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LESS THAN A MONTH TO CONFERENCE!

With less than a month to go before the Conference opens on **March 2** we are getting down to working on the details of having a successful conference and the excitement is growing. Registrations have been pouring in. We are happy to report that over 300 people took advantage of our early bird discount registration! On the other hand, our facilities are filling up rapidly and are near capacity so if you have not registered by now, you should

make your registration immediately!

PROGRAM

Thank you to all who have submitted their papers on time. The Proceedings have gone to the publisher on time and will be ready for you at the Conference. There are over 50 presenters on the program. They come from 10 countries and 4 continents. The quality and variety of papers and posters on the program is truly impressive. The detailed program is published on the website for your information

Instructions for oral and poster presentation are posted on the website and will be sent via email to corresponding authors.

POSTERS

The poster presentations will be extensive and varied with leading edge technology. As well as those who were accepted as poster-only presentations, we have required all those giving short theatre presentations to also present a poster. This will give those attending the Conference lots of opportunity for informal “face time” with presenters to discuss and ask questions in person.

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

The **Doubletree by Hilton Toronto Airport** is designated the Conference Hotel. The sessions, displays and guest rooms are all under one roof. We highly recommend booking guestrooms here. The room allocation for March 1 has been used up much faster than we expected. If you are trying to book rooms including March 1 you may find the rooms unavailable. Typically rooms are available for the nights of March 2-5. We expect more rooms to become available for the March 1 night after February 12. In order to give you rooming options we have reserved a block of rooms across the street only 300m away at our **Alternate Hotel: Holiday Inn Airport East** at the Conference rate of \$129 plus tax. Reserve by phone or on line directly with the hotel to get the special rate. Go to our website www.precisiondairy2010.com/hotel.html for reservation information.

10 REASONS TO ATTEND PRECISION DAIRY 2010

Reason #6 :
POSTER SESSIONS; Opportunity to meet with researchers and developers and discuss their work.

To be placed on the eNEWS mailing list email:
info@precisiondairy2010.com

FARM TOUR

Our Farm Tour has already reached our planned capacity however, our tour leaders got together and came up with an alternate plan. To accommodate more people on the Farm Tour we added an additional route at a slightly later time in the day. If you are registering now for the Conference Farm Tour you will be on the bus that leaves the Hotel at 9:00AM and returns to the Hotel at 7:30PM. Please note the later return time to the Hotel if you are trying to meet flight times and travel schedules leaving Toronto on March 5.

Details on the farm visits for the tour are on the website. We have confirmed the 4th stop on the tour: **Delhome Holsteins** – Ron and Debbie Riddell have just moved into their 114 x 350 ft 4 row freestall barn with sand bedding and a manure flushing system. The barn houses 120 milking cows plus dry cows and all replacements. The dairy herd, is milked with 2 DeLaval VMS using a feed first cow traffic system.

BRAM PRINS JOINS PRODUCER PANEL



In a previous edition of eNEWS, we introduced dairy producers Thomas Wynker, Poul DeGier and Dale Hemminger. The most recent addition to the Producer Panel featured on the opening program of the Conference is **Bram Prins**, president of Global Dairy Farmers and a dairy producer in the Netherlands. He has adopted robotic

milking with 4 Insentec Galaxy stalls and automated feeding with a Pelon batching and track feeding system. He and his partners operate 2 herds of 310 dairy cows on 230 ha producing 2,600,000 kg of milk. Milking and feeding is done by robots. Energy production is from biogas with a capacity of producing 530kwh of electricity per hour.

Note: We are organizing a special producer session with Bram Prins on the role of Global Dairy Farmers. Watch for more information at the Conference.

NEW TO TORONTO?

Toronto has many attractions: museums, the CN Tower, live theatre, and shopping. Toronto is home to NBA basketball and NHL hockey. Niagara Falls is within a daytrip excursion. Check the tourism links on our website: click on hotel registration. There will also be information available at the registration desk.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Don't Be Disappointed! Get your registration and hotel booking in as facilities are filling up
- March 2: **See You in Toronto!**