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86th

American Convention
of Meat Processors
and Suppliers Exhibition



July 24-26, 2025

Kansas City Marriott Downtown/
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Kansas City Convention Center
Kansas City, MO

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The registration desk is located in the Kansas City Convention Center (KCCC), Level 2 Lobby

Wednesday, July 23 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Thursday, July 24 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Friday, July 25 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Saturday, July 26 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Exhibit Hall Hours

Thursday, July 24 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Friday, July 25 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Saturday, July 26 10:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Refrigeration Truck Hours

Tuesday, July 22 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday, July 23 7:00 AM - 8:00 AM

Wednesday, July 23 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM
(these 3 times outside Marriott)

Thursday, July 24 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM
(this time outside Kansas City Convention Center)

Award Presentation Schedule

Thursday - July 24, 2025

Welcome Session - 8:00 AM

Stephen F. Krut Scholarship Award

F.W. Witt Supplier of the Year Award

Saturday - July 26, 2025

ACMC Awards - 7:30 AM

Business Meeting - 9:00 AM

Golden Cleaver Award

Best Booth Awards

ACMC Awards, continued...

Cured Meat Excellence Award

Clarence Knebel Best of Show Award

Saturday Banquet - 6:00 PM

Accomplishment Award

Achievement Award

Grand Prize Drawing

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- 2024 VC999, Kansas City, MO
- 2023 UltraSource LLC, Kansas City, MO
- 2022 Weaver Meats, Painesville, OH (Operator); Walke Brothers Meats, Claremore, OK (Operator); Bunzl Processor Division/Koch Supplies, Kansas City, MO (Supplier)
- 2021 RJ's Meats, Hudson, WI (Operator); Paradise Locker Meats, Trimble, MO (Operator), UltraSource LLC, Kansas City, MO (Supplier)
- 2020 RJ's Meats, Hudson, WI (Operator); We R Food Safety, Menomonie, WI (Supplier); ScottPec, Inc., Box Elder, SD (Supplier)
- 2019 UltraSource LLC, Kansas City, MO (Supplier); Landmark Snacks, Beatrice, NE (Operator)
- 2018 Thrushwood Farms Quality Meats – Galesburg, IL
- 2018 Walton's Inc., – Wichita, KS
- 2017 Thrushwood Farms Quality Meats – Galesburg, IL
- 2016 C&C Processing – Diller, NE
- 2015 Louie's Finer Meats Inc. – Cumberland, WI
- 2014 Haen Packing – Kaukauna, WI
- 2013 Bob's Processing Inc. – South Haven, MI
- 2012 Mar/Co Sales Inc. - Burnsville, MN
- 2011 ScottPec Inc. – Hecla, SD
- 2010 Bob's Processing Inc.– South Haven, MI
- 2009 Mar/Co Sales Inc. – Burnsville, MN
- 2008 George Lapsley Ent. – Pipersville, PA
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- 2004 Iowa State University – Ames, IA
- 2003 Halls' Meat Processing – Sabetha, KS
- 2002 Alpak Food Equipment – Portland, OR
- 2001 Mountain Meat Packing Inc. – Craig, CO
- 2000 The Country Butcher Inc.– Tolland, CT

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AAMP would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have helped make the 86th American Convention of Meat Processors & Suppliers' Exhibition a successful event.

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Student/University Schedule

Thursday, July 24

9:00 AM - 1:30 PM

Student volunteer time slots

12:00 PM

University Class Product Check-In

1:30 PM

University Class Judging

Friday, July 25

7:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Student volunteer time slots

Saturday, July 26

11:30 AM - 1:30 PM

Student volunteer time slots

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These members met September 2024 in Kansas City to discuss and plan the convention. Please take a moment to thank them for all of the time and work they devoted to help plan this event.

Scott Filbrandt, AAMP President
and Michele Mollard, 1st Lady
Bob's Processing Inc., South Haven, MI

Shane Flowers, AAMP Treasurer and Tanya Flowers
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Sausage Co., Billings, MT

Louis Fantasma, AAMP 1st Vice President
Paradise Locker Meats, Trimble, MO

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Matt Harper
VC999, Williamston, MI

Matt Wenger, ACMC Coordinator
Iowa State University, Ames, IA

Chris Young, AAMP Executive Director
Elizabethtown, PA

Niki Cloud
Convention Manager

The 2026 AAMP Convention Committee will meet September 25-26, 2025, in Milwaukee, WI. If you have any comments and/or suggestions, please let the AAMP staff or Shane Flowers know for the Committee's consideration.

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Tuesday - July 22, 2025

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

Executive Committee Meeting

Room Andy Kirk AB, Marriott

2:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting

Room Andy Kirk AB, Marriott

Wednesday - July 23, 2025

Pre-Convention Bus Tours

Pre-Registration required

*Check in with AAMP staff at the
Marriott Lobby*

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transportation and lunch included

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Bus Tour: Stops include KC Sausage,
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Meats, The Local Pig

9:00 AM - 3:30 PM

Spouse Tour: Enjoy shopping, lunch,
an interactive game room and more!

2:00 - 4:00 PM

Convention Registration

Level 2 Lobby, Kansas City Convention Center
(KCCC)

6:00 - 8:00 PM

President's Reception

Basie Ballroom, Marriott

Join AAMP President Scott Filbrandt & Family
for the President's Reception. All are welcome
to enjoy light refreshments. Don't forget to
bring your company's t-shirts if you will be
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Thursday - July 24, 2025

8:00 - 9:30 AM

Welcome Session

Rooms 3501 G/H, Kansas City Convention Center
(KCCC)

Attend this session for an overview of the coming week plus highlights of the convention.

Coffee and donuts will be available for those who attend the Welcome Session.

Opening Remarks:

Scott Filbrandt, AAMP President

Bob's Processing Inc., South Haven, MI

Presentation of Stephen F. Krut Scholarship Award

Presentation of the F.W. Witt Supplier of the Year Award:

Chris Young, Executive Director

AAMP, Elizabethtown, PA

Keynote Speaker:

Dan Meers "KC Wolf" mascot for the Kansas City Chiefs. Dan has a truly inspiring story to share about his journey as the mascot for the multi-Superbowl winning team. You will not want to miss him in a live setting!

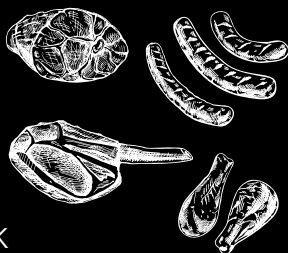
9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Convention Registration

Level 2 Lobby, KCCC

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Thursday - July 24, 2025

9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

American Cured Meat Championships –
ACMC Registration followed by Registration
for University Class
Room 1501, KCCC

Co-Technical Advisors:

Jonathan Campbell, Ph.D.
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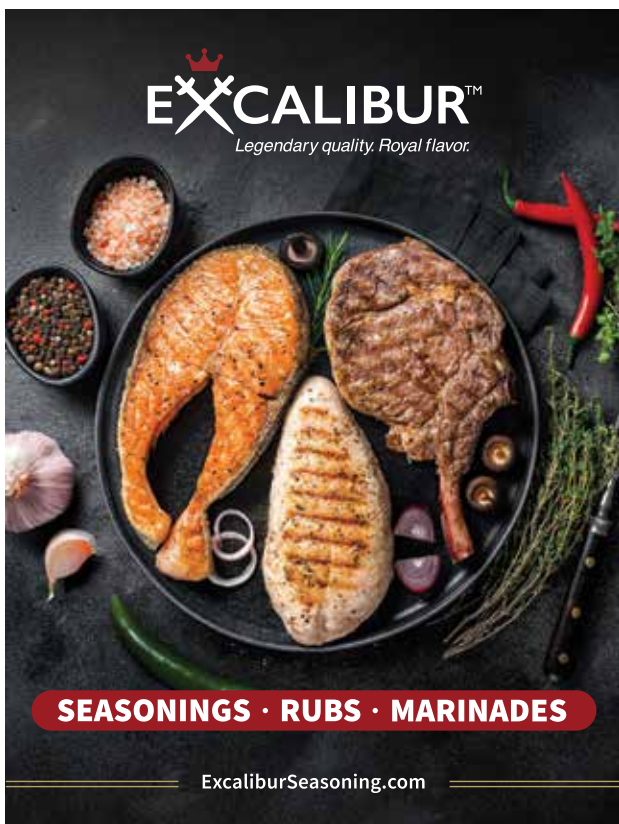
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ACMC Coordinator:

Matt Wenger, Iowa State University, Ames, IA

The advertisement features a dark, textured background. In the center is a black platter containing a large piece of salmon, a grilled fish fillet, a roasted chicken leg, and a small mushroom. Surrounding the platter are various fresh ingredients: a red chili pepper, a green chili pepper, a bunch of thyme, a whole shallot, a sliced shallot, and two small black bowls filled with different seasoning blends. The Excalibur logo, which includes a red crown above the word 'EXCALIBUR' with a stylized 'X', is positioned at the top center. Below the logo is the tagline 'Legendary quality. Royal flavor.' in a smaller, italicized font. At the bottom, a red banner with white text reads 'SEASONINGS · RUBS · MARINADES'. Below this banner, the website 'ExcaliburSeasoning.com' is displayed in white text, flanked by two horizontal lines.

Thursday - July 24, 2025

ACMC JUDGES

Dr. Eddie Behrends, New Mexico Livestock Board
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Mr. Noah Hall, UltraSource LLC
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Ms. Kelsey Sindelar, Jones Dairy Farm
Dr. Keith Underwood, South Dakota State University
Dr. Bryon Wiegand, University of Missouri

PROCESSOR JUDGE

Mr. Sam Western, Western's Smokehouse

UNIVERSITY CLASS JUDGES

Ms. Jennifer Dierkes, McDonald's Meats Inc.
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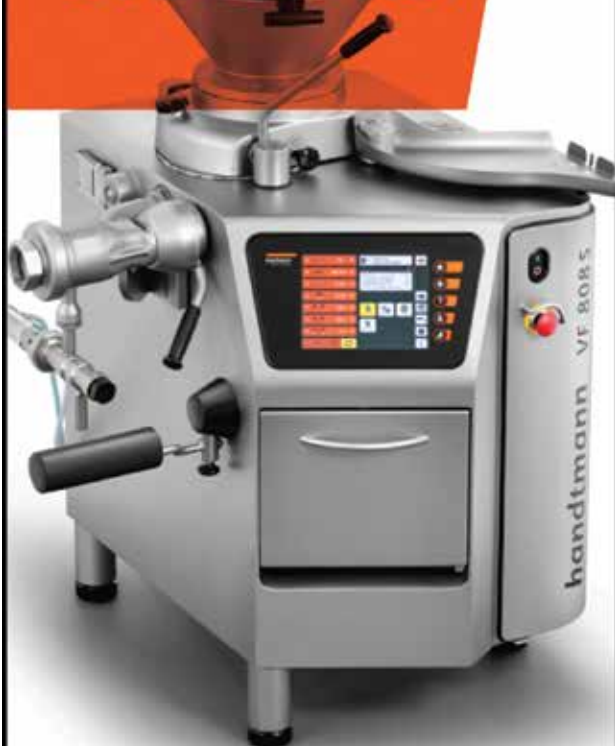
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Thursday - July 24, 2025

9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

New Member Meet & Greet

Room 3501 G/H

Speakers: Scott Filbrandt, AAMP President and Chris Young, AAMP Executive Director

Whether it's your 1st or 51st AAMP convention, join Scott and Chris as they talk all things AAMP, learn what you need to know to make the most of convention and have time to "meet" your fellow new members.

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Wellness, Resiliency and Mental Health

Room 3501A

Speakers: Nichole Sargent, Southpaw Packing, ME, Jennifer Thompson and Hannah Longley, NAMI, Maine

Moderator: Jamie Crumley, Harpley's, NC

Gain knowledge and learn about resources to help you and your team succeed.

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

How to lead your teams- SIMPLIFIED!

Room 3501B

Speaker: Michele Mollard, EOS

Moderator: Jake Nelson, OK/TX Assoc of Meat Processors

Maybe you have read or listened to more than several gurus on leadership. Maybe you have tried to introduce those complex tools in your company. What if you could learn 10 questions or practices that could change the way your employees show up daily, engage in their tasks and help grow the company. Attend this workshop to learn the 5 leadership practices and 5 management practices that are simple, clear and transformational.

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Pricing for Profit in Direct-to-Consumer Sales

Room 3501C

Speaker: Good Roots

Moderator: Joel Reck, Wenzel's Farms, WI

Learn practical ways to make your marketing resonate and deliver value.

10:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Cyber Security

Room 3501D

Speakers: Jake Sailer, Sailer's Food Market and Meat Processing, WI and Robert Austin

Jake will share his experience and Robert will discuss ways to protect your business.

Thursday - Jul 24, 2025

10:30 - 11:30 AM

Succession Planning

Room 3501G/H

Speaker: Steven Burger, Burger's Smokehouse, MO

Moderator: Tom Eickman, Eickman's Processing, IL

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11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Wellness, Resiliency and Mental Health
Room 3501A

Speakers: Nichole Sargent, Southpaw Packing, ME,
Jennifer Thompson and Hannah Longley, NAMI,
Maine

Gain knowledge and learn about resources to help
you and your team succeed.

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Smoked Fish
Room 3501B

Speaker: Scott Filbrandt, Bob's Processing Inc., MI

Moderator: Michele Mollard, EOS

Scott will guide you through the process of making
his award winning smoked fish.

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Clarity in Numbers
Room 3501C

Speaker: Good Roots

Moderator: Kelcey Christenson, 307 Meats, WY

Go over real numbers and learn how financial clarity
can evolve into strategies that drive your profit.

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Sanitation and Food Safety
Room 3501D

Speaker: We R Food Safety!

Join a panel of processors and We R Food Safety as
they discuss techniques on how to help you with
sanitation issues.

11:45 AM - 12:45 PM

Upcoming Industry Changes
Room 3501G/H

Speakers: Chris Young, AAMP and Bill Pointer, De-
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Thursday - July 24, 2025

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Exhibit Hall Opening and Ribbon Cutting

Exhibit Hall D, Join the AAMP Board at 12:50 PM to mark the official opening of the exhibit hall.

4:00 PM * \$100 Cash Prize Drawing - Must be present to win. * Exhibit Hall, KCCC

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Thursday Night Event- Chicken N Pickle/North

Charter buses will depart from the Marriott starting at 5:45 pm and will offer continuous service.

There is limited parking.

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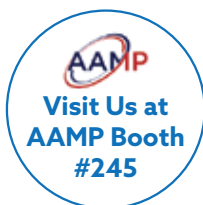
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Friday - July 25, 2025

8:00 AM - 9:30 AM

123 Charcuterie-Me and Sausages Demo Room
3501G/H

Speakers: Mike Sloan, Hermann Wurst Haus, MO
and Chris Kurzweil, Kurzweils' Country Meats, MO,
and Friends

Learn about summer sausages and salami and how
to transform your products into works of art on a
charcuterie board.

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM * Convention Registration,
Level 2 Lobby, KCCC

8:30 AM - 9:00 AM * Exhibitors' Meeting *
Exhibit Hall

9:30 AM - 12:30 PM * Exhibit Hall Open

10:00 AM and 12:00 PM * \$100 Cash Prize Drawing
- Must be present to win. *
Exhibit Hall

12:45 PM - 2:00 PM

Worlds Best BBQ Demo * Room 3501G/H

Speakers: Todd Johns, Plowboys BBQ, Scott Um-
scheid, Scott's Kitchen BBQ, Jim Pirotte, Garden
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Moderator: Mark Reynolds, Country Meat Shop, MO

Join BBQ Kings of KC as they talk all about the
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1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

State Affiliate Executive Directors Meeting
Room 3501D

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Friday - July 25, 2025

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

EOS 2.0

Room 3501A

Speaker: Michele Mollard, EOS

Moderator: Dianne Handsaker, IAMP/WAMP

Michele will talk about your frustrations as business owners and will provide ideas and solutions on how to ignite your staff.

2:15 PM - 3:15 PM

Optimizing Efficiency with Equipment

Room 3501B

Speaker: Jon Frohling, ScottPec

Moderator: Jerry Haun, Haun's Meats, WA

Hear from Jon about how the right equipment makes a huge impact on profits and efficiency.

5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Meat Industry Hall of Fame

Room 3501E/F

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Saturday - July 26, 2025

7:30 AM - 10:00 AM

ACMC Awards/Business Meeting

Room 3501G/H

Coffee and donuts will be available

Moderators for ACMC Awards:

Jonathan Campbell, Ph.D.

Kerres USA

Terry Houser, Ph.D.

Iowa State University, Ames, IA

Jeffrey Sindelar, Ph.D.

University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI

Presentation of ACMC Award Winners

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Iowa State: ACMC University Class awards

Bunzl Processor Division: Foam trays

Cured Meats Excellence Award

2011 Frohling Meats Inc. – Hecla, SD

2012 Sailer's Food Market & Meat Processing –
Elmwood, WI

2013 Dewig Meats – Haubstadt, IN

2014 Sailer's Food Market & Meat Processing –
Elmwood, WI

2015 Bardine's Country Smokehouse – Crabtree, PA

2015 Woods Smoked Meats, Inc. – Bowling Green, MO

2016 Dewig Meats – Haubstadt, IN

2017 Bardine's Country Smoke House – Crabtree, PA

2018 Country Meat Shop – Moberly, MO

2019 Dewig Meats – Haubstadt, IN

2020 No Recipient

2021 Dewig Meats – Haubstadt, IN

2022 Dewig Meats - Haubstadt, IN

2023 Dewig Meats - Haubstadt, IN

2024 Country Meat Shop - Moberly, MO

Saturday - July 26, 2025

Business Meeting

Join us for the annual AAMP Business Meeting, where you will hear a few words from AAMP's Executive Committee, discuss elections for AAMP's Board of Directors, and most importantly, a critical report on the state of the small plant operator in the meat and poultry industry, given by Chris Young. Awards will be presented at this session for the following:

Best Multiple Booths

Best Single Booth

Golden Cleaver Club Award

Presiding, Minutes:

Scott Filbrandt, AAMP President
Bob's Processing Inc., MI

Nominating Committee Report:

Dennis Schaardt, Chairman
Den's Country Meats Inc., NE

Election of Directors

Treasurer's Report:

Shane Flowers, AAMP Treasurer
Project Meats & Ranch House Sausage, MT

President's Report, Presentation of

Golden Cleaver Awards:

Scott Filbrandt, AAMP President
Bob's Processing Inc., MI

Presentation of Best Booth Awards:

Louis Fantasma, AAMP 1st Vice President
Paradise Locker Meats, MO

**Presentation of the Cured Meat
Excellence Award**

**Presentation of Clarence Knebel
Best of Show Award**

Saturday - July 26, 2025

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Convention Registration, Level 2 Lobby, KCCC

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM ACMC Product Viewing

**11:00 - 11:30 AM ACMC Scorecard and Product
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Room 1501, KCCC

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12:30 PM and 1:30 PM

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1:45 PM - 2:45 PM

Three Bull Sessions, Pick One

Room 3501A Custom Processing with AAMP Board members Jamie of Harpley's (NC), Tom of Eickman's (IL), Dustin of Strick's (MS) and Moderator Matt of VC999

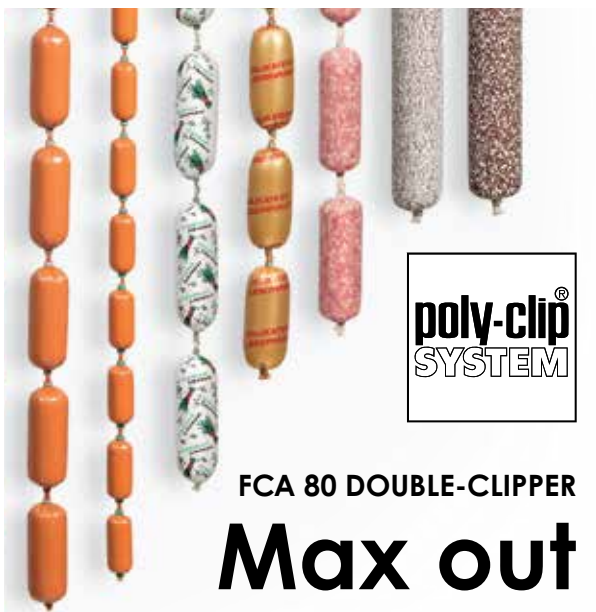
Room 3501B Retail with AAMP Board members Mark of Country Meats (MO), Tommy of Tommy G's (AK) and Moderator Scott of Excalibur Seasoning

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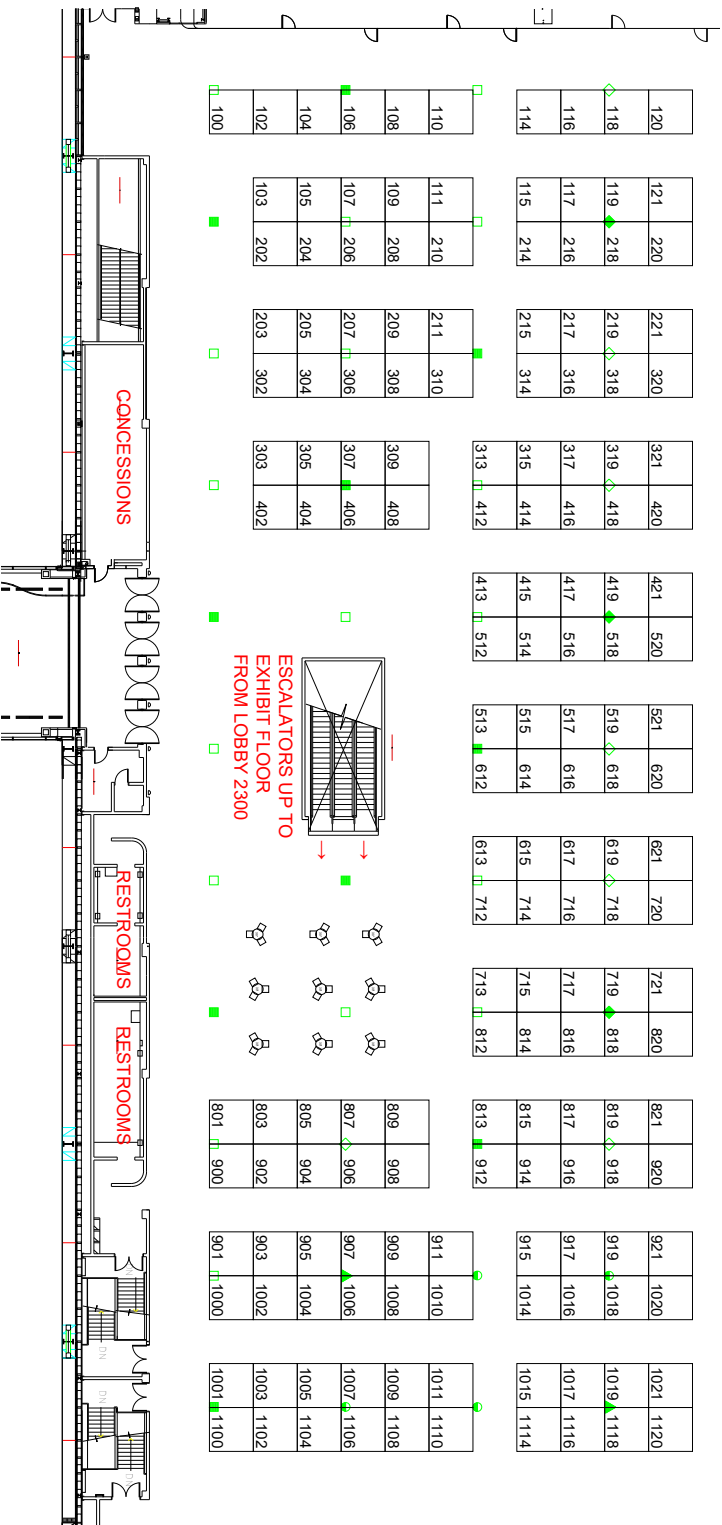
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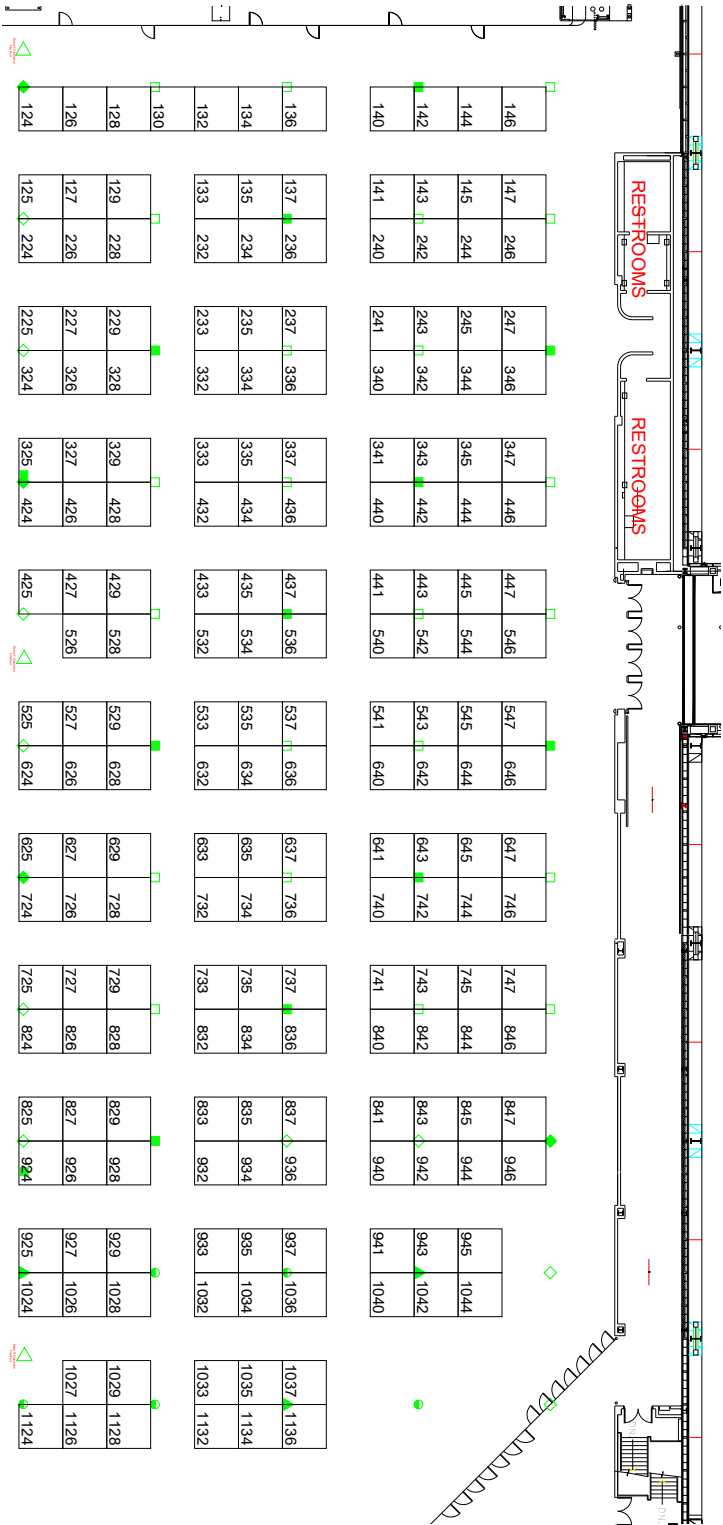
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2008	Farmers Place Downtown S. Edmeston, NY	2024	RJ's Meats Hudson, WI

Saturday - July 26, 2025

5:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Happy Hour & Banquet

Basie Ballroom, Marriott

The banquet will conclude the annual convention. The Achievement and Accomplishment Awards will be presented, and the Grand Prize winner will be drawn. The Grand Prize is a trip for two (2) to the 2026 American Convention of Meat Processors & Suppliers' Exhibition in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. The grand prize includes: economy airfare from any "major" gateway city in the U.S.; four (4) nights' accommodations, compliments of the Hilton Milwaukee; complimentary convention registration for two (2); and two (2) tickets to the Thursday Night Event and Saturday Banquet.

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Presentation of AAMP Accomplishment Award

Presentation of AAMP Achievement Award

Chris Young, Executive Director, AAMP

Sunday - July 27, 2025

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- 2016 Waltons, Inc. – Wichita, KS
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- 2009 Merlyn Eickman (Illinois Association of Meat Processors) – Pecatonica, IL
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- 2012 Grant & Inger Clark (Wyoming Meat Processors Association) – Riverton, WY
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- 2015 Anna Ondick (Southeast Meat Association) – Oviedo, FL
- 2016 Tom Katen (Cargill) – Willshire, OH
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- 2018 & 2019 No Nominees
- 2020 Rob & Julie Lorentz (Minnesota Association of Meat Processors) – Cannon Falls, MN
- 2021 No Nominees
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