



REGISTER NOW!

October 3 – 4, 2013

Sheraton Indianapolis at Keystone Crossing

Thursday, October 3

1:00 pm Welcome

1:10 pm Kick-Off Keynote – *Richard Longworth, author of Caught in the Middle, will share his perspective of rural Indiana's future*

2:00 pm Rural Voices Presentations

(Presentation – coming soon)
Mayor Girgis, City of Bedford

2:15 pm “CASH Mobs: No Dancing or Singing Required”
You've probably heard of a flash mob where people break into song and dance. Well, a variation on that theme is a CASH mob and this Rural Voices presentation will tell the story of how folks in Lebanon pulled one off and how your community can too.
Scott Hutcheson, Purdue Extension and Purdue Center for Regional Development

- 2:30 pm “Food Hubs-A positive force for connecting farmers and consumers with regionally produced goods. *This presentation would be an overview of what a food hub is (and is not), how a food hub can provide a means in some communities for fostering a connection between consumers/shoppers and regionally produced fresh and value added products while enhancing Hoosier economic growth and fostering rural /urban connections and opportunities.*
Roy Ballard, Purdue extension educator, ANR, Hancock County
- 2:45 pm *(Presentation – coming soon)*
Tim Burton, Burton’s Maplewood Farm
- 3:00 pm Break
- 3:15 pm Rural Voices Presentations:

“Finding Their Voice”
Rural Spanish-speaking residents of Clinton County (parents, neighbors, and co-workers) attend the Latino Community Learning Center in Frankfort, Ind., for many reasons, but with one common purpose—each wants the opportunity to speak English.
Melinda Grismer, ECD Educator in the Clinton County Extension Office, Coordinator of Purdue Extension’s Learning Network in Frankfort
- 3:30 pm *(Presentation – coming soon)*
Patrick Sullivan, Wabash Marketplace
- 3:45 pm *(Presentation – coming soon)*
Mark Newman, Indiana Office of Tourism Development

- 4:00 pm "If your heads in the sand, it's hard to see your future."
Finding a New Direction for Rural Communities
Mayor Conklin and Monte Poling, City of Union City
- 4:15 pm Conversation Cafés – *an opportunity to talk with Rural Voices presenters and network with attendees*
- 5:15 pm Evening Reception & Book Signing – *a chance to meet Mr. Longworth, have him sign your copy of this book and a time to visit with conference attendees*

Friday, October 4

- 8:00 am Continental Breakfast
- 9:00 am Morning Keynote – *Jack Hess, Executive Director of the Institute for Coalition Building, will share his unique message about coalition building in rural Indiana communities*
- 9:45 am Rural Voices:

"LEAF"
A peer network of the future
LEAF Organization
- 10:15 am *(Presentation – coming soon)*
Jill Gordon, Youth Philanthropy Initiative of Indiana (YPII)
- 10:45 am Networking Break
- 11:00 am Closing Keynote – *Indiana Lieutenant Governor Sue Ellspermann will outline her vision for rural Indiana*
- 12:00 pm Adjourn

Registration cost is \$150 for both days. Registration cost for one day is \$75.

For more information, or to register, please visit the Office of Community and Rural Affairs website (www.in.gov/ocra).

The Indiana Rural Summit is a collaborative effort of the Indiana Rural Roundtable