



Protecting Sow Herds Through Feed Validation

For years, biosecurity efforts on sow farms have focused on what we can see and control—people, equipment, and airflow. However, research has pointed to a less obvious risk: feed as a potential pathway. Studies have shown that viruses like PRRSv can travel through feed, creating a hidden route into sow farms.

Learn more with Kiah Berg
Vice President of Nutrition



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IMPORTANT: Referral must be submitted in ADP before the candidate applies, and your name must be listed on the application.

GREAT PEOPLE KNOW GREAT PEOPLE –
REFER YOURS TODAY.

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PRODUCER PERSPECTIVES

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If you want to pass the farm on to the next generation, you have to have a strong business. If we weren't involved with Pipestone, we wouldn't have those opportunities to grow our business or be as strong as we are.

— Dan Deuth
Polo, IL

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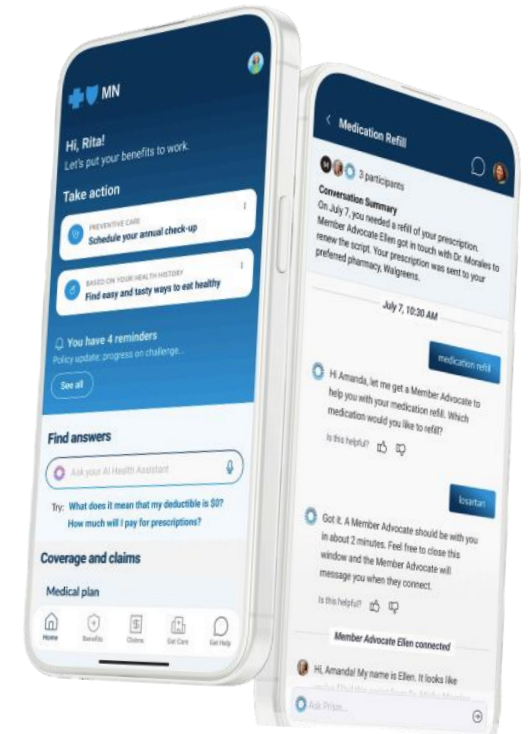
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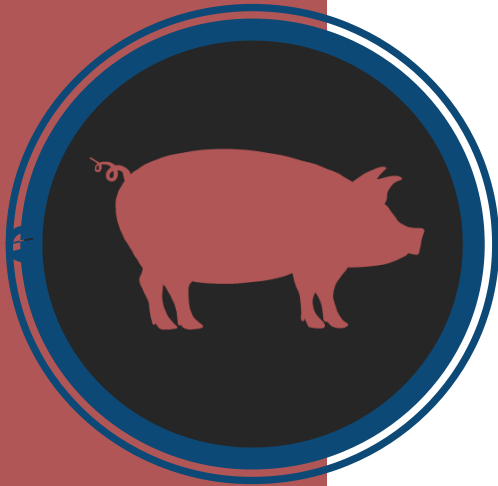
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Congrats!

**We had some PIG time promotions last month!
Congratulations to these newly promoted employees.**



- ★ Angelica Mariano Contreras was promoted to PRODUCTION SUPV at PIPESTONE MGMT DOMESTIC
- ★ Miguel M Castellano Silva was promoted to FARROWING LEAD at SCOUTS LIVESTOCK LLC
- ★ Susana Morales Pablo was promoted to SITE MGR at ALLIANCE FAMILY FARMS LLC
- ★ Jose L Enriquez Hernandez was promoted to FARROWING LEAD at MUSTANG PASS
- ★ Juan M Olvera Rivera was promoted to FARROWING LEAD at SOW COUNTRY LLC
- ★ Pamela Garcia Cano was promoted to SITE MGR at LONGVIEW FARM LLP
- ★ Carlos Cortes Becerra was promoted to MAINTENANCE TECH at PIPESTONE REPAIRS & MAINT
- ★ Keith A Lanners was promoted to FILTERED FARM BIOSECURITY LEAD at PIPESTONE VET SERVICES
- ★ Braxton G Heidebrink was promoted to RECEIVING MANAGER at PVS WAREHOUSE
- ★ Ricardo Favila de Alba was promoted to GESTATION LEAD at HUSKY FARMS
- ★ Alberto Aguirre Hernandez was promoted to GILT DEVELOPER UNIT LEAD at FLAT WATER GILTS LLC
- ★ Alejandra Aguilar Perez was promoted to FARROWING LEAD at LEGEND GILTS LLC
- ★ Brandon T Whitney was promoted to SITE MGR at SCOUTS LIVESTOCK LLC
- ★ Oseas Gomez Cruz was promoted to GESTATION LEAD at NORDIC LLC
- ★ Edward Davila was promoted to FILTER COMPLIANCE TECH II at HUSKY FARMS
- ★ Eliseo Gonzalez Davila was promoted to GESTATION LEAD at PRECISION LIVESTOCK LLC
- ★ Sergio A Nanguelu Gutierrez was promoted to GESTATION LEAD at FLAT WATER GILTS LLC

Pipestone Emerging Leader Certificates

Congratulations to those who completed PEL phases in August!

Phase 1 Dale Tlam Erick Rosales Vicelis Sergio Nanguelu Gutierrez	Phase 2 Farrowing Carmen Garcia Jacome Wilson Villalta Sandoval Fatima Ortiz Mascorro Manuel Aleman	Phase 3 Farrowing Yereida Ortiz Sandoval Wilson Villalta Sandoval Fatima Ortiz Mascorro Maria Aparicio Martinez	Phase 4 Farrowing Yereida Ortiz Sandoval Ana Rios Dominguez Wilson Villalta Sandoval	Phase 5 Farrowing Wendy Sanchez Ana Rios Dominguez Christian Ramirez Deyvizon Reyes Rincon
	Phase 2 GDU James Dickinson Christian Garcia Rojas Jesus Roque Roblero	Phase 3 GDU Robert Heise Christian Garcia Rojas Jesus Roque Roblero Andres Lima	Phase 4 GDU Robert Heise Christian Garcia Rojas Wilson Villalta Sandoval Jesus Roque Roblero Andres Lima Jose Hipolito MacUixtle	Phase 5 GDU Christian Garcia Rojas Leila Vargas Avila Wilson Villalta Sandoval Jesus Roque Roblero Jose Hipolito MacUixtle Jazmin Olguin Bravo
	Phase 2 Gestation Claudia Reyes Felipe Wilson Villalta Sandoval Yosdani Cuesta Arencibia Oscar Cardona Gricelda Gonzalez Hernandez Manuel Aleman Sergio Nanguelu Gutierrez	Phase 3 Gestation Robert Heise Claudia Reyes Felipe Wilson Villalta Sandoval Laura Millan Ocampo Gricelda Gonzalez Hernandez Sergio Nanguelu Gutierrez	Phase 4 Gestation Enrique Ramirez Vargas Jonnathan Valbuena Acevedo Robert Heise Claudia Reyes Felipe Leila Vargas Avila Wilson Villalta Sandoval Jose Valdepena Sauza Sebastian Chavez Aguirre	Phase 5 Gestation Jonnathan Valbuena Acevedo Leila Vargas Avila Claudia Reyes Felipe Wilson Villalta Sandoval Jazmin Olguin Bravo

Pipestone is proud to welcome our newest talent.

Please say hello to new team members, hired 9/1/26 – 9/7/26.

Jennifer L Perkey-Ewing : SOW FARM OFFICE COOR at SOUTHWEST PORK LLC

Itzel D Cobos Villalobos : PIPESTONE EMERGING LEADER at SALEM 2 EAST

Miguel A Chavez Amador : PIPESTONE EMERGING LEADER at SALEM 2 EAST

Jorge A Alfaro Avila : PIPESTONE EMERGING LEADER at HUSKY FARMS

Lori Ann Hernandez : SWINE TECH at PHEASANT FARMS LLP

Brianna N Lacy : SWINE TECH at STORMY HOLLOW PORK LLC

Isael Hernandez Garcia : PIPESTONE EMERGING LEADER at HUSKY FARMS

Wesley T Lewis : MAINTENANCE WORKER at PIPESTONE REPAIRS & MAINT

Jose L Robles de Aquino : FARM TEAM SWINE TECH at PIPESTONE BUSINESS SERVICES

Daniel Loreto Garcia : FARM TEAM SWINE TECH at PIPESTONE BUSINESS SERVICES



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

WEDNESDAY

9/16

Brett Dilley
Cando Feed Mill

Fredy Ruiz
Dakota Country Swine

Jeison Vega Garibello
Buckwheat

Landon Minion
Pipestone Vet Services

Nicholas Hesse
Repairs & Maintenance

Rafael Ramirez
Thunder Ridge Farm

**Reyna Contreras
Alvarez**
Fox Run Operating

Tomas Gallardo David
Goose Lake 2

THURSDAY

9/17

Paola Jimenez Sanchez
Buckwheat

Randy Penfield
Pipestone Management

Rylee Dubbelde
Pipestone Vet Services

Sergio Puc Madera
Pipestone Business-
FarmTeam

Stephanie Flores Irias
Delta Gilts

FRIDAY

9/18

Daniel Cruz
Elite Pork

Dulce Mazon Gautrin
Murray Farms

Ilises Quezada Torres
Pipestone Business-
FarmTeam

Jaret Herrera
Stormy Hollow

Kevin Masis
Fox Run Operating

**Omarie Villafane
Fonseca**
Banner Farms

Roberto Tena
Four Corners Farms

Rodney Buffington
Pipestone Vet Services

Trustyn Wolf
Pipestone Vet Services

SATURDAY

9/19

Andy Averzuz
NWP Sows

Bradley Kenny
Grassland Pork

Carly Bates
Pipestone Vet Services

Jairo Torres Ochoa
Silver Top

Veasna Chem
Fox Run Operating

SUNDAY

9/20

**Brooke Woelber-
Kastner**
Human Resources

Edelia Torres Nava
S & S Farms

**Eliodoro Zaragoza
Quiroga**
Dry Lake Farms

Evelyn Galicia Franco
Big Sioux Pork

Joel Nerem
Pipestone Vet Services

Rony Crisostomo
Pipestone Transport

MONDAY

9/21

**Berenice Ventura
Cordova**
New Era

Brett Dilley Jr
Cando Transport

**Cesar Cortes
Colmenarez**
Pipestone Vet Services

Coenrad Fourie
Repairs &
Maintenance

**Emily Hanson
Pipestone Business
Flor Zavala**
Longview Farm

Gregory Mensen
Blakes Point

Irma Herrera Roldan
Banner Farms

Mario Radilla Leyva
Longview Farm

**Martin Meza
Hernandez**
Elm Valley

TUESDAY

9/22

Gladis Iraheta
NWP Sows

Jose Reyes
New Era

Maria Fermin Lopez
Thunder Ridge Farm

Maria Huerta Ruiz
PFKS LLC

Scott Saker
Pipestone
Management

**Valeria Aragon
Hernandez**
Avalanche Pork Farm 6

WORK ANNIVERSARIES

NAME	START DATE	YEARS	LOCATION	TITLE
Tad Woelber	09/22/1997	29	Repairs & Maintenance	VP of Asset Management
Stacy TerWee	09/22/2004	22	Pipestone Business Services	Data Entry Clerk
Justin Duffy	09/22/2008	18	Silver Top	Site Manager
Rodney Leonard	09/20/2013	13	Prairie Gold	Filter Compliance Tech
Reinaldo Cruz Caraballo	09/19/2014	12	Calumet Farms 1	Filter Compliance Tech
Jairo Torres Zepeda	09/19/2017	9	Silver Top	Gestation Lead
Martin Flores Ocampo	09/18/2017	9	Mustang Pass	Filter Compliance Tech
Gaston Salazar Badillo	09/16/2019	7	Academy Pork	Site Manager
Jordan Quincy	09/18/2019	7	Blakes Point	Filter Compliance Tech
Adrian Acosta Noriega	09/16/2020	6	Jackrabbit Family Pork	Filter Compliance Tech
Dante Trejo Rubio	09/17/2020	6	Blue Stem Livestock	Farrowing Lead
Luis Sanchez Fuentes	09/22/2021	5	Pipestone Business-FarmTeam	Farm Team Swine Tech
Azucena Olguin Bravo	09/20/2022	4	Morgan Hill Farms	Pipestone Emerging Leader
Byron Guzman Garcia	09/16/2022	4	Nordic	Filter Compliance Tech
Crispin Lux Ixcotoyac	09/16/2022	4	Panhandle	Front End Specialist
Debora Rico	09/19/2022	4	Timberwolf Farms	Sow Farm Office Coordinator



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NAME	START DATE	YEARS	LOCATION	TITLE
Elena Moreno Valdes	09/20/2022	4	Wildcat	Front End Specialist
Etni Pena Hurtado	09/20/2022	4	Wildcat	Gestation Lead
Miguel Osorio Acosta	09/20/2022	4	Coleman Chops	Gestation Lead
Sergio Perez Ibarra	09/20/2022	4	Big Sioux Pork	Pipestone Emerging Leader
Amanda Cortez Medina	09/21/2023	3	Four Corners Farms	Pipestone Emerging Leader
Ana Rubio	09/18/2023	3	Thunder Ridge Farm	Farrowing Lead
Ariel de Jesus Alvarez	09/21/2023	3	Goose Lake 2	Swine Tech
Melquiades Patricio Carlos	09/21/2023	3	Sow Country	Pipestone Emerging Leader
Rolando Morales	09/19/2023	3	Kingston Pork	Swine Tech
Berenice Castillo	09/16/2024	2	Morgan Hill Farms	Swine Tech
Juan Diaz	09/18/2024	2	Flyway Farms	Swine Tech
Adelia Gonzalez-Aguilar	09/20/2025	1	Thunder Ridge Farm	Swine Tech
Eric Rocha Ramirez	09/22/2025	1	Blue Stem Livestock	Swine Tech
Maritza Rodrigues Maldonado	09/16/2025	1	Four Corners Farms	Swine Tech
Michael Lacy	09/19/2025	1	Stormy Hollow	Swine Tech
Santa Yazmin Castillo	09/17/2025	1	Nokomis Farms	Front End Specialist



Ag Trivia

submit your
answer here



What two major crops are commonly
harvested in the Midwest during fall?

From last week:

What is name for corn harvested before it fully dries in the field & is stored
by fermentation?

Winner & Answer: Corn Silage – Macy Kneebone

Good Vibes Corner!

“A positive attitude gives you power over
your circumstances.”



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