

Conference Presenters



Mike Hutjens, PhD

Dr. Mike Hutjens is Professor Emeritus at the University of Illinois, Department of Animal Sciences. Raised on a dairy farm near Green Bay, Wis., Dr. Hutjens has spoken at conferences in 46 states, nine Canadian provinces and more than 15 foreign countries. His primary disciplines are production and environmental management and nutrition. In addition to writing feed columns for numerous dairy and farm publications, he has co-authored a "Principles of Dairy Science" textbook and is the editor of the National Dairy Database and Illinois Dairy Report.



Randy Shaver, PhD

Dr. Randy Shaver is on the faculty in the Department of Dairy Science, University of Wisconsin-Madison, with an extension and research appointment. His programs focus on applied nutrition of lactating dairy cattle. He has been an invited speaker for dairy producer and feed industry audiences in 12 countries. Awards he has received include ADSA Nutrition Professionals Applied Dairy Nutrition Award, ADSA DeLaval Dairy Extension Award, ADSA Pioneer Hi-Bred Forage Award and UW-Madison CALS Pound Extension Excellence Award.


Mark Hagedorn

Mark Hagedorn is the Agriculture Agent for Eau Claire County UW-Extension, specializing in dairy herd management, livestock production and forage crop production. Mark received his Masters of Science degree from Iowa State University and his Bachelor's degree in dairy science from Northwest Missouri State University.

Milo Wiltbank, PhD

Dr. Milo Wiltbank is a member of the faculty at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Department of Dairy Science. He has more than 170 peer-reviewed research publications in many areas of reproduction, including interactions of nutrition and reproduction. He earned his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Utah and his PhD at the University of Michigan, followed by post-doctoral training in Colorado.

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9:30 a.m. Registration

10:00 a.m. Feeding Strategies Going into the Winter — Dr. Mike Hutjens

The spring and summer forage growing season has been challenging for many dairy managers, and all of this after the drought stress of 2012. With forage inventories on dairy farms reduced, Dr. Hutjens will offer strategies and alternatives for different scenarios, share a summary of by-product feeds and deliver a fuzzy cottonseed outlook. A critical eye will be on income-over-feed costs, feed efficiency and profit margins.

11:00 a.m. What's the Latest on Carbohydrates for Dairy Cows? — Dr. Randy Shaver

Dairy cattle rations are 50%-80% carbohydrates. They drive milk production, impact cow health, feed costs and your bottom line. Dr. Shaver will explore fiber and non-fiber carbohydrates with an emphasis on starch and its digestibility.

Noon Lunch

12:30 p.m. Real Herds. . .Real Heifers: The Costs of Raising Replacements — Mark Hagedorn

Calculating the costs associated with raising dairy calves and heifers is an essential part of dairy business management. Mark will share the results of a 2013 field research study that used the Intuitive Cost of Production Analysis (ICPA) model to calculate, estimate and prorate herd replacement rearing cost and labor efficiencies. The model provides an efficient mechanism to uncouple herd replacement enterprise cost from lactating cow cost, resulting in information specific for producers and their herd replacement enterprise.

1:15 p.m. Interactions between Nutrition and Reproduction in Dairy Cattle — Dr. Milo Wiltbanks

This session is all about key interactions between nutrition and reproduction in cows. Dr. Wiltbanks will discuss the major effects of inadequate nutrition on initiation of ovarian cycles and during the early post-partum period. He'll also summarize how high feed intake can impact reproduction by increasing metabolism of hormones. Plus, he'll hit upon his recent work with methionine and the effect of various nutritional components on reproduction.

2:15 p.m. Break

2:30 p.m. Feeding the 40,000-lb. Cow Herd — Dr. Mike Hutjens and producer panelists Doug Block, Hunter Haven Farms, Pearl City, IL and Jeremy Natzke, Wayside Dairy Farm Inc., Greenleaf, WI.

This session will challenge you to "find" the next 10 pounds of milk in your dairy. Items under the microscope include feeding program, milk components, on-farm tools, reproductive impact, somatic cell count, grouping choices, dry cow strategies, feed additives and other management factors. Panel members will add their points of success and changes they would consider to achieve that next 10 pounds of milk.

4:00 p.m. Conclude

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