 months or so...

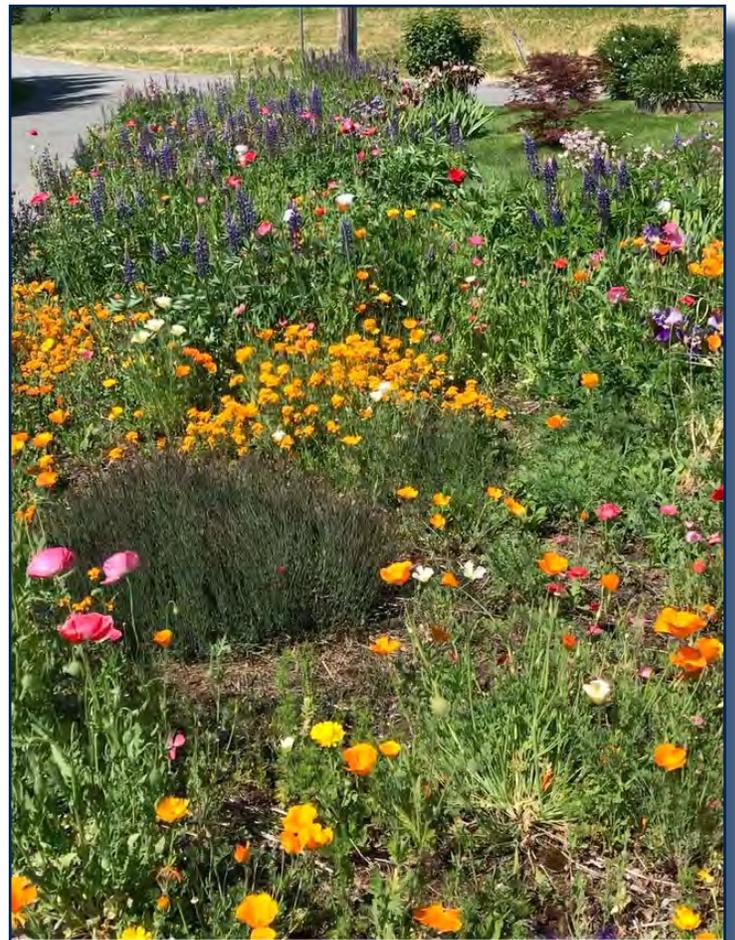
Hello COVID-19! Instead of moving home, I became “stranded” in Washington as the SARS-CoV-2 virus raged. I was able to keep working for the WSDA from home creating educational materials, updating documents, and giving virtual presentations. I also did field work mostly involving certifying bird flocks for the National

Poultry Improvement Program and monitoring chickens at live bird markets for avian influenza.

My sights are now set on August for the eastward migration. I’m looking forward to getting on the plane with just a backpack and an unhappy cat and landing in central upstate New York during prime humidity season. Oh joy.

Until then, I’ll keep recovering from a partial knee replacement, finishing house projects, and getting my garden ready for the next caretaker. I’ll enjoy NOT traveling, starting a new garden, becoming a 4-H volunteer, and volunteering at spay/neuter clinics. I hope to start a program similar to the Whidbey Island Hearts and Hammers program in my hometown and encourage other life members to consider doing so in their communities; this is an incredibly valuable and rewarding experience for all involved and very much needed by the target community.

Wishing you all good health and satisfying careers and retirement!



2021 NACAA Scholarship Fundraiser

\$\$\$ On-line Silent Auction \$\$\$

Auction site is www.32auctions.com/nacaa2021

Anyone can view the Auction without an account.

Only bidders need an account.

Bidding Opens: 6 am (CST) on Thurs., July 1

Bidding Closes: 7 pm (CST) on Wed., July 7

WHY donate an item to this Auction?

It's an easy way to become financially 'vested' in the Scholarship Program. Fully 'vested', active Extension Agents are eligible to apply for educational enhancement funds. The amount your donated item brings is what you, the auction item donor, will receive credit for (\$\$\$) toward a contribution to the NACAA Scholarship Program.

Send donation form & 1 image to your Scholarship Region Vice Chair or National Chair.

Refer to the Donation Request Form.

Donate deadline: 12 Noon CST on Wed., June 30.

'VESTED' means ... you have contributed at least \$40 to this Scholarship Program.

A \$40 contribution makes you eligible for your 1st \$1,000; give another \$60 (\$100 total) and you're eligible for an addition \$1,000. The funds can be used for professional improvement opportunities: advanced degrees, specialized training or conferences, study tours (domestic and abroad).

Auction Item EXAMPLES:

Extension memorabilia - books, calendars, artwork, 4-H, FCS, Ag, Nat. Resources

Jewelry (local artisan) – bolo, earrings, necklace, choker, cufflink, ring & broach

Craftsman – pottery, iron work, gourds, wood carving, blown glass & painting

Food items - spice, sauce, cheese, seasoning, candy, nuts & syrup

Spirits - barrel lids, trays, shot glasses.

Rules for shipping alcohol are strict and vary greatly by state. The only people who can legally ship alcohol are companies who are licensed to sell alcohol to parties in states that permit shipments.

Clothing – handbags, jacket, hats, vests, scarf, boots & waders

Animal care – bridle, brush/comb, feeder (bird, hummer), caller (turkey, deer), salt block

Agriculture products – pest control, fertilizer, seed, equipment

Trips – hunting, outfitters, whitewater, vacation hotel/lodge stays, spa/massage

Camping – cooking & outdoor gear, dehydrated food, hiking stick, rod and reel, fly's

Covering - quilt, needle work, afghan, wall hanging, tablecloth

MORE - Vase, candle sticks, ice scraper, fly swatter, back scratcher, yard art, toy



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Send 1 picture (.jpg, .png) of item as a separate file, with this donation form.

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Estimated value of donation item: \$ _____ (for internal use only)

Donor is responsible for shipping. Reasonable shipping costs may be added to the amount an item brings. Item proceeds + shipping cost = \$\$\$ donation to NACAA Scholarship.

Estimated value of shipping: \$ _____

NACAA 2021 Virtual AM/PIC



July 6-9, 2021 Schedule



Register at: www.nacaa.com

Deadline - June 30, 2021

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE IN EASTERN STANDARD TIME (EST)

Monday- June 28, 2021 (All times EST)

1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. NACAA Educational Foundation Meeting (followed by Trustees Meeting) a separate Zoom link will be provided in the near future

Tuesday - July 6, 2021 (All times EST)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Coffee Connection (Chat time)

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Regional Meetings
Southern Region
North Central Region
Northeast Region
Western Region

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Voting Delegate Session

Wednesday - July 7, 2021 (All times EST)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Coffee Connection (Chat time)

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Opening Session - Keynote Speaker

We are excited to announce a great tag team lineup for the July 7th, 2021 AMPIC Keynote presentation. Keynote "Optimizing your Extension efforts on social media!"

Both Dr. Sara Place and Dr. Kevin Folta will give their experiences on social media and the past year.

Dr. Sara Place

Sara is the Chief Sustainability Officer at Elanco where she provides technical expertise on sustainability issues to customers and supports Elanco's Healthy Purpose. Prior to Elanco, she was the senior director for sustainable beef



production research at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association and an assistant professor in sustainable beef cattle systems at Oklahoma State University.

She received her PhD in Animal Biology from the University of California, Davis, a BS in Animal Science from Cornell University, and an AAS in Agriculture Business from Morrisville State College.

Dr. Sara Place has a Twitter handle at @drsplace

Dr. Kevin M. Folta

Kevin M. Folta is a Professor in the Horticultural Sciences Department at the University of Florida. His research is in the discovery of novel disruptive chemistries from random DNA information, the genomics of flavor



and aroma, and how specific light wavelengths control plant traits. He teaches strategic communication around issues of technology in agriculture and medicine. He hosts the weekly Talking Biotech Podcast since 2015. In 2016 he was recognized with the prestigious CAST Borlaug Award in Agricultural Communications. Ph.D. 1998 University of Illinois at Chicago.

Social Media:

Twitter: @kevinfolta

Facebook: Facebook.com/kevinmfolta

Podcast: Talking Biotech Podcast www.talkingbiotech-podcast.com

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. 4-H Talent Revue Videos

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Member Presentations



Committee: 4-H & Youth Programming			
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm 4-H VETERINARY SCIENCE PROGRAM	Rachel Bearden	Carol Waters
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm CASE STUDIES FROM NEVADA AND WYOMING: BEEKEEPING CLUBS AT LOCAL AND STATE LEVELS FOR 4-H YOUTH	Lindsay Chichester	Carol Waters
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm YOUTH EDUCATION DURING COVID-19	Donna Aufdenberg	Janet Schmidt
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm PIVOTING CROP COMPETITIONS FROM AN IN-PERSON TO VIRTUAL FORMAT	Brandy Vandewalle	Janet Schmidt
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm ATTRACTING THE NEXT GENERATION OF AGRONOMISTS AND AG SCIENTISTS	Bill Burdine	Thomas Greenlee
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm TEACHING KIDS BEEF QUALITY ASSURANCE PRACTICES WITH ENGAGING AND HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES	Lauren Butler	Thomas Greenlee

Committee: Ag Issues			
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1 2:00 - 2:30 pm	THE GOOD MORNING FARMER PROGRAM	Ronald David Myers	Katie L Wantoch Cassie Yost
2 2:30 - 3:00 pm	GROWING OUR OWN: THE WV WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE	Emily Morrow	Katie L Wantoch Cassie Yost
3 3:00 - 3:30 pm	LESSONS LEARNED FOR COMMUNICATING WITH AND SUPPORTING DIRECT FOOD & AG MARKETING BUSINESSES DURING COVID-19	Eric E.Barrett	Katie L Wantoch Cassie Yost
4 3:30 - 4:00 pm	KEEPING STRESS LEVELS IN CHECK ON THE FARM	Glennis McClure and Brandy Vandewalle	Cassie Yost
5 4:00 - 4:30 pm	USE OF CANINES IN AGRICULTURAL BIOSECURITY	Samantha Gehrett	Cassie Yost
6 4:30 - 5:00 pm	DETERMINE WHERE PRODUCE FARMS FALL UNDER THE PRODUCE SAFETY RULE	Elena Toro Rogers	Cassie Yost

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5 4:00 - 4:30 pm	ATTRACTING THE NEXT GENERATION OF AGRONOMISTS AND AG SCIENTISTS	Bill Burdine	Thomas Greenlee
6 4:30 - 5:00 pm	TEACHING KIDS BEEF QUALITY ASSURANCE PRACTICES WITH ENGAGING AND HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES	Lauren Butler	Thomas Greenlee

Committee: Horticulture			
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	UTILIZING EXTENSION, A FLORIDA CITY WORKS TO REVOLUTIONIZE TREE PLANNING	Brooke L.Moffis Linda Chalker-Scott
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	MYTH BUSTING FOR EXTENSION EDUCATORS: REVIEWING THE LITERATURE ON SOIL NUTRITION	Linda Chalker-Scott Linda Chalker-Scott
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	CROSSING BORDERS: CONDUCTING VIRTUAL MULTI-STATE EXTENSION EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR THE GREEN INDUSTRY	Timothy Daly Linda Chalker-Scott
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	INVESTIGATING RABBITEYE BLUEBERRY (VACCINIUM ASHEI) CULTIVARS FOR SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTION IN ALABAMA	Elina D.Coneva Katie Kammler
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	MARKETING AND ORCHARD RESOURCE EFFICIENCY FOR OHIO PAWPAW PRODUCTION (MORE OHIO PAWPAW)	Brad Bergefurd Katie Kammler
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	END-POINT DETECTION OF PIERCE'S DISEASE IN WINE GRAPES USING RAPID TEST KITS	Clark Macallister Katie Kammler

Committee: Agronomy			
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	ADVANCING CORN SILAGE HYBRID EVALUATION	Joseph Lawrence Robert Goodson
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED FROM FOUR YEARS OF CORN POPULATION TRIALS IN OHIO & TUSCARAWAS COUNTY	Chris Zoller Robert Goodson
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	RESULTS OF EIGHT SITE-YEARS OF ON-FARM RESEARCH STUDIES INTERSEEDING COVER CROPS INTO CORN	Jennifer Rees Robert Goodson
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	EFFECTS OF CORN STALK BALING ON SOIL, YIELD, AND ANIMAL PERFORMANCE	Brad Schick Travis Harper
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	DETERMINING YIELD LOSS FROM DECTES STEM BORER IN SOYBEANS	Alan Leslie Travis Harper
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	TESTING PRECISION AG EQUIPMENT IN NEBRASKA ON-FARM RESEARCH TRIALS	Sarah A Sivits Travis Harper

Committee: Early Career				
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:	
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	HOW TO KEEP YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW – A NEW HIRE'S GUIDE TO SURVIVING CHOS	Lyssa Seefeldt	Danny Lauderdale or other ECD Vice Chair
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	DARN, I WISH I'D KNOWN THAT! IF I ONLY KNEW THEN WHAT I KNOW NOW	Pam Bennett	Danny Lauderdale or other ECD Vice Chair
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	CREATING A BRANDED CAMPAIGN TO SHARE YOUR (EDUCATIONAL) MESSAGE!	Olivia Saunders	Danny Lauderdale or other ECD Vice Chair
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	AN EXAMPLE OF OBTAINING GRANT TO LAUNCH A NEW EXTENSION PROGRAM	Xiurui 'Iris' Cui	Danny Lauderdale or other ECD Vice Chair
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	PUBLISHING AN ARTICLE IN THE JOURNAL OF NACAA	Dr. Donald A. Llewellyn	Danny Lauderdale or other ECD Vice Chair

Committee: Natural Resources				
Wednesday, July 7, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:	
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	DISCOVERING SCIENCE IN NATURE: THE GEOCACHING FOR YOUTH WORKSHOP	Dr.Brady Self	Ray Bodrey
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	NAVIGATING A CRISIS: PARK SYSTEM RESPONSE TO COVID-19 IN DEARBORN COUNTY, INDIANA	John Hawley	Ross Overstreet
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	INCREASED WILDFIRE DANGER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DUE TO HIGH RATES OF ABANDONED AVOCADO AND CITRUS ORCHARDS	Sonia I.Rios	Lindy Berg
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	NEBRASKA VIRTUAL GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE TOUR - ADJUSTING TO DISTANCE LEARNING	Katie Pekarek	Jody Gale
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	A TEAM APPROACH TO NATURAL RESOURCE EXTENSION IN THE MIDST OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC	Ray Bodrey	Anna Busch

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Committee: Teaching & Educational Technologies				
Wednesday, July 7, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	MAINTAINING EXPECTATIONS: CONVERTING OUR IN-PERSON NEW FARMER SCHOOL TO VIRTUAL	Kelly Mcadam, Jeremy Delisle, Jonathan Ebba, Nick Rowley	Kelly McGowen David Yates
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	SOUTHERN OHIO FARM SHOW: EXTENSION EDUCATION THROUGH TELEVISION AND DIGITAL MEDIA	Brooke Beam	Kelly McGowen David Yates
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	CREATING EDUCATIONAL VIDEOS ON A BUDGET TO REACH THOUSANDS	Taun Beddes	Kelly McGowen David Yates
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	VIRTUAL REALITY FIELD DEMONSTRATIONS FOR INCREASED ONLINE ENGAGEMENT	Brooke Beam	Kelly McGowen David Yates
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	LIVESTOCK EXTENSION PROGRAM DELIVERY MODES FOLLOWING COVID PANDEMIC	Bridget Stice	Kelly McGowen David Yates
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	"N" FIELD OBSERVATIONS: TWITTER AND VIDEOS	Amy Timmereman	Kelly McGowen David Yates

Life Member Activities (these activities will be Free on Zoom - link will be sent to registered Life Members)

2:00 p.m. EST Life Member Business Meeting and Memorial Service
 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Life Member Workshops

Thursday - July 8, 2021 (All times EST)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Coffee Connection (Chat time)
 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Member Presentations



Committee: Ag Economics				
Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:30 am	ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL IMPACTS OF AGRICULTURE IN SW IDAHO	Scott Jensen	Amanda Smith Richard Brzozowski
2	11:30 - 12:00 pm	IOWA ANNIE'S PROJECT: FULL CIRCLE LOGIC	Madeline Schultz	Amanda Smith Richard Brzozowski
3	12:00 - 12:30 pm	AGRIBUSINESS BASICS WORKSHOP SERIES	Blake Carter	Ashlee Westerhold Amanda Smith

Committee: Agronomy/Horticulture				
Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
7	11:30 - 12:00 pm	HORTICULTURE PRESENTATION: PRINCIPLES & APPLICATIONS OF PEST EXCLUSION SYSTEMS FOR SPECIALTY CROP PRODUCTION	Ayanava Majumdar	Patrick Byers
1	12:00 - 12:30 pm	DISTRIBUTION AND MANAGEMENT OF WIREWORMS IN WESTERN WASHINGTON ORGANIC VEGETABLE PRODUCTION	Brook Brouwer	Andrew Kness
2	12:30 - 1:00 pm	BEST STRATEGY TO MANAGE RHIZOCTONIA ROOT ROT IN SUGARBEET	Mohamed Khan	Andrew Kness

Committee: Animal Science				
Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 -11:30 am	REACHING WOMEN IN AG DURING A PANDEMIC THROUGH A NEW APPROACH TO AN ESTABLISHED PROGRAM	Amie Schleicher	Betsy Greene
2	11:30 - 12:00 pm	REACHING TRIBAL RANCHERS IN SAN CARLOS APACHE TRIBE	Juan Arias	Betsy Greene
3	12:00 - 12:30 pm	REACHING BEEF CATTLE PRODUCERS IN A VIRTUAL WORLD	Caitlin Bainum	Steve Morgan
4	12:30 - 1:00 pm	WINTER SUPPLEMENTATIONS SEMINAR	Lindsey Wiggins	Steve Morgan

Committee: Horticulture				
Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 -11:30 am	GARDEN JAVA VIRTUAL COMMUNITY EDUCATION SESSIONS	Heather Neikirk	Timothy Daly
2	11:30 - 12:00 pm	ZOOMING THROUGH THE BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES	Sherri Sanders	Timothy Daly
3	12:00 - 12:30 pm	ADAPTING PLANT IDENTIFICATION CLASSES TO A VIRTUAL FORMAT DURING THE COVID19 PANDEMIC	Emelie Swackhamer	Timothy Daly
4	12:30 - 1:00 pm	MASTER POLLINATOR STEWARD HYBRID COURSE	Jennifer Schutter	Timothy Daly

Committee: Sustainable Agriculture

Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:30 am	SUSTAINABILITY OF A HOMELESS SHELTER FARM: THE SIGNIFICANCE OF WOMEN IN MAJOR LEADERSHIP ROLES	Suzanne Mills-Wazniak	Christian Stephenson
2	11:30 - 12:00 pm	BIOMASS AND NUTRIENT PRODUCTION OF COVER CROP MIXES FOLLOWING WHEAT AND CEREAL RYE FOLLOWING CORN OR SOYBEANS IN EASTERN NEBRASKA	Gary Lesoing	Christian Stephenson
3	12:00 - 12:30 pm	EFFECTS AND ECONOMICS OF A LONG-TERM CROPPING SYSTEM, COVER CROP AND GRAZING STUDY	Jennifer Rees	Christian Stephenson

Committee: Teaching & Educational Technologies

Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
7	12:00 - 12:30 pm	UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND EXTENSION WINTER CROP PRODUCTION MEETINGS GO VIRTUAL	Jennifer Rhodes	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight
8	12:30 - 1:00 pm	EMPOWERING HISPANICS IN URBAN AREAS TO IMPROVE THEIR FOOD SECURITY	Juan Cabrera-Garcia	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight

1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Virtual Tours

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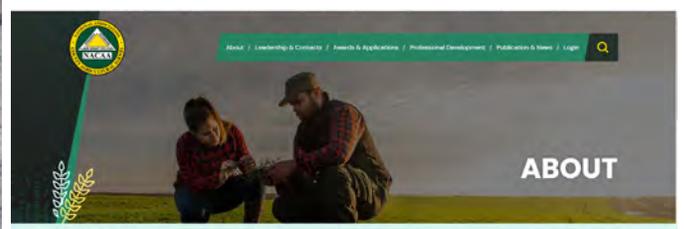
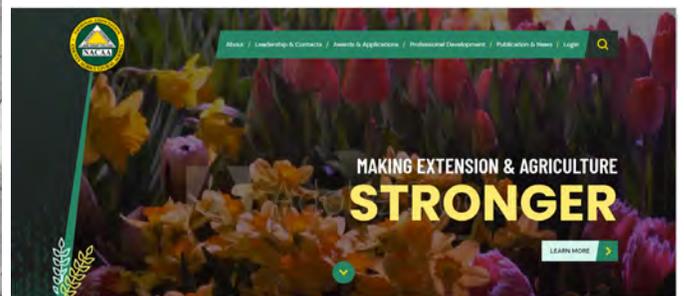
1. Fisheries and Aquaculture on the eastern seaboard.
2. Hemp Production and cash crops in Pennsylvania.
3. Mushroom Production, how do they grow in the Mushroom capital of the USA.
4. Dairy Production, large and small farms in the east.
5. Equine Production, Eastern horse farm tours.

1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Live Exhibitor Hall
(Meet Exhibitors)

2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Member Presentations

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Committee: 4-H & Youth Programming

Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	RAISING YOUR MARKET ANIMAL - A VIRTUAL CAMP	Caitlin Bainum	Shannon Dill
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	WEED AND GRASS IDENTIFICATION PROGRAMMING FOR 4-H YOUTH	Sarah Sivits	Shannon Dill
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	AG EXPLORATIONS: PROVIDING HANDS-ON LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREER EXPLORATION FOR AREA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS	Rebecca Vittetoe	Melissa Henry
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	CAREER AND WORKFORCE READINESS THROUGH COLLABORATIVE SMALL RUMINANT APPLIED RESEARCH 4-H PROGRAMS	Ashley Travis	Melissa Henry
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	YOUTH BIOSECURITY EDUCATION COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS	Betsy Greene	Melissa Henry

Committee: Ag Issues

Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
7	2:00 - 2:30 pm	STRATEGIES FOR NAVIGATING DIFFICULT ISSUES; WATER4AG	Nicole Santangelo Carutis and Jessica Groskopf	Paul Pugliese and Cassie Yost
8	2:30 - 3:00 pm	THE CURRENT STATE OF URBAN AGRICULTURE AND EXTENSION AND RESEARCH NEEDS IN THE NORTHEAST U.S	Neith Grace Little	Paul Pugliese and Cassie Yost
9	3:00 - 3:30 pm	INDUSTRIAL HEMP IN OHIO – FIBER AND CBD OPPORTUNITIES	Lee Beers	Paul Pugliese and Cassie Yost
10	3:30 - 4:00 pm	MOTIVATIONAL INTERVIEWING AS A TOOL TO ADDRESS FARM STRESS AND TRANSITIONS	Katie L Wantoch	Timothy Fine and Cassie Yost
11	4:00 - 4:30 pm	USING COLLABORATION TO ADDRESS FOOD INSECURITY	Amanda Bennett and Alisha Barton	Timothy Fine and Cassie Yost
12	4:30 - 5:00 pm	WASHINGTON STATE AGRABILITY: BUILDING A NEW EXTENSION PROGRAM DURING COVID-19	Don W Mcmoran	Timothy Fine and Cassie Yost

Committee: Ag Economics				
Thursday, July 8, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:	
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	FARM OFFICE LIVE - HELPING OHIO FARMS AND AGRIBUSINESSES NAVIGATE THE CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC	David Marrison	Richard Brzozowski & Chris Prevatt
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	BOOTS-2-BUSHEL: BOOT CAMP FOR MARKET GARDENERS AND FARMERS	Anne Devin	Richard Brzozowski & Chris Prevatt
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	DEVELOPING A COMMUNITY OF NEW FARMERS BASED ON NEEDS	Hannah Wooten	Chris Prevatt & Madeline Schultz
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	THE NEXT BIG THING - HOW DO EDUCATORS RESPOND TO NEW AND EMERGING CROPS?	Lee Beers	Chris Prevatt & Madeline Schultz
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	CONSERVATION AND ECONOMIC VIABILITY ON VERMONT SMALL FARMS	Mark Cannella	Madeline Schultz & Ashlee Westerhold
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	COMPETING LAND USE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: SOLAR AND DAIRY	Joseph Lawrence	Madeline Schultz & Ashlee Westerhold

Committee: Agronomy				
Thursday, July 8, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:	
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	ALFALFA, APHIDS, AND INSECTICIDES: CONTROL, ATTRACTION, AND REPELLENCY?	Michael D Rethwisch	Andrew Kness
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	CANOLA'S IMPACT ON KEY SOIL HEALTH CHARACTERISTICS IN CEREAL GRAIN SYSTEMS	Aaron D Esser	Andrew Kness
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	SUSTAINABLE FUNGICIDE AND NITROGEN MANAGEMENT TO MALTING BARLEY	Jerry Clark	Steve Van Vleet
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	ECONOMIC INJURY LEVEL OF THRIPS IN ALFALFA AND SMALL GRAINS	Reed Findlay	Steve Van Vleet
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	SEARCHING FOR ANSWERS IN BAHIA GRASS SEED FIELDS WITH TIMED HEXAZINONE APPLICATIONS	Clay Cooper	Steve Van Vleet
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	SOIL-TEST K SPATIAL VARIABILITY AND K LOSS VIA WATER RUNOFF IN ARKANSAS	Matt Fryer	Steve Van Vleet

Committee: Animal Science			
Thursday, July 8, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	UW MADISON DIVISION OF EXTENSION'S BEEF SPREADSHEET TOOLS FOR IMPROVING MANAGEMENT DECISIONS	Bill Halfman Andrew Sandeen
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	TOOLS FOR DAIRY RISK MANAGEMENT	Jason Hartschuh Andrew Sandeen
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	REGIONAL YOUTH LIVESTOCK FIELD DAYS: A SUCCESSFUL EXTENSION MODEL EDUCATING YOUTH AND ADULTS FROM MULTIPLE COUNTIES AND STATES	Janet Schmidt Mark Heitstuman
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	PURDUE EXTENSION REACHING A GLOBAL SMALL RUMINANT AUDIENCE	Elysia Rodgers Mark Heitstuman
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	VIRTUAL CONNECTIONS: TACKLING DYSTOCIA WITH SHEEP AND GOATS PRODUCERS	Jacci Smith Karl Hoppe
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	COMPARISON OF RAM, WETHER AND SHORT-SCROTUM RAM LAMBS	Susan Schoenian Karl Hoppe

Committee: Horticulture			
Thursday, July 8, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	ENGAGING VERSUS MANAGING EXTENSION MASTER GARDENER VOLUNTEERS: THERE IS A DIFFERENCE	Pam Bennett Julie Kikkert
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	YOUTH EDUCATION DURING COVID-19	Donna Aufdenberg Julie Kikkert
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	HORTICULTURE TOWN HALL MEETING	Debi Kelly Julie Kikkert
4	3:30 - 4:00 pm	WEST VIRGINIA'S GROW THIS! PROGRAM INCORPORATES HORTICULTURAL PRODUCTION AND NUTRITIONAL EDUCATION	Jodi Richmond Patrick Byers
5	4:00 - 4:30 pm	PARTNERING WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN VEGETABLE GARDENING	Pam Bennett Patrick Byers
6	4:30 - 5:00 pm	THE URBAN FARM DEMONSTRATION GARDEN AT THE UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY BOTANICAL CENTER	Sheriden Hansen Patrick Byers

Committee: Leadership & Admin. Skills

Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:30 pm	A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE – INCORPORATING FARMS VISITS INTO INTERVIEWS	Lee Beers	Ed Martin
2	2:30 - 3:00 pm	MAXIMIZING YOUR LEADERSHIP TOOLBOX	Connie L. Strunk	Ed Martin
3	3:00 - 3:30 pm	LEADING THROUGH ADVERSITY: A REFLECTION OF A YEAR OF EXTENSION LEADERSHIP IN A GLOBAL PANDEMIC	Nick Simmons	Ed Martin
4	3:30 - 4:30 pm	IDEAS (INCLUSION, DIVERSITY, EQUITY, ACCESS AND SOLUTIONS) FOR TODAY'S NACAA	NACAA DEI ADVISORY GROUP COMMITTEE MEMBERS	NACAA DEI Advisory Group Representatives

Committee: Teaching & Educational Technologies

Thursday, July 8, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
9	2:00 - 2:30 pm	COMMERCIAL HORTICULTURE VIDEO NEWSLETTER- AN INNOVATIVE EDUCATIONAL DELIVERY TOOL	Justin Keay	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight
10	2:30 - 3:00 pm	CONNECTING VIRTUALLY: ENHANCING LEARNING WITH STOP MOTION ANIMATION AND OTHER VISUAL SIMULATIONS	Rob Leeds	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight
11	3:00 - 3:30 pm	GARDENING IN THE PANHANDLE: LIVE! A LESSON IN HARNESSING TEAMWORK AND TECHNOLOGY TO BETTER REACH CLIENTELE	Daniel Leonard	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight
12	3:30 - 4:00 pm	CROP SCOUTING PROGRAMMING FOR UNDERSERVED AUDIENCES IN AGRICULTURE	Sara Sivits	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight
13	4:00 - 4:30 pm	WEED WEDNESDAY ON FLORIDA CATTLEMEN'S ASSOCIATION SNAPCHAT	Lindsey Wiggins	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight
14	4:30 - 5:00 pm	USING SOCIAL MEDIA FOR EFFECTIVE EXTENSION EDUCATION	Adriane Good	Sergio Arispe Colt Knight



6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Virtual Wine & Cheese Tasting Event (separate registration) HELD IN SEPARATE ZOOM SESSION FOR PAID REGISTRANTS

Friday - July 9, 2021 (All times EST)

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Coffee Connection (Chat time)

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Search For Excellence Presentations & Ag Awareness and Appreciation Award



Committee: Search For Excellence Young, Beginning, or Small Farmers/Ranchers

Friday, July 9, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:20 am	NETX LIVE IN THE FIELD	Chase Brooke	Chris Zoller
2	11:20 - 11:30 am	SO, YOU THINK YOU CAN FARM? ENTREPRENEURSHIP SERIES FOR BEGINNING FARMERS	Tatiana Sanchez	Chris Zoller
3	11:30 - 11:40 am	TENNESSEE BEGINNING FARMER OUTREACH PROGRAM	Karla Kean	Chris Zoller
4	11:40 - 11:50 am	PRACTICAL YF&R PROGRAMMING IN THE CENTRAL KANSAS DISTRICT	Cade Rensink	Chris Zoller

Committee: Search For Excellence 4-H & Youth Programming

Friday, July 9, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:20 am	SURRY-YADKIN VIRTUAL POLLINATION STATION	Joanna Radford	Jesse Fulbright
2	11:20 - 11:30 am	VIRTUAL FARM FIELD TRIP	Allie Logan	Jesse Fulbright
3	11:30 - 11:40 am	NEBRASKA SCIENTIST FIELD TRIPS	Brandy VanDeWalle	Jesse Fulbright
4	11:40 - 11:50 am	CLEMSON UNIVERSITY YOUTH ACADEMY OF LIVESTOCK LEARNING	Alana West	Jesse Fulbright

Committee: Search For Excellence Sustainable Agriculture			
Friday, July 9, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:20 am	THE DIRT ON SOIL HEALTH: VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING FOR PRODUCERS FOR IMPROVING SOIL HEALTH	Mary Griffith Amber Yutzy
2	11:20 - 11:30 am	FACILITATING THE ADOPTION OF BMPS THROUGH ON-FARM NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT TRIALS IN NORTH FLORIDA	Jay Capasso Amber Yutzy
3	11:30 - 11:40 am	NEBRASKA COVER CROP AND SOIL HEALTH PROGRAM	Michael Sindelar Amber Yutzy
4	11:40 - 11:50 am	RED CEDAR DEMONSTRATION FARM ANNUAL FALL COVER CROP PROGRAM	Katie Wantoch Amber Yutzy

Committee: Search For Excellence Crop Production			
Friday, July 9, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:20 am	SMALL PLOT PEANUT FUNGICIDE EFFICACY TRIALS IN NORTH FLORIDA	Keith Wynn Linda McClanahan
2	11:20 - 11:30 am	DRONES IN AGRICULTURE	Jason DeKoff Linda McClanahan
3	11:30 - 11:40 am	IMPROVING YIELDS AND PROFITABILITY IN NE ALABAMA	Eddie McGriff Linda McClanahan
4	11:40 - 11:50 am	BADGER CROP CONNECT	Daniel Marzu Linda McClanahan

Ag Awareness & Appreciation Award			
Friday, July 9, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	11:00 - 11:20 am	MOUNTAIN AGRICULTURE FESTIVAL	Kara Harders Mark Platten Tyrone Fisher
2	11:20 - 11:30 am	VIRTUAL TOWN HALL MEETINGS	James Humphrey Tyrone Fisher
3	11:30 - 11:40 am	LIGHTS, CAMERA, TRACTORS!	Ginger Fenton Tyrone Fisher
4	11:40 - 11:50 am	BROWN BAG LECTURE SERIES	Sherri Sanders Tyrone Fisher

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6. Crop Production in Pennsylvania and the east coast, hay, grain and silage production will be highlighted.
7. Open Gate Farm Tour, on farm food stand markets.
8. Livestock Production, Beef and Poultry.
9. Fruit/Cider-How is this Tree crop and new industry helping farms?
10. Vegetable Production- Tour small and large vegetable farms in Central Pennsylvania and the east.

**1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Live Exhibitor Hall
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1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Virtual Tours

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Search For Excellence Presentations

Committee: Search For Excellence Consumer or Commercial Horticulture				
Friday, July 9, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:20 pm	INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT (IPM) SCOUTING WORKSHOPS IMPROVE SKILLS OF GREENHOUSE/NURSERY EMPLOYEES	Liz Felter	Amy-Lynn Albertson
2	2:20 - 2:30 pm	USING SOCIAL MEDIA AND BOOTS ON THE GROUND TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC ON HORTICULTURE	Sherri Sanders	Amy-Lynn Albertson
3	2:30 - 2:40 pm	SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION TO VIRTUAL HORTICULTURE & GARDENING	Nicasio Usabel	Amy-Lynn Albertson
4	2:40 - 2:50 pm	TRANSITIONING PESTICIDE CREDIT BEARING CONTINUING EDUCATION MEETINGS TO ONLINE FORMATS DURING THE COVID19 PANDEMIC	Megan Muehlbauer	Amy-Lynn Albertson

Committee: Search For Excellence Livestock Production				
Friday, July 9, 2021		Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:20 pm	SMALL FLOCK EDUCATION FOR HOBBY PRODUCERS	Robyn Stewart	Amber Yutzky
2	2:20 - 2:30 pm	STAYING UP-TO-DATE ON WORM CONTROL DURING PANDEMIC	Susan Schoenian	Amber Yutzky
3	2:30 - 2:40 pm	SAN CARLOS APACHE RANCHER PROGRAM	Juan Arias	Amber Yutzky
4	2:40 - 2:50 pm	UF/IFAS FLORIDA EQUINE INSTITUTE & ALLIED TRADE SHOW	Caitlin Bainum	Amber Yutzky

Committee: Search For Excellence Farm & Ranch Business Management			
Friday, July 9, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:20 pm	FARM FINANCIAL SKILLS FOR KANSAS WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE	Cade Rensink
2	2:20 - 2:30 pm	FARM & RANCH SUCCESSION	Jake Hadfield
3	2:30 - 2:40 pm	FIRST AID/CPR TRAINING: IMPROVING FARM SAFETY FOR H2A WORKERS ON TOBACCO FARMS	Iris Cui
4	2:40 - 2:50 pm	VIRTUAL FARM BILL EDUCATION FOR 2021	Mary Giffith

Committee: Search For Excellence Environmental Quality, Forestry & Natural Resources			
Friday, July 9, 2021	Presentation Title	Presenter	Moderating:
1	2:00 - 2:20 pm	ARIZONA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION RANGELAND MONITORING PROGRAM	Andrew Brischke
2	2:20 - 2:30 pm	MARYLAND WATERSHED STEWARDS ACADEMY	Jacqueline Takacs
3	2:30 - 2:40 pm	HORSE FARM BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES - HOW DOES YOUR FARM MEASURE UP?	Caitlin Bainum
4	2:40 - 2:50 pm	COLUMBIA COUNTY ENVIRONMENT MATTERS SERIES	Tripp J. Williams

3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Lounge Time/Free Time - Check out the Posters... Enjoy!

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Closing Session

NACAA is pleased to announce that Jennie Schmidt, MS, RD will be our Capstone speaker for the 2021 NACAA AM/PIC on July 9th, 2021.

Jennie Schmidt, MS, RD

Jennie will share with us Her story of farming on the eastern shore of Maryland and balancing farm / family and international commodity group time. Jennie is part of Schmidt Farms Inc., in

Sudlersville, Maryland. Together with her brother in law, manage a 3rd generation family farm growing grains, vegetables, and wine grapes on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. When she's not on a tractor, Jennie is a state and national agriculture leader having served as the first female board member and first female president of the Maryland Grain Producers



Utilization Board, and currently serves as the Maryland delegate to the U.S. Grains Council and on the nominating committee of the National Corn Growers Association. She is a national and international speaker telling the story of food and farming. She is passionate about connecting people with food and farming, emphasizing the importance of global food access and the importance of sustainability in our food supply.

Jennie whose first career was as a Registered Dietitian, holds a BS in Human Nutrition and International Agriculture from UMASS and an MS degree from the University of Delaware in Human Nutrition with a focus on Food and Agricultural Biotechnology. Dietitian turned Farmer, Notill farmer of corn/ soybeans/green beans/processing tomatoes/wine grapes and the Past President of the Maryland Grain Producers Utilization board.

Social Media:

- Schmidt Farms of Eastern Shore Maryland
- Twitter: @FarmGirlJen
- Facebook: The Foodie Farmer @DirtDietitian
- Email: thefoodiefarmer@gmail.com
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Tomatoes

<https://www.furmanos.com/schmidt-family-farms>

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- Burying livestock
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