January 13, 2004
Appleseed Room (A)

Moderator: Jim Lake, Conservation Program Specialist, Soil and Water Education Program, Purdue University

10:00 am
Grain Market Outlook
• A First Look at the Latest USDA Crop Report
  Jon Cavanaugh, Marketing Director, Central States Enterprises, Inc.
  David Kohli, Market Analyst, Ford & Young Futures

11:00 am
Soil Health and Sustainability
• Building organic matter and sequestering carbon
  Dan Towery, Natural Resource Specialist, CTIC USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service

1:00 pm
Farm Program Updates
• Farm Bill Offers New Programs and Opportunities
  Jane Hardisty, State Conservationist USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service
  John Nidlinger, State Executive Director USDA, Farm Service Agency

1:30 pm
Do Ag BMPs Improve Water Quality?
• DeKalb County watershed research project evaluates Best Management Practices’ effectiveness
  Jane Loomis, Executive Director, Saint Joseph River Watershed Initiative

2:30 pm
Managing Farm Risks
• Lease arrangements and management alternatives
  Howard Halderman, President, Halderman Farm Management
• Linking commodity options with crop insurance
  Mike Gaynier, Agent/Owner, Spartan Insurance Agency, LLC

January 14, 2004
Appleseed Room (A)

Moderators: Steve Engleking / Gonzalee Martin, Educators, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service

10:00 am
Grain Market Outlook
• Agricultural Markets Update
  Mike Swanson Ph.D., Economics Department, Wells Fargo & Co.

11:00 am
Alternative Agriculture Grants
• A look at State and USDA grants
  Kathy Altman, Director, Value-Added Business Development and Marketing, Purdue CES
  Jerry Hay, Cooperative Specialist, Indiana USDA, Rural Development

1:00 pm
Starting New Agricultural Ventures (Panel)
• Farmers with successful new agricultural ventures and marketing techniques share their experiences, that can help make your business a success.
  Harley Bontrager, Member, Clearspring Vegetable Growers and Produce Auction
  Clark and Kathy Bromley, Owner, Paint Brush Farms
  Peter Cook, Owner, Cook’s Bison Ranch and Buffalo Pete’s Deli Cafe
  Alan Yegerlehner, Owner, The Swiss Connection
  Joan Fulton, Specialist, Marketing and Agribusiness, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service
  Jerry Nelson, New Ventures Educator, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service

3:30 pm
Grain & Livestock Market Outlook
• A Closer Look At Market Opportunities
  Chris Hurt, Specialist, Livestock and Meat Marketing, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service

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5:00 pm
On-site Sewage Alternatives
• New on-site waste disposal system alternatives
  Gary Chapple, Director of Pollution Control Ft. Wayne-Allen County Department of Health

6:00 pm
Pond Construction and Management
• Pond design, layout, stocking and weed control tips
  Cory Wolfe, Technical Team Engineer, USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service
  Bill Horan, Extension Educator Purdue Cooperative Extension Service

January 15, 2004
Appleseed Room (A)

Moderator: Val Slack, Extension Educator, Purdue Cooperative Extension Service

10:00 am
Grain Market Outlook
• Forecasting Today’s Market Uncertainty
  Steve Beier, Senior Account Manager, Marvin Hodgson, Manager, Agri Partners
  The Andersons, Inc.

11:00 am
Urban Expansion/Urban Encroachment
• Dealing with city-reared neighbors with sensitive noses that wrinkle easily
  Joe Tutterow, Director, Indiana Land Resources Council

1:00 pm
Using Living Wills, Trusts and Estates
• Land vs. Stocks; Where to Invest
  Denny Treece, Trust Officer Wells Fargo and Co.
"In the Know...On the Go"
(Continued)

5:00 pm
Keys to a Strong Family
• Most families do have the capacity to grow "stronger". Learn the secrets of caring families...those who make good times better and tough times more endurable, plus those who strive to make life meaningful for each family member. Create that "unshakable bond" where you strive to make your family the best it can be.
Presenter: Judi Merkel

6:00 pm
Tip Offs to Rip Offs
• Have you been a victim of a rip off? Learn about con-artists, scams to be aware of and those "nerves" we should always remember when an opportunity comes our way. Are you aware of your rights and responsibilities if you are a victim of a rip off?
Presenter: Cindy Barnett

7:00 pm
Computerized Accounting to Keep Financial Records
• Computerized accounting is useful to maintain income and expense records and preparing tax forms or financial records. Become aware of features and capabilities of software to computerize records..
Presenter: Vickie Hadley

Moderator: Kendra Freeman

1:00 pm
Food Irradiation-2003 Style
• Learn how to: identify irradiated foods; what is actually happening when food is irradiated; and what irradiation does for and to foods.
Presenters: Joanie Younce and Karen Richey

2:00 pm
Dining with Diabetes
• Does a member of your family have diabetes? Is planning meals a struggle? Join us for an introduction to a cooking school that may be right for you.
Presenters: Trisha Hockemeyer and Beth Green

3:00 pm
Aging Nutritionally Sound
• Session explains a nutrient guide for adults. As we advance in age our nutrient needs require fewer calories, but in some cases an increase of several nutrients. Thus nutrient density foods are vital, and smart eating is key to keeping our bodies running at their peak efficiency as decades pass.
Presenter: Delores Hippensteel

4:00 pm
Angling Indiana-Choose Seafood Wisely
Fresh fish-you bet, but beware of eating that "big" catch. Learn the concerns about eating fish from Indiana waters. Find out how to evaluate the safe fish from your favorite fishing stream.
Presenter: Delores Hippensteel

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