Register for the Next Generation Summit

Sunday, Aug. 4 | 1:30 – 5:30 p.m. | Van Meter

Through workshops and networking, this FREE event brings aspiring, beginning farmers, experienced farmers and landowners working toward farm succession in a meaningful way to steward the next generation of farmers.

The next generation summit includes two workshops aimed at helping farmland owners and beginning or aspiring farmers develop a plan to fulfill their farm visions. Farmland owners will work on setting goals that can help them move toward a farmland legacy reflecting their values.

Aspiring and beginning farmers will establish goals and action items to help start their farming business. They will leave with the tools to focus their goals and make connections that will help them in accessing land and building their farming business.

Register Today

Land access shared learning call

Tuesday, Aug. 6 | noon

We have created a shared learning call for beginning farmers who are in years 6-10 of their operation. This call is designed to allow farmers to share their experience and foster a peer-to-peer learning environment.

Farmers in this stage have identified needing support with land access as one of their top barriers. Often they look to lease or purchase farmland near their existing farm to scale up. Building connections with
neighbors and the local community can be an effective way of identifying and securing farmland.

Donna Warhover of Mt. Vernon and Aaron White of Carlisle have volunteered to start this conversation. They will share the tips and tricks that they have found to work in acquiring the land they needed. This conversation cannot happen without you. Join us at noon on August 6 to join this conversation around land access.

You can join by computer or phone
Computer: [https://zoom.us/j/742248210](https://zoom.us/j/742248210)
Phone: (929) 205-6099 Meeting ID: 742 248 210

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Check out these resources for beginning farmers

We have recently updated our collection of business, financial, production, and technical assistance resources to help aspiring and beginning farmers further their business goals. **You can access them by clicking on the icons below.**

We will continue to build this list and add new resources as they are available. If you see any resources missing that you find helpful please share them with us. You can send them to Greg Padget at [greg@practicalfarmers.org](mailto:greg@practicalfarmers.org).

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**Regenerative Farming Fellowship**

Stone Barns Center is introducing their pilot Regenerative Farming Fellowship. The RFF provides medium-scale farmers transitioning to regenerative farming practices with education, a supportive peer cohort, and the inspiration, leadership and advocacy skills they need to bring about structural change. Applications are now open.

**Agritourism Checklists Help Measure Risk**

Iowa State University Extension and Outreach has put together six checklists that help agritourism operators be aware of liability risks. The checklists cover bio-security, emergency preparedness, food safety, pesticide safety, play area safety, and negligence mitigation. The checklists are available online.

**Organic Weed Control Video Series**

This series features knowledge from farmers who cultivate corn and soybeans, and aims to share that information with farmers looking to relearn this skill, start farming organically -- or who simply wish to add a new method of weed control to their arsenal.

**2019 Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Program**

The Beginning Farmer Tax Credit Program was enacted by the Iowa legislature during the 2006 legislative session as an incentive to keep land in production agriculture, by allowing agricultural asset owners to earn tax credit for leasing their land to beginning farmers. The program includes tax credit for the leasing of agricultural land, depreciable machinery or equipment and buildings. **Deadline for 2019 applications is August 1, 2019.**

**Farm for Sale near Tama**

For sale is six acres formally used to raise pasture pork. There are two main field areas that each have water and electric access. This property includes many features such as several mature apple trees, a cedar-shingled chicken coop and several sheds around the property. The original 1890 farm house has been completely remodeled with all new
plumbing and electric, new kitchen, and new bathrooms. There is an insulated attached 3 car garage with a heater.

**Farm Financial Planning Program**
Farm Financial Planning is Iowa State University Extension and Outreach's farm financial analysis program. It consists of one-on-one financial counseling, a computerized analysis of the farm business, and referral to other extension programs or outside services that may be useful. This service is currently offered at no charge. It is funded by the Agricultural Credit School, a program of ISU Extension and Outreach and the Iowa Bankers Association.

**POLL: Are you looking for farmland?**
Select your response below

- I am looking for land to rent
- Select
- I am looking for land to purchase
- Select
- I am looking for land to either purchase or rent
- Select
- I have the farmland I need
- Select

**UPCOMING PFI EVENTS**

**July 17:** Field Day - [Soil Health Workshop](#)
9 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. | Grundy Center

**July 17:** Field Day - [On-Farm Prairie & Insect Habitat](#)
10 a.m. - Noon | Sutherland

**July 17:** Field Day - [Organic Row Crops](#)
1-3 p.m. | Sutherland

**July 19:** Field Day - [Commercial Hair Sheep](#)
10 a.m. - 1 p.m. | Blakesburg

**July 23:** Field Day - [RAGBRAI at Howell's Greenhouse](#)
8 a.m. - Noon | Cumming

**Aug. 3:** Field Day - [Agroforestry](#)
10 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Maxwell

**Aug. 4:** Workshop - [Next Generation Summit](#)
1:30-5:30 p.m. | Van Meter

**Aug. 6:** Field Day - [Soil Health](#)
2-7 p.m. | Buckingham

**Aug. 7:** Field Day - [Growing Chestnuts](#)
1-3 p.m. | Columbus Junction

**View even more events on our calendar**

**Labor4Learning**
Labor4Learning helps beginning farmers get paid on-the-job training with experienced farmers, and pays experienced farmers for their time and effort.
**Saving Incentive Program**

Savings Incentive Program is a 2-year program that pairs beginning and aspiring farmers with experienced farmer mentors; provides targeted learning and peer networking opportunities; offers business planning support and guidance. All this while you save money and then we match it dollar for dollar up to $2,400, to use toward the purchase of a farm asset.

[Check out more information](#)

**Find A Farmer**

Find A Farmer allows for a comfortable place to start anonymous conversations with land-seekers or landowners. Search for users in a particular area that fit your specifications and begin the discussion.

Find A Farmer is FREE and available for anyone with internet access! No membership is required.

[Check out more and see land available](#)