



## Pennsylvania Association of Meat Processors Annual Convention and Workshop Series

### Thursday, May 13

- 9:00-12:00 p.m. **Mt Nittany Wine Tour (\$13.95 pp)**  
12:00 **Boxed Lunch** – *Sponsored by the Northeast Beef Promotion*  
12:30 – 3:00 **PA Beef Council Butchers Competition** (ML - must submit application)  
3:00-3:30 **Business Meeting** (Room 13 ML)  
3:30-4:45 **Board Meeting** (Room 13 ML)  
5:00-6:30 **Product Check In** (Cutting Room)  
8:00-10:00 **Presidents Reception** – Mount Nittany Suite (Penn Stater)  
(Some snacks provided, feel free to bring any items to share)

### Friday, May 14

#### Pre-convention Workshop

- 7:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Processed Products Check-in – Meat Laboratory (ML)

#### Session I

- 7:45-8:00 a.m. **Welcome** (ML Auditorium)  
*Jonathan Campbell, Penn State*  
*Nate Thomas, PAMP President*
- 8:00-9:30 **Concurrent Session I**  
**Group A – Manufacturing Traditional Cajun-style Products** (Slaughter Floor)  
*Dan Robert, National Food & Beverage Museum, New Orleans, LA*  
**Group B – Venison Processing** (Auditorium)  
*Dwight Ely, Ely Farm Products, Newtown, PA*  
**Group C – Creating Award winning Large Diameter Luncheon Meat** (Cutting Room)  
*Jon Frohling, ScottPec USA & Brad Merkley, Merkley & Sons Packing, Jasper, IN*
- 9:30-9:45 **Break**
- 10:00-2:00 **Ladies Planting Class** – (Room 13 ML) Must Pre Register (\$5.00 pp)
- 9:45-11:15 **Concurrent Session II**  
**Group A – Creating Award winning Large Diameter Luncheon Meat** (Cutting Room)  
*Jon Frohling, ScottPec USA & Brad Merkley, Merkley & Sons Packing, Jasper, IN*  
**Group B – Manufacturing Traditional Cajun-style Products** (Slaughter Floor)  
*Dan Robert, National Food & Beverage Museum, New Orleans, LA*  
**Group C – Venison Processing** (Auditorium)  
*Dwight Ely, Ely Farm Products, Newtown, PA*
- 11:15-12:15 **Chronic Wasting Disease in Whitetail Der-Update**  
*Courtney Colley, PA Game Commission*
- 12:15-1:00 **Lunch**



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- 1:00-2:30      **Concurrent Session III**  
**Group A – Venison Processing** (Auditorium)  
Dwight Ely, *Ely Farm Products*, Newtown, PA  
**Group B – Creating Award winning Large Diameter Luncheon Meat** (Cutting Room)  
Jon Frohling, *ScottPec USA* & Brad Merkley, *Merkley & Sons Packing*, Jasper, IN  
**Group C – Manufacturing Traditional Cajun-style Products** (Slaughter Floor)  
Dan Robert, *National Food & Beverage Museum*, New Orleans, LA
- 3:00            **Ribbon Cutting /Open to Showcase** – Nate Thomas
- 3:00-7:00      **Supplier Exhibit** – President’s Hall (Penn Stater)  
“People’s Choice” Meat Product Competition  
Bring an item that you currently sell – PRIZE \$100.00 Gift Card
- 7:00-10:00    **Social / Dinner Drop-in** – Executive Conference Rooms (Penn Stater)  
Entertainment with a Pasta & hors d’oeuvres style dinner provided

### Saturday, May 15

- 8:30-9:15      **Products Show – Judges Meeting** (ML Auditorium)  
Jonathan Campbell & Glenn Myers, *Penn State*
- 9:15-3:00      **Products Show Judging** (ML)

### Educational Sessions

- 9:00-10:00    **Niche Markets** – Rodney Schaffer, Room 208 (Penn Stater)
- 9:30-9:50      **Supplier Meeting** (Phoenix Scale Booth, Penn Stater - President’s Hall)
- 10:00-1:00    **Supplier Exhibit** – President’s Hall (Penn Stater)
- 12:45-1:15    **Boxed lunch served** (hallway outside President’s Hall) MUST Pre Order
- 1:30-2:00      **AAMP Update** – Chris Young or Nelson Gaydos, Room 208 (Penn Stater)
- 2:00-3:30      **Technology: POS/Social Media** – Cash Register World, Enter.Net, Room 208
- 5:30-6:00      **Social** – President’s Hall (Penn Stater)
- 6:00-9:00      **Awards Dinner & Auction** – President’s Hall (Penn Stater)

### Sunday, May 16

- 9:00-10:30    **Bull Session** - Meat Laboratory (Auditorium)
- 10:30-11:30   **Processed Meat Show Viewing & Discussion with Available Judges**
- 11:30-12:00   **Product Removal**