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# Calf & Heifer Congress 2014

*"Birth to Breeding"*

PRO-DAIRY

Presented by: Northwest New York Dairy, Livestock & Field Crops Team  
In conjunction with Cornell University/PRO-DAIRY

## Wednesday December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014

## Pre-Conference Dinner & Program

*Moderator: Dr. Chris Rossiter Burhans, Poulin Grain, Inc.*

- 5:30 p.m. Evening reception and dinner to follow at 6:15 p.m.  
*Exhibits open*
- 6:45 p.m. How to Raise Calves Successfully on Automatic Calf Feeders  
*Jan Ziemerink, Forster-Technik North America*
- 8:00 p.m. Facilitated Q&A interaction between the speaker and audience
- 9:00 p.m. Adjourn

## Thursday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014

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- 9:00 a.m. Welcome
- 9:10 a.m. Keynote Presentation: Using Knowledge of Calf Behavior to Reduce Stress, Improve Weaning Success and Performance  
*Dr. Trevor DeVries, University of Guelph*
- 10:00 a.m. Calving Management – Training, Procedures and Calf Challenges  
*Dr. Mark Thomas, Countryside Veterinary Clinic, Dairy Health & Management Services*
- 10:50 a.m. Break  
*Exhibits open*
- 11:20 a.m. Research Updates
- 12:00 p.m. Lunch  
*Exhibits open*
- 1:00 p.m. Respiratory Disease – Assessment and Impact  
*Dr. Terri Ollivett, University of Wisconsin*
- 1:50 p.m. Advances in Heifer Nutrition  
*Dr. Fernando Soberon, Shur-Gain USA*
- 2:40 p.m. Break
- 3:10 p.m. Heifer Reproduction Programs, Technologies and Economics  
*Dr. Julio Giordano, Cornell University*
- 4:00 p.m. Genetic Reproductive Traits – Using Genomics and Daughter Pregnancy Rates  
*Dr. Kim Egan, CRI-Genex*
- 4:35 p.m. Facilitated Panel Discussion on Heifer Reproduction: Speakers, Invited Producers and Audience
- 5:10 p.m. Concluding Remarks
- 5:15 p.m. Adjourn