

The Dairy Practices Council Past, Present & Future



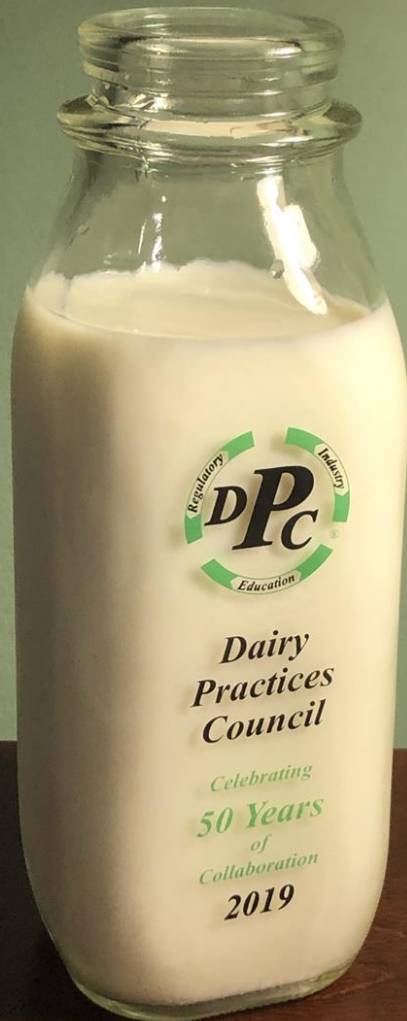
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Past President

Eugene T. Wolff Award Recipient

July 2023 NADRO Conference – Madison WI



- Objectives of DPC
- History of Collaboration
- Structure
- Value of Membership
- Upcoming Conferences



Objectives of the Council



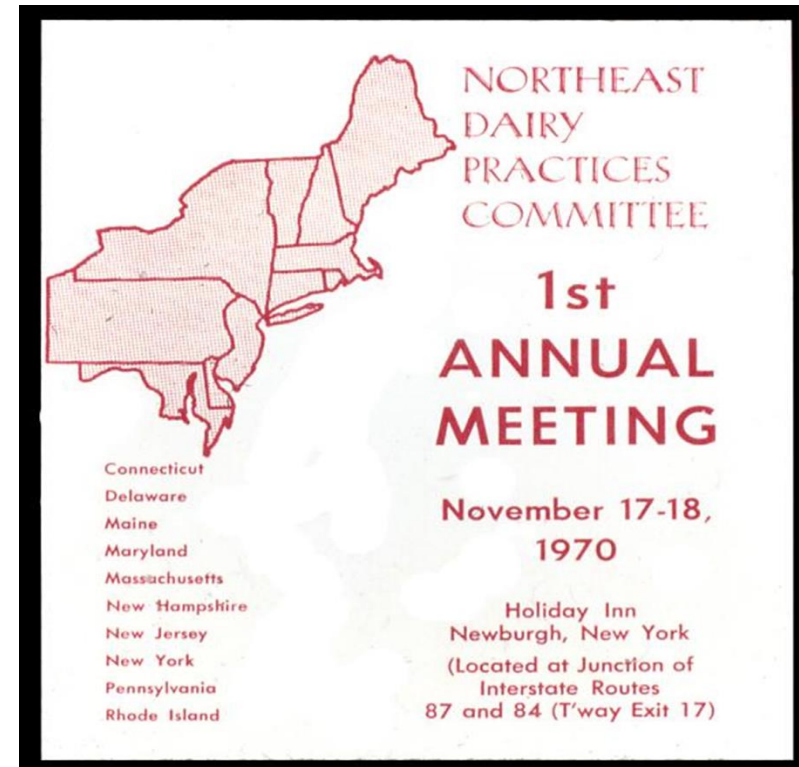
- **Develop and disseminate educational guidelines for the dairy industry**, especially as related to proper and improved sanitation and production of high quality dairy products, and to:
- **Provide mutual assistance** internationally, and among states, provinces, countries and territories in adopting sound, uniform, and improved procedures concerning the production, processing, and distribution of milk and dairy products, especially **as related to sanitation and high quality products**.
- The intent of these objectives is a **cooperative effort of Industry, Education, and Regulatory**. The further interest is not to duplicate, but to cooperate with any other organization which has similar goals.

The 1970's

- The ***Northeast*** Dairy Practices Council began in 1970
 - Outgrowth of Northeast Farm Practices Committee of the NY Association of Milk and Food Sanitarians
 - Planning meetings
 - 1st Annual meeting in November
 - 11 member states
 - 5 task forces formed
 - Cover all aspects of dairy industry
 - ***Collaboration!***
 - First Guidelines published



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April 21-22, 1970





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The Early Years



- First 3 Meetings held in NY, PA, MA
- 1973 – 1991 – The Fallsview in Ellenville NY
- NDPC played a key role in adoption of uniform regulations for milk and dairy products across the Northeast
- 1992 – 1996 Syracuse NY area – Became DPC in 1994
- 1997 – 2003 Harrisburg, Scranton, Pittsburgh PA & Syracuse NY
- 2004 – ventured further west to encourage national participation

DPC Roots – East to West**Meeting Location and Year****2004 – Indianapolis IN****2005 – Scranton PA****2006 – Louisville KY****2007 – Harrisburg PA****2008 – East Lansing MI****2009 – Latham NY****2010 – Columbus OH****2011 – Manchester NH****2012 – Madison WI****2013 – Harrisburg PA****2014 – Kansas City MO****2015 – Burlington VT****2016 – East Lansing MI****2017 – Buffalo NY****2018 – McKinney TX****2019 – Portland ME****2020 - Virtual****2021 – Pittsburgh PA****2022 – Minneapolis MN**

NDPC becomes DPC in 1994



- Membership votes to change the name to The Dairy Practices Council – quite a lively discussion!
- Transition of name on all materials
- Marketing
- Preserve the reputation
- Continued increase in sustaining members
- Membership opened to all 50 States as well as International
- New Task Force VI added – small ruminants



Grade “A”

Pasteurized

Milk

Ordinance

History of Collaboration

- ***Vitamin A & D Fortification of Fluid Milk*** – Appendix O
 - Multiple **DPC 053** revisions to keep pace with changes to PMO
 - 2022 GL revision encompassing 2017 PMO revisions is 25 pages compared to Appendix O 5 pages

- **DPC 105 *Guideline for Sealing Bulk Milk Tank Trucks*** published in 2005, revised in 2021
 - Addressing biosecurity concerns with best practices

- Current GL revision work on **DPC 029 – *Cleaning and Sanitizing in Fluid Milk Processing Plants***
 - Addressing best practices for prevention of sanitizer contamination of finished product

DPC Annual Conference



- The 3-day conference takes place each Fall. Usually starts the day after election day in November (schedule is currently transitioning under direction of DPC leadership)
- Task Forces meet concurrently and provide a forum where topics of common interest can be shared with the members & other attendees



DPC Financing -

- Financed by Membership Dues:
 - Sustaining - multiple levels
 - Individual Members
 - All have Guideline Access and discounts on annual conference registration
- Individual Guideline Sales
- Supports the distribution of DPC Guidelines and educational materials to the Dairy Industry in the US & throughout the world.

DPC Organization



Governing body is the Executive Board.

- **State Departments of Health & Ag**
- **Federal Departments of Health & Ag**
- **Dairy Industry:** Representatives from Production, Processing, & Service areas of the industry
- **Education:** Representatives from Production, Processing, & Engineering areas of academia
- **Task Force Directors**

DPC Executive Board



Keith Hay

Pennsylvania Milk Marketing
Board



DPC President



Wendy Landry

*FSQ, Director of Supply Chain
Quality*
HP Hood LLC



DPC Vice President

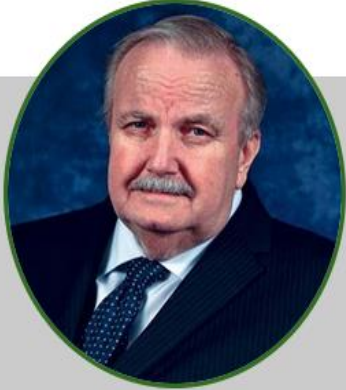


Mary Wilcox



DPC Executive Vice President

MEMBERS REPRESENTING REGULATORY



Steven Sims

FDA, Division of Milk Safety



FDA



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State Regulatory



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State Regulatory

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Suppliers/Services



Roger Hooi

DFA Dairy Brands



Processing



Brandon Meiwes

Dairy Farmers of America



Production

MEMBERS REPRESENTING EDUCATION



Charles Boeneke

LSU Ag Center
Associate Professor



Processing



Elizabeth Eckelkamp

University of TN Institute of
Agriculture
Assistant Professor



Producer

BOARD MEMBER-AT-LARGE



Amanda Rife

Land O'Lakes, Inc.



Member at Large

DPC Task Forces



- DPC Guidelines are started, developed, and completed in a Task Force.
- Annual meetings include task force work sessions.
- DPC Members may belong to and participate in any or all six of the following Task Forces:





Dan McFarland

*Extension Agricultural
Engineering Educator*

Penn State University



Task Force I Farm Buildings & Equipment

TF I - Farm Buildings and Equipment

Activities & Guidelines of this Task Force involve buildings & equipment for dairy operations.

Systems include designs for handling cows, feed, milk, ventilation, & manure.





Carli Peskar

USDA-FMMA Cleveland



**TASK FORCE II PLANT EQUIPMENT
& PROCEDURES**

TF II - Plant Equipment & Procedures

To develop meaningful guidelines for procedures and equipment involved in dairy plant operations.

To promote uniformity between the states.





Jessica Smith

USDA-FMMA Cleveland



**TASK FORCE III LAB & QUALITY
CONTROL PROCEDURES**

TF III - Lab & Quality Control Procedures

To cover topics related to laboratory, quality control, product evaluation & trouble shooting procedures.

To cover methods of assuring quality through good production & manufacturing procedures.





Melinda Davis

FS&Q Manager, Barre VT

HP Hood LLC



Task Force IV Regulatory Issues & Food Safety

TF IV - Regulatory Issues and Food Safety

To foster communications & uniformity between the states.

This TF has been assigned guidelines concerning inspections as well as those relating to HACCP and FSMA.





Alex Beard

Dairy Farmers of America



Task Force V Milking Systems & Procedures

TF V - Milking Systems & Procedures

To address guidelines relating to milking system design, equipment and facility function and cleaning.





Michelle Steinmetz

Wisconsin Department of Agric.
Trade & Consumer Protection



Task Force VI Small Ruminants

TF VI - Small Ruminants

To develop guidelines pertaining to all aspects of production and processing for dairy goat, sheep and other small ruminant operations.





Guideline Development

Three step development process:

1. **White cover** - a Guideline developed by the task force and is in draft form and open to revision.
2. **Yellow cover** - a Guideline completed & ready for final review by “*Key Sanitarians*” in each state who can insert footnotes and recommend changes if their state standards & regulations differ.
3. **Green cover** - a Guideline in final copy & ready for distribution

Your Input and Involvement Matters



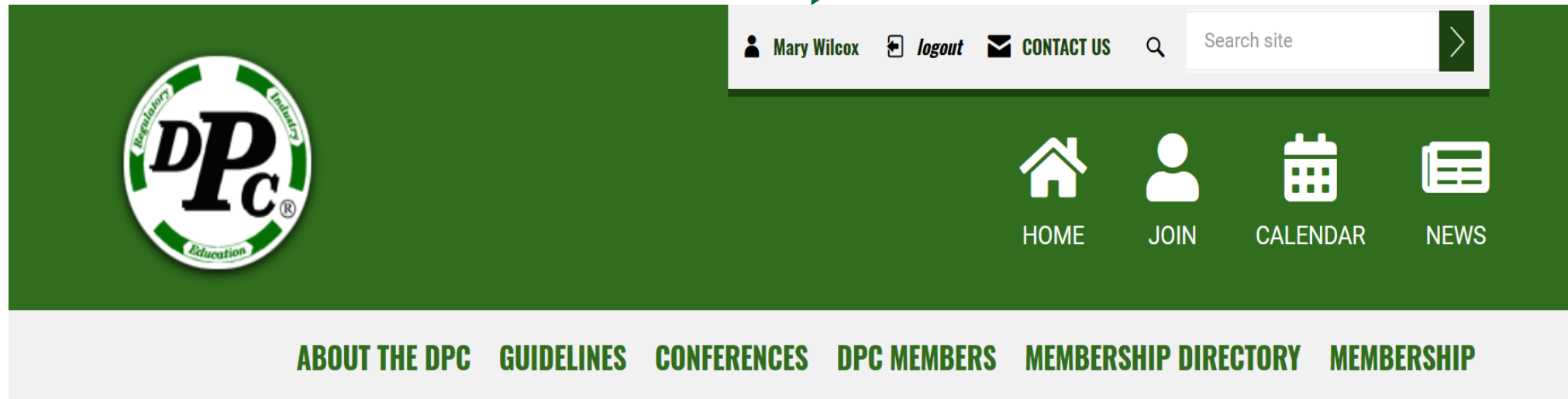
Recent Guideline Developments & Activities

- ✓ GL#038 Preventing Off-Flavors in Milks - Updated
- ✓ GL#089 Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Preventive Control Guidance - New
- ✓ GL#095 Guideline for Conducting and Documenting HACCP ‘HACCP Principle #6 & #7: Establish Verification Activities & Records’- New
- ✓ Task Force V-Progressive Dairy Article Published - talking about labor challenges & proper milking protocols
- ✓ Creating Bundles on Relevant Topics to Use with Clients/New Employees (Input Welcomed)

Moving into the digital age!



Member Compass Access Dairypc.org



1. Members set-up a password.
2. Contact evp@dairypc.org if you need a link emailed to you to set one up.
3. Click on your name to enter Member Compass

Guidelines, Archives, Job Postings and More

Computer/Smartphone Accessible

5. Click on Guideline Directory and Click on GL to Access electronic PDF
6. When all else fails, Contact Mary Wilcox at evp@dairy.pc.org

Welcome to your Member Compass™

This is an area tailored to your membership and member engagement. You can access the following:

View, Print & Pay Invoices

Update Your Profile

Manage Events

Guideline Directory

News, Job Postings & Updates

Meeting Archives

DPC Perspectives E-Newsletters Archive

Guideline Directory

Member-only Access

Guideline Working List

TASK FORCE I - Farm Buildings & Equipment:

DPC001_Planning Dairy Stall Barns

DPC006_Natural Ventilation for Dairy Tie Stall Barns - NRAES

DPC015_Milking Center Wastewater

DPC027_Dairy Manure Management from Barn to Storage

DPC037_Planning Dairy Freestall Barns

DPC041_Milkrooms and Bulk Tank Installations

DPC042_Stray Voltage on Dairy Farms



DPC Perspectives E-Newsletter



THE DAIRY PRACTICES COUNCIL
PERSPECTIVES E-NEWSLETTER



Featured Topic: Impact of Labor Shortages on the Dairy Industry



54th Annual DPC Conference

Embassy Suites Nashville Airport
10 Century Blvd. Nashville ,TN

November 7-9, 2023



Pre-Conference Workshops Tuesday, November 7th

- PM Best Practice Pumps, Valves, Gaskets, and Heat Exchangers Workshop: Afternoon Only at Embassy Suites
- AMS Workshop & Tech Fair-Middle TN State University
- Environmental Monitoring Workshop-Middle TN State University



**Wednesday Nov. 8th
Opening Session 8:30 a.m.-7:30 p.m.**

Welcome From President: Keith Hay, PA Milk Marketing Board

Welcome to TN: Ag Commissioner Dr. Charlie Hatcher, D.V.M.

Keynote Speaker: Corey Geiger, Hoard's Dairyman, Media and Author

How Dairy is Making Major Moves On-Farm, In Exports and At Retail.

Plus, stories from his recently published book **"The Wisconsin Farm They Built"**

School Milk Splash: Michelle Matto, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs and Nutrition, International Dairy Foods Association

DPC Overview/Task Force Introductions: President Hay & Task Force Directors

Lunch On Your Own

Animal Housing Impacts on Health and Safety: Dr. Dan McFarland, PhD, Agricultural Engineering Educator, Penn State Cooperative Extension Service

Forever Chemicals On Farm Through Processing: Dr. Glenda Pereira, PhD, Assistant Extension Professor, Dairy Specialist University of Maine Cooperative Extension School of Food and Agriculture

Task Force Sessions

Networking Reception (Cash Bar)



**Thursday Nov 9th
Day 2 Sessions 8:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m.**

Welcome From Vice President: Wendy Landry, HP Hood LLC

Disney on Milk: The Hatcher Family Farms

Sustainable Future: TBD

Task Force Sessions

Awards Luncheon & Business Meeting

Tech Tools for Dairy Profitability-Making SMARTer Decisions: Dr. Liz Eckelkamp, PhD, University of TN Institute of Agriculture

NCIMS 2023 Highlights & Further Actions-Casey McCue, Director, Division of Milk Control and Dairy Services, New York State Dept. of Agriculture & Markets and NCIMS Conference Chair

Getting into the Dairy Spirits: Panelists from Center for Profitable Agriculture, UTIA

Closing Remarks: President Hay

Optional Tasting Tour: TBD



Once Upon a Time - **by Rebecca Piston**

- My University of Vermont advisor was **Dr. Henry Atherton**, one of the founding officers of NDPC and long time member
- 1989 **Sid Barnard** - Professor of Food Science/Dairy Foods Extension Specialist for The Pennsylvania State University - visited Cabot Creamery where I was lab supervisor
- 2003 - Scranton - **Dave Burch**, Quality Director for HP Hood
 - I was on Executive Board along with **Mike Schutz**
- 2006 – Louisville – 1st annual hospitality room, got to know **Pat Healy**
- 2014 - recommended by **Mike** and **Pat** to serve on FFA Milk Quality and Products Committee for National FFA competition
- **DPC** has had a huge impact on my career, many connections and friends made, learned a great deal about the industry through educational presentations and work on guidelines!



Leadership Development



- Member 1989 – present
 - Road Trips from VT to Syracuse with Regulators!
- Active on Task Force II, III, & IV
 - Guideline Development / Revisions over the years
- Guest Speaker 2006 – NCIMS Dairy HACCP
- Social Component – annual skits, hospitality room
- Executive Board – 2002 - 2010
- Vice President – 2010 - 2013
- President – 2013 – 2016
- Presented DPC history at 2019 50th anniversary meeting
- Received Eugene T. Wolff Service Award in 2020



Key Connections



- Steve Sims, Lloyd Kinzel, Dennis Gaalswyk, Frank Flores – FDA
- Byron Moyer / Dan Scruton – VT Dept of Agriculture
- Chris Thompson – UKY / USDA
- Pat Healy - FMMA
- Ellen Fitzgibbons – Agri-Mark / State of MA / DFA Dairy Brands
- Roger Hooi – DFA Dairy Brands – NCIMS Appendix N
- Meikel Brewster – Charm Sciences
- Don Breiner – Land O’Lakes / NCIMS
- Steven Murphy – Cornell
- Dr. John Partridge – Michigan State / National FFA with Dr. Mike Schutz
- Lynn Hinckley – UConn & NCIMS
- Bob Gilchrist – Agri-Mark and the folks from Piper Systems
- Chris Hylkema – NYS Ag & Markets



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www.dairypc.org/dpc-conferences



Members Received Discounted Registrations

Register By September 22nd for additional Early Bird Discounts

*If interested in becoming a sponsor, contact
Mary Wilcox at evp@dairypc.org*



55th Annual DPC Conference

SAVE THE DATES

October 28-30, 2024

Doubletree by Hilton East
Madison, WI

Thank You! Questions?

- Gift Exchange – One year Individual Access Membership from DPC
- Gift Certificate from me

