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Thursday
February 25th, 2010
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12th Annual

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**PROGRAM**

**SPEAKERS**

Carl Hurley, a nationally known professional speaker and comedian who hails from Kentucky. He has performed on the Nashville Network, The Bill Gaither Homecoming Series and Public Television and can also be heard regularly on XM Satellite, Channel 150. He holds the designation of Certified Speaking Professional and was inducted by his peers into the National Speakers Association CPAE Speakers Hall of Fame. Carl will definitely lighten the day for everyone!

Rick Grant, President of Miner Institute. Areas of interest include forage and non-forage sources of fiber, carbohydrate nutrition, and dairy cattle behavior.

Tom Overton, Associate Professor of Animal Science and Associate Director of Cornell Pro-Dairy. Areas of interest include nutritional physiology, dairy cattle nutrition and management.

Julie Smith, DVM, PhD, UVM Extension Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist. Dr. Smith's current research and extension programs revolve around biosecurity and the defense of food and agriculture.

Bill Stone, DVM, Ph.D., Technical Support and Field Research veterinarian with Diamond V Technologies. Dr. Stone has many years experience in dairy nutrition and management consulting and was formerly with Cornell Pro-Dairy.

André Wright, Associate Professor and new Chair of the Department of Animal Science at UVM. For the past 10 years, Dr. Wright has been working on developing vaccines and/or other strategies to increase the efficiency of nutrient utilization in livestock, and to reduce their enteric methane emissions.

**AGENDA**

**Thursday, February 25, 2010**

8:30-9:00 a.m. - Registration

9:00-9:15 a.m. - “Opening Remarks” Senator Bernie Sanders

9:15-9:30 a.m. - “A good laugh” Part 1 - Carl Hurley

9:30-10:15 a.m. - “Shrink the shrink” - Bill Stone

10:15 - 10:45 am - BREAK

10:45 – 11:00 am - “Modifying dairy methane production” - André Wright, UVM

11:00 - 11:30 – “Prepare to survive” - Julie Smith, UVM

11:30-12:00 - “Dairy trends & legislative outlook” - Bob Gray

12:00-12:45 p.m. - LUNCH - Governor Douglas

12:45-1:15 p.m. - “A good laugh” Part 2 - Carl Hurley

1:15-1:45 p.m. - “BMR Corn & Transition Cows” - Bill Stone

1:45-2:15 p.m. - BREAK

2:15-3:00 - “Improving cow comfort” - Rick Grant,

3:00-3:45 - “Life after bST” - Tom Overton

3:45 - 4:00 - “A good laugh” Part 3 - Carl Hurley

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