

**The 2009 Iowa Fruit and Vegetable
Growers and Marketers Conference
And Trade Show**

Friday, January 30, 2009

Sheraton Hotel, West Des Moines Iowa
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- 7:30 Trade Show opens, Continental Breakfast
Registration Check-in begins
- 8:30 **Welcome**
Mike Bevins – Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship
- 8:45 **Good Ag Practices Safety Begins on the Farm**
Keynote Speaker – Dr. Trevor Suslow, UC Davis, California
- 9:45 **Post Harvest Handling, Part I**
Keynote Speaker – Dr. Trevor Suslow, UC Davis, California
(washing, cooling, packaging and distribution of fresh fruits and vegetables)
- 10:30 **Break**
- 11:00 **Post Harvest Handling, Part II**
Keynote Speaker – Dr. Trevor Suslow, UC Davis, California
- 12:00 **Lunch** (Chicken Parmigiana – parmesan encrusted breast of chicken, ladled with
marinara, topped with fresh mozzarella, serve over fettuccine)
- 1:30 **GAP Audit**
Robert Bentley, Program Manager USDA/AMS
- 2:30 **Question & Answer**
Dr. Trevor Suslow & USDA GAP Auditors
- 3:15 **Break**
- 3:45 **Grower Panel: Growers' Experience with Good Ag Practices and Post Harvest
Handling**
Iowa Food Coop – Gary Huber (Practical Farmers of Iowa)
CSA – Jan Libbey (One Step at a Time Gardens)
Apple Orchard - Paul Rasch (Wilson's Orchard manager)
Institutional Selling – Ralph Couey
- 5:00 **Adjourn**