

Minimizing Risk on Livestock & Poultry Operations

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In the Livestock and Poultry Environmental Learning Community, we are well aware that @#\$% happens. Insurance is a means for providing some protection from both foreseen and unforeseen forces. While accidents are never pleasant, we can **learn from past events to prevent, as best as possible, these misfortunes in the future.** The speakers will share stories of events in barns and during manure hauling, and how these events interweave with standards and premiums. The speakers will share **insights on private and public insurance programs** related to livestock production and manure management.

An application for continuing education credit for Certified Crop Advisors (CCAs) and members of the American Registry of Professional Animal Scientists (ARPAS) will be submitted.

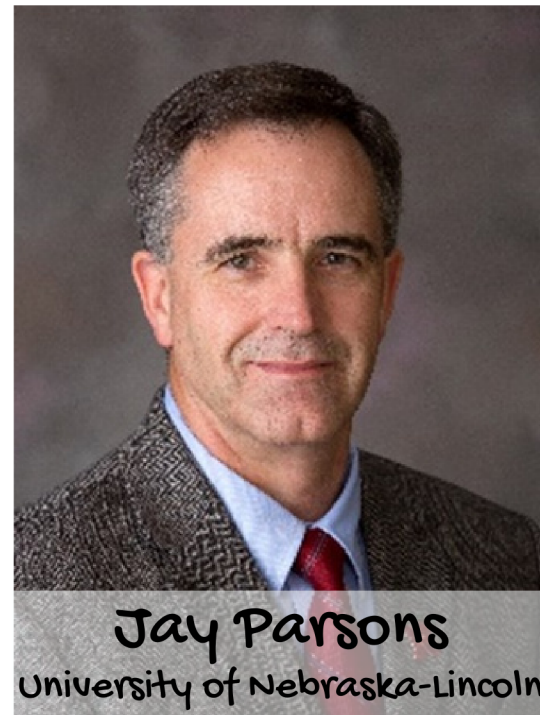
Mike Keenan is a Risk Control Manager at Gallagher. He works with clients to **identify hazards and loss exposures to reduce losses and enhance the health and safety of their employees.** With past experience as a safety consultant, he is actively engaged in promoting agriculture safety and health, including **involvement with the National Fire Protection Association 150 Standard Technical Committee.** Mike will share learned experiences from on-farm losses to reduce the risk of future accidents.
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Tom Piepkow grew up on a large 3rd generation dairy farm in Michigan, learning the qualities of discipline and work ethic at a young age. Tom enlisted in the U.S. Army and served 20 years in active and reserve status in the Michigan Army National Guard with numerous job assignments and deployments and was honorably discharged as a 1st Lieutenant. After his military service Tom came back to agriculture in Michigan as a head grower and general manager of a large scale 15-acre hydroponic greenhouse growing vegetables. Tom also **works for Farm Bureau Insurance of Michigan as a Risk & Safety Management Representative.** here. Email: tpiepko@fbinsmi.com



Erin Cortus is an Associate Professor and Extension Engineer in the Department of Bioproducts and Biosystems Engineering at the University of Minnesota. Her past and ongoing projects include measuring the air quality impacts of different manure management practices in dairy, poultry, swine and beef cattle barns, biosecurity, and sustainability metrics. The broad mission of Dr. Cortus' program is to work with producers and communities to understand and continually improve the quality and productivity of livestock environments. **Erin will serve as the moderator for this webinar.** Email: ecortus@umn.edu



Dr. Jay Parsons is a Professor and Farm and Ranch Management Specialist at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. He specializes in **farm and ranch management decision making, risk management, and production systems analysis.** Jay is also active in interdisciplinary research and extension work at UNL evaluating economically sustainable and resilient systems for integrated crop and livestock production in Nebraska. As a founding member of the multi-state RightRisk Education Team, he has over 20 years of experience helping farmers and ranchers throughout the country **understand decision making in the presence of uncertainty and emerging risk management tools available for agricultural producers.** Email: jparsons4@unl.edu



Tess Van Gorder is a Conservation and Regulatory Relations Specialist at Michigan Farm Bureau. She works with farmers, government agencies, non-governmental organizations, and universities on environmental issues and solutions such as agricultural film plastic recycling, energy, ecosystem services markets, and groundwater discharge permitting. In addition, Tess is part of the **leadership team for the Michigan Manure Hauler Certification Program.** Tess previously worked at ENGIE Insight, an energy and sustainability management firm out of St. Paul, Minnesota on natural gas procurement. Email: tvangor@michfb.com



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