



103rd Annual Meeting
February 8, 2012
Holiday Inn, Fargo, ND
9 a.m.

Open to Everyone

“The Top Ten Stupid Things Families Do To Break Up Their Business”

This presentation is for members of all generations who wish to or are working together. It provides great insight and practical ideas to improve farm family communications. You'll receive valuable and tested take-home tools to increase productivity, profitability and peace of mind. From conversations to contracts, from assumptions to clarification, from complaints to celebrations, Jolene will open our eyes about how we can improve the family business.

Jolene Brown is a farmer, author and an award winning communicator from West Branch, Iowa who has made numerous appearances on television and radio broadcasts. Her work has been featured in several major agricultural publications. As a founder of the Business-First Family Institute, she knows the unique challenges facing parents, siblings and in-laws who work together. She communicates helpful ideas for real life situations with humor and hope.

“Farm Policy”

Scott Stofferahn will provide the latest information about the 2012 Farm Bill. There are few people better able to discuss the in's and out's of formulating federal farm policy than Scott. Working with Senator Conrad, he helped shape the 2002 Farm Bill and was an active participant in the 2008 Farm Bill legislative effort. He was instrumental in the development of the SURE program. Scott was State Executive Director of ND Farm Service Agency from 1993 to 2001, is a former state legislator and operated a livestock and crop farm in Sargent County.

“Target Bakken”

Oil and gas development has energized our state's economy and has had a national impact as jobseekers flock to North Dakota's oil patch. **Kathy Neset**, a geologist with Neset Consulting Service Inc., of Tioga, ND knows the Bakken. Neset Consulting has over 70 wellsite geology and mudlogging teams working primarily in the Williston Basin. Kathy will explain the why's, the how's and the potential of North Dakota oil and gas resources. Anyone interested in the future of our economy will enjoy this fascinating presentation.

“Tiling Update”

Larry Luick, State Senator from Fairmount, ND will explain his bill, which became law in the 2011 legislative session, that speeds up the process of obtaining a drainage permit. Senator Luick will share his thoughts about the future of drainage permitting and the impact of tiling on flooding and soil quality.

“Market Outlook for Soybeans, Corn and Wheat”

Virgil Robinson is Market Manager for Pioneer Hi-Bred International Producer Service Center, Des Moines, Iowa. He has 38 years of experience as grain merchandiser, commodity broker, consultant, market analyst and independent trader. Virg is a senior analyst on Public Television's Market-to-Market program, provides analysis for several Midwestern radio stations, and has spoken at several national outlook meetings.



Registration Begins at 8 a.m.

Fee of \$50 Includes Noon Meal, Breaks and NWFM Membership

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