

Twenty other in-depth workshops include, "Farm Strategies for Saving Energy and Money" and "Real Life Business Plan Vetting" among many more listed below.

The conference is open to the public. Although online registration has closed, anyone can still register for the event at the door. For more information, contact Patrick Burke at 515.232.5661 or patrick@practicalfarmers.org.

Friday's workshops:

- The Curious Grazer: Questions Asked, Lessons Learned
- Cover Crops: 101 and Advanced
- Extending the Season in Your Kitchen
- Farmer Strategies For Saving Energy – and Money
- Growing and Selling Vegetables to a Hungry Market

Saturday's workshops:

- Responding to Regulations:
Pig Production in Denmark
- Real Life Business Plan Vetting
- Off-farm Inputs: Using Less to Earn More
- Increase Sales through Season Extension
- High-Energy Forages: The Key to
Grass Finishing
- Security through Improved Soil Health
- Profitable Pigs with Alternative Feeds
- Producing an Abundance for Your CSA
- Investing in Farms and Farmers
- Profitable Nut and Fruit Tree Crops
- Mobile Meat Processing
- Balancing Steel and Herbicides to Reduce Resistance
- Mastering Strawberry Production
- Preserving Your Farm
- Eating Locally: Supporting Farmers, Growing Your Own

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