



# DISCOVERY **20** **14**

AgVantage Software's 29th Annual National Conference & User Exchange  
June 18-20 • The Commons Hotel • Minneapolis, MN

# AgVantage Software, Inc. 2014 Conference Agenda

## Wednesday, June 18

7:30 - 8:00 Registration, Continental Plus Breakfast—Conference Sponsor Exhibits - Mezzanine/Skyway level, Meridian Ballroom  
 8:00 - 9:45 Welcome — Lori Campbell, Conference Manager, “Re”-Discovery with AgVantage - Michelle Blomberg, President & CEO (9:45 - 10:00 Break)  
 10:00 - 11:30 **Discovering The Glass Ain't Half Empty, It's Just Too Big - (managing change)** Mark Mayfield, keynote speaker, comedian, entrepreneur  
 11:30 - 12:30 Lunch—Meridian Ballroom

	LAB	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture	Lecture	SQA
12:30 - 1:25	Intermediate Query, Pt. 1	AgVantagePC Energy	eAgVantage Grain Sales	Managing Mergers	Intro to Inventory	Harness The Power of Mobile—Commodity Update	Farm Agronomy Planning
1:35 - 2:30	Intermediate Query, Pt. 2	Working with Energy Management & CDD	eAgVantage A/R, EOY, Patronage, PayPal & Sales Reports	Using Technology for Grain Dept. Efficiencies	Intro to AgVantage Accounts Receivable	Patronage & CDD	Inventory SQA
2:30 - 2:50 Break							
2:50 - 3:45	The Power of GAP Reporting, Pt. 1	AgVantagePC Office Dispatching & Mapping	Going “Green” emailing Invoices, Statements, Payroll Stubs	I.T. Security In a Changing World	Intro to Grain Operations	Interpreting USDA Crop Reports	eAgVantage SQA
3:55 - 4:50	The Power of GAP Reporting, Pt. 2	AgVantagePC Energy & Dispatching CDD	DTN Interface – Integrated Hedging, Updating, Contracts	Effective Leadership Through Storytelling	Setting Up & Maintaining Legacy & eAgVantage Financials**	New Sorting & Credit Memo Options for A/R Statements	Maintaining Your Power System
5:50 - 8:30	<b>SOCIAL EVENT:</b> 5:50 Meet in lobby to walk to TCF Stadium, 2 blocks away, 6:05 “30” photo on the football field 6:15-7:15 Stadium tours available every 15 minutes 6:15-8:00 Buffet Dinner served, Discovery Themed Party, (adventurer/explorer/inventor/nerd) — attendance prizes (costume judging at 7:30 & attendance prizes at 7:45)						

## Thursday, June 19

6:00-7:00 a.m. optional Intro to Yoga, meet in hotel lobby 7:15 - 8:15 a.m. Breakfast—Meridian Ballroom—Sponsor Exhibits Mezzanine Level

8:15 - 9:10	Intermediate Excel, Pt. 1	Intro to AgVantagePC Agronomy	Accounts Receivable CDD	AgVantage Future Discover the Next Generation of the System, Pt. 1	Inventory, Success Is In The Details	AgVantagePC Grain Scale with Applied Contracts	Accounts Payable SQA
9:20 - 10:15	Intermediate Excel, Pt. 2	AgVantagePC Agronomy—Advanced for Current Users	Precision Marketing for Innovative Agri-Business VistaComm	AgVantage Future Discover the Next Generation of the System, Pt. 2	Inventory Item Pricing—Global Price Upd., New Price Spreadsheets	Balancing Grain, Daily Position & Long/Short	Payroll SQA
10:15 - 10:30 Break—Sponsor Exhibits—Mezzanine Level							
10:30 - 11:25	AgVantagePC Point of Sale **	eAgVantage Commodity DPR, CDD**	Credit & Collections at Skagit Farmers Cooperative	Discovering the New IBM i	Inventory Purchase Orders, Inventory Receiving	How Grain Affects your General Ledger	Container Tracking SQA & CDD
11:35 - 12:35 “Lightning Rounds” - quick 5 minute presentations on amazing ideas—Meridian Ballroom							
12:35 - 1:35 - Lunch—Meridian Ballroom							
1:35 - 2:30	V8 Grain Reports, iSeries, Adobe PDF, Pt. 1	NEW AgVantagePC Seed & eAgVantage Seed, Pt. 1	On Demand Contracting (Agronomy, Energy, etc...)	Discover Mobile System Access	Inventory Reports, Costing, Analysis & CDD	Employee Management, Delegating Tasks, Pt. 1	Accounts Receivable SQA
2:40 - 3:35	V8 Grain Reports, eAgVantage, Pt. 2	NEW AgVantagePC Seed & eAgVantage Seed, Pt. 2	CMS/Customer Relationship Management & CDD	Cyber Crime: Securing Your I.T. Environment	Inventory Transfers Between Locations	Employee Management, Delegating Tasks, Pt. 2	Patronage SQA
3:35 - 3:50 Break							
3:50 - 4:45	Advanced Query	AgVantagePC Agronomy SQA & CDD	Grain CDD	Payroll, ETA & CDD	Physical Inventory, Mobile Devices	AgVantage Version 8**	Energy SQA
5:55-9:30	<b>DINNER &amp; SHOW—TONIC SOL-FA</b> (5:55—meet in lobby to walk to McNamara Alumni Center) 6:00-7:00 Cocktails & Appetizers—Heritage Gallery open for viewing 7:00-8:00 Buffet Dinner 8:00-9:30 Tonic Sol-fa concert (Dessert will be served during a 15 minute intermission)						

## Friday, June 20

6:00-6:30 a.m. Outdoor fitness walk with Lori Campbell, meet in hotel lobby 7:30 - 8:15 Breakfast –Meridian Ballroom  
 8:15 - 8:40 **AgVantage Discover Channel** - Theresa Willems, VP Customer Services

8:50 - 9:45	AgVantage Feed & Feed Scale CDD	AgVantagePC Point of Sale, Advanced for Current Users	Emailing Grain Purchase Contracts w/ Electronic Signatures	“Green” Options for a More Paperless World	Tips for Installing PCs, PTF's, Passwords	Setting Up & Maintaining Legacy & eAgVantage Financials**	Input Financing Roundtable
9:55 - 10:50	IBM DB2 Web Query for i, Pt. 1	Building Your Brand—Websites, CRM, & Social Networking	AgVantagePC Grain Scale Advanced & CDD	Options for Replacing Cardrol or Profit Point	Everyday Tips To Improve Efficiency	Invoice Maintenance—Balancing Batches	AgVantagePC Seed SQA
10:50 - 11:05 Break							
11:05 - 12:00	IBM DB2 Web Query for i, Pt. 2	AgVantage Version 8**	eAgVantage Commodity DPR, CDD**	TBD	Accounts Payable Features & CDD	Optional Features for Security & Efficiency	Grain SQA

# “Discovery”

## 29th National Conference & User Exchange

### Why Attend The National Conference?

#### 1. Stay Current In Agri Business

Gain a new perspective on how to use your current software. Learn about new technology & software while choosing from seven concurrent sessions. Then take back what you learn and be more effective in your job.

#### 2. Customer Networking

You have an amazing opportunity to network with other AgVantage® Customers, our Agri Business Partners, and our staff. These tremendous connections have sustained this customer conference for 29 years—the longest span of any software company in the agribusiness industry!

#### 3. Customer Driven Development Sessions (CDD)

By attending the conference, you help to direct the future path of AgVantage Software.

#### 4. Attend Classes Presented By Your Peers

Our incredible customers have been very generous as they serve on panels, teach classes, present “Lightning Bolts” and assist our AgVantage staff.

#### 5. Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

This is an informal time to meet with AgVantage staff and ask questions about your specific company situation.

#### 6. AgVantage Software Discounts

Discounts are always offered to conference attendees for AgVantage Software purchased by the end of July.

### 2014 Platinum Sponsors



#### Tuesday, June 17

#### 4:30-5:15 p.m. U of M Campus Walk

Meet in lobby. Come and explore the U of M Campus with Lori Campbell.

#### 8:00 - 9:30 p.m. Early Registration & Welcome Reception

This reception is a great chance to network and pick up your registration materials early. This networking event will be held on the lobby level near the restaurant & outside, or on the 2nd floor near the Meridian Ballroom. Spouse/guest welcome.

### Wednesday, June 18th

6:00-7:00 a.m. Outdoor Fitness walk with Pat Badger.  
Meet in hotel lobby

#### 7:30 - 8:00 a.m.

Registration & Sponsor Exhibits -  
Mezzanine/Skyway Level  
Meridian Ballroom, Continental Plus Breakfast

### Wednesday 8:00 - 8:10



#### Welcome To Our 29th National Conference & User Exchange

Meridian Ballroom  
- Mezzanine Level  
Lori Campbell  
Conference Manager

### Wednesday 8:10 - 9:45



#### “Re”-Discover with AgVantage

Michelle Blomberg  
President & CEO  
AgVantage Software, Inc.

It's hard to explain, but we all know what happens when a partnership or group has chemistry: it's important in any relationship.

When co-workers have fun together, they communicate better and connect on a deeper level. And when they connect, this creates trust, which enables individuals to take greater risks with the knowledge that they have their team behind them.

In order for a company to innovate, communication and teamwork are a prerequisite. Innovation isn't a spontaneous occurrence. Innovation is often the result of individual creativity and initiative. None of these can occur as effectively without the element of fun that enables risk.



When co-workers have fun together, they are more likely to create ideas together, solve problems together and build great success together. Participants learn how to stay in the game, work in the moment, and help each other be successful by asking themselves a very important question: How may I help the people around me become more successful?

Come hear Michelle share stories of how AgVantage “re-discovered” what is important to remain innovative. The backbone to AgVantage culture is now Teamwork, Change, Innovation & Leadership.

**BREAK 9:45-10:00 a.m.**

### Wednesday 10:00 - 11:30



Mark Mayfield

Keynote:  
**Discovering The Glass Ain't Half Empty, It's Just Too Big!**

#### Change Management

This is a humorous approach to a very serious subject and emphasizes that creativity is the key component in managing change. Learn change theory and creative exercises in this upbeat, fast-paced program that will leave you laughing and leave you with change management skills.

Known as “The Corporate Comedian”, Mark Mayfield has merged together his corporate background as a lobbyist and his comedy background as a nightclub performer to create an extremely unique and comedic presentation style. He gives over 100 presentations annually.

Mark Mayfield's philosophy is simple... say it with humor, and people will take the message home. He has received rave reviews sharing the stage with a wide variety of celebrities like Paul Newman, Peter Frampton, Colin Powell, and Bob Newhart and has introduced the President of the United States on a live, nationwide television broadcast. He has also been inducted into the National Speakers Association “Speaker Hall of Fame”.

Raised on a farm in Caney, Kansas, he received two degrees from Kansas State University and served as National President of the FFA. He has spent time as a high school teacher, a farmer, a corporate lobbyist, was partner of an innovative golf instruction facility, was a professional model and spokesperson in print and television commercials, and owned a top rated nightclub. Mark is author of the popular book, Mom's Rules, a comedic yet poignant look at those things Mom said to us as kids.

#### Gold Keynote Speaker Sponsor:



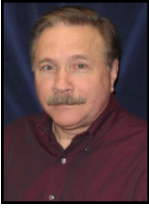
*“You challenged our executives and provided an exciting kickoff. It was REAL content with REAL comedy.”*

*Ocean Spray Cranberries*

**LUNCH 11:30-12:30 - Ballroom**



## Wednesday 12:30 - 1:25



### Intermediate Query Pt. 1, Lab

Mike Smark  
System Installation & Training Technician  
Prerequisite: Intro to Query (Level: Intermediate)

- Joining files / defining result fields
- Complex / powerful record selection
- Formatting output for files and reports
- Discussion/examples of Auditing/Analyzing financial data for internal/external use
- Exercises and samples to take with you



### AgVantagePC™ Energy Management

Dawn Klingfus  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

We will learn how to set up, sync, and create a ticket in the program. We will discuss the new features and operating procedures.

- Setup and configuration
- New features overview
- Basic operation, creating a simple ticket
- Contracts, special pricing, and discounts
- Advanced operation—LC, MID:COM, & GPS
- Updating procedures



### eAgVantage Grain Sales

Dawn Nemecek  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- See your Grain sales contract "balances" with terminals and with your customers
- Know where to send truckers without printing sales reports
- View in-transit, applied, settled and invoiced
- View customers' contracted grain as soon as they are invoiced



### Managing Mergers

Jamie Pratt  
I.T. Systems Manager  
Legacy Farmers Cooperative  
Findlay, Ohio  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- What's important and what's not important when managing a merger. Setting priorities.
- Established March 1, 2014 through a merger between

Blanchard Valley Farmers Cooperative and Deshler Farmers Elevator Company, Legacy Farmers Cooperative is a locally owned farmers' cooperative located in Findlay, Ohio and the surrounding counties of Hancock, Henry, Putnam, Seneca, and Wood. The new Legacy Farmers Cooperative has 19 locations including five agronomy locations, Lawn and Pet (feed, farm, turf and garden), two petroleum cardrol locations, liquid fuel and lubricant delivery, and 11 grain facilities.



### Intro To Inventory

Mark Meyer  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

- Setup fine line codes, departments, and items
- Turning on lot tracking
- Vendor reorder numbers, multiple UPC codes
- Transfer items
- Remove duplicate items
- Inventory Constants File



### Come Learn How To Harness the Power of Mobile—Commodity Update

Joel Jaeger  
Founder/CEO  
Commodity Update 651-275-1300  
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Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic/Intermediate)

Commodity Update, now in conjunction with Farm Journal Mobile, is the leading provider of Agricultural information to mobile phones.

- Come learn how to harness the power of mobile & "Big Data" to effectively market to farmers in your area.



### Farm Agronomy Planning

Tully Waddingham  
I.T. Director  
North Central Cooperative  
Clarion, IA

North Central Cooperative is a farmer owned coop handling grain, feed, fertilizer, chemicals, seed and petroleum. NCC has 7 locations.

Field Steps is a tool developed by North Central Cooperative to allow agronomists to sit down with the farmer and plan their agronomic inputs field by field eliminating many of the repetitive tasks involved with that planning. The program is set up on an Excel spreadsheet and divides each field into tabs including; aerial maps, fertilizer needs, fertilizer calculations, chemistry, seed, and cash flow of that field. If no detailed field information is provided by the farmer, it can also be used as an enterprise tool with all acres grouped together by crop. Step by step demonstration of the program as well as time for questions at the end.

## Wednesday 1:35 - 2:30

### Intermediate Query, Pt. 2, Lab

Mike Smark, System Installation and Training Tech  
Prerequisite: Intermediate/Advanced Query, Pt. 1 (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Defining ideal report totals/breaks, detail/summary output
- Creating special reports / files to use in other queries
- Transferring file data to use in Excel, etc...
- Discussion/Examples of Auditing/Analyzing financial data for auditors



### Working With Energy Management & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Mary Jo Meyer  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

We will review Energy Management tank file maintenance, degree day, and why daily entries are important.

- File setup, Degree Day, and Review Reports
- Customer Driven Development



### eAgVantage™ Accounts Receivable, End of Year, Patronage, & PayPal

Rick Prinsen  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

Offer your customers the ability to see their statement, drill into invoices, grain information, and customer's equity and patronage. End of year information to use for tax purposes. Now your customers can bring their account information down to their home PC's and into their own accounting systems—Quickbooks, Excel, etc. New PayPal option as a low cost solution.



### Using Technology for Grain Department Efficiencies

Mike Myers  
Grain Marketing Manager  
Sunrise Cooperative, Inc.  
Fremont, OH

Sunrise Cooperative is a farmer owned cooperative with over 3,100 members, specializing in grain, agronomy, feed, and energy. The cooperative has 13 locations and sales of \$700 million.

- Electronic Signatures
- Emailing Grain Contracts & Settlements
- AgVantage linkage w/Advance Trading (generates Farmer Purchase contracts)
- Cross-Selling Strategy
- Leveraging cross-selling to grow with Key Accounts



**Intro To AgVantage Accounts Receivable**  
Michelle Sirosky  
Customer Services Rep.

- Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)
- Counter vs. transaction maintenance
  - Fine line codes vs. departments
  - Price levels and discounts
  - Payment types—discounts or not
  - Tax codes and exemptions
  - Term codes



**Patronage & Customer Driven Development (CDD)**  
Kristi Wendricks  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

- New features
- Patronage constant file
- Check distributions and 1099's
- eAgVantage
- Customer Driven Development

### Inventory Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Mark Meyer and Kristin Ehlen, Customer Services Representatives. Please go to Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer session.

**BREAK 2:30-2:50 p.m.**

## Wednesday 2:50 - 3:45

### The Power of GAP Reporting, Pt. 1, Lab

Dawn Nemechek  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: Query skills helpful, but not required  
Level: Intermediate

- Review A/R setup—Dept/Fine Line Codes/Items
- Selection criteria—Do's & Don'ts
- Grain Received and Grain Purchased
- Define columns for sales quantities and amounts

### AgVantagePC™ Office Fuel Dispatching & Mapping

Dawn Klingfus, Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)  
We will discuss the new features and operating procedures

- Setup and configuration
- New features overview
- Basic operation, creating a simple ticket
- Contracts, special pricing, and discounts
- Advanced operation—LC, MID:COM, & GPS
- Updating Procedures



**Going "Green" - emailing Invoices, Statements, Grain Settlements, and Payroll Stubs**  
Ben Johnson  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

- Setting up customer databases
- Sending invoices from customer lookup
- Sending statements at end of month
- Sending grain settlements
- Sending employee payroll stubs
- Sending Vendor ACH stubs



**I.T. Security in a Changing World**  
Jim Halvorsen  
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Assurance Services  
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Michelle Blomberg  
AgVantage President/CEO  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Adv.)

In an information-sharing environment, awareness of information security is paramount. Not all information is public. Some information, particularly information that is sensitive or confidential in nature, must be kept private.

Integral to the success of a security awareness program will be the knowledge that the members of an organization possess, with regard to the information assets of the organization. The greatest factor will always be the human factor. System security may become perfect one day, but people will never be. An organization may have perfect technical security, but someone can still be tricked into handing over their password. Therefore, security is everyone's responsibility. Users must understand that they



represent the most important part of the security program.

Michelle and Jim will show how they each have approached security within their companies and why it is rapidly becoming important to each person every day.

### Intro to Grain Operations

Rick Prinsen  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

- Daily operations & grain terminology
- Navigating menus from screen to screen
- Ticket entry, contracts, settlements
- Commonly used reports



**Interpreting USDA Crop Reports**  
Dan Uttech  
Feed Ingredient Purchasing Mgr.  
New Vision Cooperative  
Brewster, MN  
Prerequisite: None  
Level: Intermediate/Advanced

Dan Uttech has been in the grain and feed ingredient business since 1980, and has a real passion for sharing grain marketing information with both employees and customers. New Vision Cooperative currently has 17 locations with annual sales this past year in excess of \$500 million.

Do USDA Crop Reports influence grain prices? Without a doubt! Could you provide valuable insights to your customers by understanding some of the key areas in USDA Reports? Without a doubt!

**Producers agree that their biggest challenge in their farming operations today is grain marketing and risk management.** This session will enable and equip you to better serve their biggest need! Attend and you will learn and feel better prepared to benefit your customer base and your company.

- Give your customers and staff improved market knowledge and understanding
- Improved professional image in the eyes of your customers
- Improved confidence with new marketing contracts, programs and strategies
- End result—improved performance and profits!

### eAgVantage Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Theresa Willems, VP Customer Services, and Pat Badger, Senior Software Engineer  
Please go to Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer session.



## Wednesday 3:55 - 4:50



### The Power of GAP Reporting, Pt. 2, Lab

Dawn Nemecek  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: Gap Report., Pt. 1  
Level: Intermediate

- Generate mailing lists
- Create form letters—export to Excel using Mail Merge into Word



### AgVantagePC™ Energy & Office Dispatching, Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Dawn Klingfus  
Customer Services Representative

Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

- Current projects
- Prioritize updates to existing programs
- Vote on requests



### DTN Interface - Integrated Hedging, Updating Contracts, Futures, Basis

Co-Instructors:  
**Don Konz**  
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DTN/The Progressive Farmer  
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**Steve Sturm**  
Grain Merchandiser  
All American Cooperative  
Stewartville, MN



**Lori Bilderback**  
Senior Software Engineer  
AgVantage Software, Inc.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intern.)

DTN/The Progressive Farmer is revolutionizing the agriculture industry with its game-changing agricultural information solutions and market intelligence that enable

customers to actively and effectively manage their businesses. The company's insightful, independent content along with proprietary business management tools and in-depth market analysis empower better decision making from today's forward-looking agricultural producers, agribusiness leaders and commodity market traders.

- DTN Grain Portal is an offer deck management and hedging tool that provides a centralized system to manage 100 percent of your offers while supplying your customers with online documentation. It

keeps your offers in sync with your web site's basis changes and can be used with any commodity to help increase efficiencies in all business units.

- DTN integrates with AgVantage to supply a seamless solution for grain contracts and market-to-market valuation process.



### Effective Leadership Through Storytelling

Michelle Blomberg, President/CEO  
AgVantage Software  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

An agronomy sales rep, the agronomy bookkeeper and the agronomy manager were going to lunch when they found an antique oil lamp. They rubbed it and a genie came out. The genie said, "I'll give each of you just one wish."

"Me first!" says the sales rep., "I want to be in the Bahamas, driving a speedboat, without a care in the world." Poof! She was gone.

"Me next!" says the bookkeeper. "I want to be in Hawaii, relaxing on a beach with my personal masseuse, and an endless supply of pina colodas." Poof! He was gone.



"OK, you're up," the genie says to the manager. The manager says, "I want those two back in the office after lunch."

Moral: Always let your boss have the first say.

Come hear Michelle share the use of story in the workplace and how it has been effective in transforming culture.



### Setting Up & Maintaining Legacy & eAgVantage Financials\*\*

Kristin Ehlen  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate)

- File and Member Data
- Locating Postings assigned to Financial Statements
- Copying Existing Financial Statements
- Changing Data within your Financial Statements

\*\* Sessions with two asterisks are offered twice during the conference.



### New Sorting & Credit Memo Options for A/R Statements

Michelle Sirosky  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic)

#### Balance Forward; Open Invoice; Combined; Revolving Fund

You may now sort statements by age and/or include a credit memo on past due balance statements. Which statement format is right for your customers: Balance Forward; Open Invoice; Combined; Revolving Fund? Your chosen option may be company-wide or you may have a mix of all, or as many of, the formats as you want. Find out what's available and the needed setup for each.



### Maintaining Your Power System

Brad Belcher  
Systems Analyst, Hardware Sales & Technician  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Adv.)

Learn why it is critical to maintain your system. From keeping current on IBM PTFs, to maintaining backups and user security.

We will cover:

- IBM PTFs
- Nightly backup
- Full system save
- Testing restores

## Social Event 5:50 - 8:30 p.m.

### Theme: Discovery



#### TCF Stadium, Indoor Club Room (Spouse/guest welcome)

- 5:50 Meet in Hotel Lobby to walk together to TCF Stadium
- 6:05 "30" photo on the football field
- 6:15-7:15 Stadium tours every 15 min.
- 6:15-8:00 Casual buffet dinner served  
Food, beverages, prizes, & networking
- 7:30 Costume judging—come dressed as your favorite inventor/explorer/adventurer/nerd etc...
- 7:45 Attendance Prizes 8:30 Departure

## THURSDAY, JUNE 19

6-7 a.m. Meet in the hotel lobby at six for an Intro to Yoga class! Lots of fun and beginners are welcome!

**BREAKFAST 7:15 - 8:15 a.m.**  
Meridian Ballroom  
Sponsor Exhibits - Mezzanine Level

## Thursday 8:15 - 9:10



### Intermediate Excel Pt. 1, Lab

Theresa Willems  
V.P. Customer Services  
Prerequisite: Basic usage of Excel or Introductory Class  
(Level: Intermediate)

#### Orientation & Efficiency

- Editing – Simple and Special Pasting
- Outline – Group Layers, Subtotaling across categories
- Cell References – Linking cells, Absolute references for cells & columns

#### Data Handling

- Data Validation – adding dropdowns to improve data integrity
- Date & Time functions – NOW, TODAY, SECOND, NETWORKING
- Text Functions – FIND, LEN, CLEAN, TRIM, CONCATENATE
- Logical and Lookup functions – TRUE, FALSE, VLOOKUP, MATCH
- Macros



### Intro to AgVantagePC™ Agronomy

Terri Schwarzrock  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic)

- Setup/Settings
- Updating the program
- Blending options
- Price Quote/Price Sheet

### Accounts Receivable Customer Driven Development

Michelle Sirosky, Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Current projects
- Prioritize updates to existing programs
- Vote on requests



### AgVantage Future— Discover the Next Generation of the System, Pt. 1

Michelle Blomberg  
President & CEO  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

AgVantage Software has many opportunities to take the system mobile. Michelle and her team will take you into the world of mobility with AgVantage. The ability for your customers and employees to access information from wherever they are has become the forefront of your business.

The sky is the limit. The number of devices you can use to access this information is unlimited, such as the iPad, iPhone, Droid, other tablets and smart phones. With taking the system mobile comes many challenges, such as training, security, email, and document sharing. Let's determine the next dimension of ag-focused systems together.

**AgVantagePAC**—What is it? What's the future of the "green screen"? See how to take the ENTIRE AgVantage system mobile. We will show a "live" demo of the first module, plus the path to the rest of the system. Come and see the next generation of the AgVantage systems.



### Inventory—Success is in the Details

Dennis Boccardi  
Inventory & I.T.  
Ursa Farmers Cooperative  
Ursa, IL  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- How UFC keeps their item numbers up-to-date, well organized, and maintained within their system.
- Organize inventory and create count sheets
- Create and Practice internal controls
- Department, FLC's and correct G/L's
- Purchase Orders, Inventory Received, Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable

UFC has nine locations, 2,400+ members and employs more than 80 full and part-time employees. It has four river locations and the cooperative handled more than 24 million bushels of grain this past year. Dennis Boccardi has been with the cooperative for four years.

**Early Registration Savings!**  
Register by Friday, May 16, 2014 to save \$100 off of the full, three day conference rate.



### AgVantagePC™ Grain Scale with Applied Contracts, Lab

Tim Machutt  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic)



- Navigation through the program
- Processing purchases, sales, and transfer tickets
- Live apply process / eAgVantage tool
- Processing Weigh Only / Anhydrous / Agronomy tickets
- End of day processing

### Accounts Payable Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Valerie Ahlers and Brenda Dvorak, Customer Services Representatives Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time.

## Thursday 9:20 - 10:15

### Intermediate Excel Part 2, Lab

Theresa Willems, V.P. Customer Services  
Prerequisite: Part 1  
(Level: Intermediate)

#### Data Analysis

- Mathematical Functions
- Summarizing Data using AVERAGE, MAX, MIN
- "What if" analysis
- Pivot Tables
- Modeling Principles & Techniques

#### Presentation

- Cell Formatting
- Graphs & Charts
- Conditional Formatting

### AgVantagePC™ Agronomy, Advanced for Current Users

Terri Schwarzrock  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

- Multiple Locations
- Farm/Field Maintenance
- Field Maps/Grower Documents
- Batch sizes
- Wholesale/Split Batch Orders



## Thursday 9:20 - 10:15 cont.



### Precision Marketing for Innovative Agri-Business

Laurie Hoffmann  
Director of Business Development  
VistaComm, Sioux Falls, SD  
866-752-7707

www.VistaComm.com

Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

VistaComm, America's Precision Marketing Leader for Agri-Business delivers game changing products and services that help you reach both customers and prospects with pinpoint accuracy.

- Solidify customer relationships
- Identify prospects you don't know you have
- Grow faster than your competition

### AgVantage Future—Discover the Next Generation of the System, Pt. 2

Michelle Blomberg, President & CEO

Prerequisite: AgVantage Future—Discover the Next Generation of the System, Part 1 (Level: Intermediate)

- Continuation of Part 1



### Inventory Item Pricing—Global Price Updates, New Price Spreadsheet

Chuck Bohanon, Senior Sales and Service Analyst  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

- Updating prices from a spreadsheet
- Changing prices in all locations at one time
- Basing a price level on another price level
- Global price update features and functions
  - Now uses feed rations as well as inventory blends for computer costs
- Margins vs. markups, Margin amount & margin %
- Quantity breaks



### Balancing Grain—Daily Position & Long/Short

Karen Tidd  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic/Intermediate)

- Types of Reports
- Balancing
- Troubleshooting

### Payroll- Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Valerie Ahlers and Brenda Dvorak, Customer Services Representatives. Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time.

**BREAK 10:15-10:30 p.m.**

## Thursday 10:30 - 11:25



### AgVantagePC™ Point of Sale, Lab

Jason Schneider  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic/Intermediate)

- Setup and program options
- Cash, charges, payments, and returns
- Multiple pay types
- Hotkey and Point of Sale reporting
- Split invoices

### eAgVantage™ Commodity DPR & Customer Driven Development (CDD) \*\*

Chuck Bohanon, Senior Sales & Service Analyst  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Compare sales and purchase contract balances
- Combine like products into a single DPR
- Receive products off purchase contracts
- Bring commodity DPR into Excel for additional analysis
- Agronomy blends & work orders included
- Email to selected staff

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### Credit & Collections at Skagit Farmers Supply

Kathy Green  
Credit Manager  
Skagit Farmers Supply  
Burlington, WA

Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

- Using the Budget program in Credit
- Utilizing ACH/Budget
- Negotiating the resistance to ACH as a requirement
- Tools to communicating with your working energy customer

Kathy has worked in the credit industry for the past 19 years and has experience in many different trade arenas; from manufacturing of professional audio equipment to commercial steel construction. Agri-business is now her favorite and she has been with Skagit Farmers Supply for two and a half years. She is a member of NACM, a city council woman, and the mother of two grown boys. Skagit Farmers Supply was established in 1934 and today provides agronomy, propane, and refined fuel products along with operating thirteen retail stores and a multi-state distribution center in the Pacific Northwest.



### Discovering the New IBM i

Tim Rowe  
Business Architect Application Development & Systems Management for IBM i  
IBM i Development Lab  
Rochester, MN

IBM i is the "Integration" operating system on IBM's Power Systems. Its heritage of stability, security and low total cost of ownership lays the foundation for its success today and into the future. Tim Rowe, Business Architect for IBM i - Application Development and Systems management, will talk about the current state of IBM i, the direction of its next enhancements, and possibilities for the future. He will also discuss the key technologies which should be adopted by the community to gain the most benefit from the platform in the future.

Tim Rowe has worked for IBM in Rochester, Minn. for more than two decades. He currently has the responsibility for ensuring that the platform has the infrastructure and components necessary for customers to develop, build, and run applications on IBM i.

Tim works with Rational and WebSphere on a daily basis and also has IBM i responsibility for the IBM HTTP Server, Web Administration GUI interface, integrated web application server for i, web services server for i, and other application components.

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# Lightning Rounds

**Thursday 11:35 - 12:35**



## Inventory Purchase Orders & Inventory Receivers

Mark Meyer  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate)

- Setting up purchase order areas
- Creating a purchase order
- Running suggested purchase order reports
- Pulling purchase orders into Inventory Receiving and/or Accounts Payable
- Reconciling your inventory receiver general ledger accounts

## How Grain Affects Your General Ledger

Karen Tidd  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic/Intermediate)

- Cash vs. accrual basis
- G/L transactions generated
- Tips for balancing grain payables
- Exercises

## Container Tracking—Staff Question & Answer (SQA) & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Terri Schwarzrock, Customer Services Representative and Bonnie Fohrman, Vice President, Programming Department. Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time. This SQA will also include an opportunity to vote on potential new enhancements to this product.

Michelle Blomberg, “Lightning Rounds” facilitator— Meridian Ballroom These are five minute attendee presentations to the entire group. There is a buzzer after five minutes and then the next person starts. Come and hear what other attendees are doing to make their workday more efficient, productive, and fun.



## Lightning Round Presenters



**1. HOW MY CO-OP USES SOCIAL MEDIA FOR PROMOTIONS & UPDATES**  
Brandi Anderson  
Branch Manager—London Grain Heritage Cooperative, Inc.  
London, OH



**2. INSTANT INFO WITH eAGVANTAGE GRAIN SALES**  
Steve Sturm  
Grain Merchandiser  
All American Cooperative  
Stewartville, MN



**3. WHY WE USE CREDIT LIMITS AND F9 NOTES**  
Mary Beth Schade  
Credit & Admin. Services, Dir.  
United Cooperative  
Beaver Dam, WI



**4. MONITORING SCHEDULED DELIVERY ENERGY CUSTOMERS WHEN CREDIT IS A CHALLENGE**  
Lisa Olson, I.T. Manager  
Medford Cooperative  
Medford, WI



**5. WHY I LIKE eAGVANTAGE SEED**  
Shelly Kubicek  
Logistics/Procurement  
United Cooperative  
Beaver Dam, WI



**6. INTERFACING SEED PRODUCTS & SHIPMENTS FROM SEED MANUFACTURERS**  
Randy Fry  
Data Processing & I.S. Mgr.  
Ceres Solutions LLP  
Terre Haute, IN



**7. AUTOMATING YOUR GRAIN RECEIVING**  
Aric Gordon  
Grain Division Manager  
FCA Co-op  
Jackson, MN



**8. eAGVANTAGE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & A/R**  
Enid Jackson  
Controller  
Lakeland Cooperative  
Ridgeland, WI



**9. AGRONOMY—USING GOOGLE EARTH & IPADS**  
Dwayne Ruthig  
General Manager  
Caledonia Farmer's Elevator  
Caledonia, MI



**10. MOBILE DEVICE MANAGEMENT**  
Nick Bernhardt  
Infrastructure Engineer  
Landmark Services Cooperative  
Cottage Grove, WI



**11. WHY WE USE MESSAGE BOARDS AT OUR GRAIN FACILITIES**  
Terry Bell  
Software Support Specialist  
Trupointe  
Wapakoneta, OH

**LUNCH 12:35-1:35 p.m.**

## Thursday 1:35 - 2:30



### V8 Grain Reports, Pt. 1, i Series using Adobe PDF, Lab

Dawn Nemechek  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic)

- Proof of yield
- Print YTD grain payments and A/R yearly sales
- Market position
- Contract delivery reports



### New AgVantagePC Seed & eAgVantage Seed, Pt. 1

Chuck Bohanon  
Senior Sales & Service Analyst  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Creating Seed products
- AgVantagePC Seed planning
  - Create grower price quotes
  - Volume discounts
  - Market development discounts
  - Treatments
- Contracting Seed Plans



### On Demand Contracting, (Agronomy, Energy, etc.)

Dawn Klingfus  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

We will learn how you can now create and print a contract in counter invoicing at the same time as creating the invoice. This is used for contracting Agronomy, Energy, and/or any non-Grain product.

- Setup for contracting
- Digitizing the contracts
- Creating the invoice and contract
- Printing the contract



### Discover Mobile System Access

Tim Rowe  
Business Architect Application Development & Systems Management for IBM i  
IBM i Development Lab  
Rochester, MN

The world of Mobile is quickly becoming the norm for accessing and working with your systems and data. The IBM i has a number of very interesting mobile options to help you get up to speed in the this fast

growing area. Discover how to access and work directly with your DB2 data from a mobile device. See how you can do reporting and intelligence gathering from your DB2 data as well as access your IBM i with a 5250 interface and manage a number of key areas all running from your mobile device of choice.



### Inventory Reports, Costing, Analysis & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Mark Meyer  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: Basic Knowledge of Inventory (Level: Intermediate)

- Different methods of valuing your inventory
- What processes, procedures and people may affect your system valuations
- Problem Solving – What to look for on valuation reports
- Cost File Maintenance – How to correct costing errors



### Employee Management - Delegating Tasks, Pt. 1

Theresa Willems  
VP Customer Services  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

Delegating meaningful tasks and projects to employees not only spreads out the work load, but also entrusts and empowers employees to become stronger, more well-rounded employees who feel more valuable to your overall mission. In this class, we will discuss the types of tasks to delegate, the pros and sometimes cons of delegating certain tasks and how to pick the right person for the task.

### Accounts Receivable Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Kristi Wendricks and Michelle Sirosky, Customer Services Representatives. Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time.

## Thursday 2:40 - 3:35

### V8 Grain Reports & eAgVantage, Pt. 2 - Lab

Dawn Nemechek, Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: Part 1 recommended (Level: Basic)

- Open and filled contract history
- Settlements by crop & date
- Drill down to load by load detail
- GAP reports, Top 100 Grain Purchases

### New AgVantagePC Seed & eAgVantage Seed, Pt. 2

Chuck Bohanon, Senior Sales & Service Analyst  
Prerequisite: Part 1 (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- AgVantagePC Seed Dispatching
- eAgVantage Seed Inventory
- Electronic Seed Shipments
- Customer Seed Inquiry & Salesman Seed Inquiry

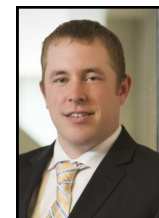


### AgVantage Call Management System/ Customer Relationship Management - CMS/CRM

Co-Instructors:  
**Dennis Boccardi**  
Inventory & I.T.  
Ursa Farmers Cooperative,  
Ursa, IL  
**Jason Schneider**  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic/Intermediate)



- How Ursa Farmers Cooperative uses CRM
- Call Management System features
- Customer Relationship Management features
- Integration live to your AgVantage data
- Future enhancements to the product



### Cyber Crime: Securing Your I.T. Environment

Peter Storm  
Information Security & Advisory Services Group  
CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP  
612-376-4500

- Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)
- Discussion on current cyber security threats
  - Discussion on the impact of cyber security threats
  - Discussion on key measures to prevent and detect cyber security threats

Pete's experience includes Incident Response and Computer Forensics, Penetration Testing, Social Engineering, IT Security Reviews, Risk Assessments, and Internal Audit Services for a variety of industries. Pete graduated from the University of Wisconsin – Eau Claire with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, double majoring in Accounting and Information Systems. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA). He also holds certifications for GIAC Certified Forensic Analyst (GCFA) and Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE) with membership in the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners. Pete is also a member of the High Technology Crime Investigation Association (HTCIA).



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## Inventory Transfers Between Locations

Kristen Ehlen  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: Basic Knowledge of Inventory (Level: Intermediate)

- Inventory Transfers and Transfer Documents
- Creating Inventory Transfers through Counter Inv.
- Accounts Receivable Transfers
- Creation of Inventory blends
- An A/R Blend or an A/R Transfer within an A/R Blend
- Inventory Blends adjustments through Counter Invoicing and in Inventory
- How to work with items with lot numbers

## Employee Management- Delegating Tasks, Pt. 2

Theresa Willems, VP Customer Services  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Advanced)  
We will incorporate our discussion from Part 1 into a sample exercise, starting with a task list and a group of employees. We will weigh and discuss options of delegating tasks to each of the 'employees' and together work to determine the best fit for each of the tasks we wish to delegate.

## Patronage - Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Karen Tidd and Kristi Wendricks, Customer Services Representatives. Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal Q & A.

**BREAK 3:35-3:50 p.m.**

**Thursday 3:50 - 4:45**



## Advanced Query, Lab

Mike Smark  
System Installation & Training Technician  
Prerequisite: Intermediate Query or equivalent experience (Level: Advanced)

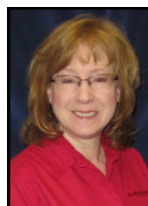
- Defining ideal report totals/breaks, detail/summary output
- Creating special reports / files to use in other queries / the Query Library
- Transferring file data to use in Excel
- Discussion Examples of auditing/analyzing financial data for internal/external use



## AgVantagePC™ Agronomy SQA & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Terri Schwarzrock  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Int.)

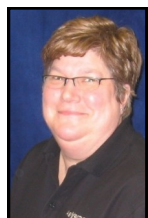
- Prioritize updates to existing programs
- Identify enhancements for new programs
- Discuss topics and vote on requests



## Grain Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Karen Tidd  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: Basic knowledge of grain program (Level: Intermediate)

- What's new in V8?
- Discuss future enhancements
- Vote on enhancements



## Payroll Operations, Employee Time & Attendance (ETA) Features & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Valerie Ahlers  
Customer Services Rep.

Prerequisite: None (Level: Update)

- Learn about the newest updates in payroll
- Electronic filing
- Manage inactive and terminated employees—updating files
- End of year changes
- Security enhancements
- Latest enhancements to ETA and e-mailing of payroll stubs
- CDD — please bring your suggestions.

## Physical Inventory— Mobile Devices

Mark Meyer  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: Basic Knowledge of Inventory (Level: Intermediate)

- Physical Inventory Adjustments
- Using options in Physical Inventory menu
- Mobile Devices to help take inventory
- Reports and queries that could help identify problems

## AgVantage Version 8 \*\*

Theresa Willems  
V.P. Customer Services  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate)

- Version 8 file changes
- Software enhancements in Version 8
- Continued plans for new features in Version 8
- Version 8 upgrades to date
- How to get on the list for a Version 8 upgrade

## Energy Management Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Dawn Klingfus and Mary Jo Meyer, Customer Services Representatives. Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time.

## Dinner & Tonic Sol-fa Concert McNamara Alumni Center Thursday, 5:55-9:30pm



*The New York Times* describes Tonic Sol-fa's sound as "A vocal kaleidoscope...unique to the human voice." Improvisational and passionate music combined with cutting-edge stage presence is the benchmark by which critics and fans agree: nobody

does it like Tonic Sol-fa! Although they are simply four voices and a tambourine, Tonic Sol-fa has spent considerable time on the road carving their niche as the nation's top vocal group. In the midst of touring, this quartet has been named one of the top five "must see" groups in America, has been awarded numerous original song and album awards in pop, gospel and holiday genres, and has appeared on NBC's Today Show as well as outings with Jay Leno, Shawn Colvin, and Garrison Keillor.

We are thrilled to have Tonic Sol-fa perform in this beautiful venue! The McNamara Alumni Center is an award winning venue and stunning piece of architecture on the U of MN Campus. Memorial Hall, inspired by the Minnesota landscape, soars 85-feet tall and is lined with 7 miles of wood, 75,000 square feet of copper and a 150-foot long water feature. Within the center is The Heritage Gallery, which will be open during our cocktail reception. The gallery contains a remarkable collection of photographs, artifacts, artwork, literature, video and audio from the university's history.



- 5:55 Meet in the hotel lobby and walk to McNamara Alumni Center
- 6:00 **Cocktails and appetizers**, with optional self-touring of the Heritage Gallery
- 7:00 **Buffet Dinner:** Sautéed Walleye w/ Smoked Pepper Tarragon Sauce, Braised Beef Short Ribs w/Balsamic Glaze, Roasted Garlic Potatoes, Spinach Salad w/berries, sautéed asparagus, etc...
- 8:00 **Tonic Sol-fa Concert**—Dessert will be served during a 15 min. intermission
- 9:30 Concert ends, Tonic Sol-fa meet and greet.

6:00-6:30 a.m.

Outdoor Fitness walk with Lori Campbell.  
Group may continue until 7:00 if their schedules permit. Meet in hotel lobby at 6.

**Breakfast 7:30—8:15 a.m.**  
**Meridian Ballroom**

**Friday 8:15 - 8:40**

Conference Closing Presentation:



### AgVantage Discovery Channel

Theresa Willems  
VP Customer Services

As we begin to wrap up the 2014 AgVantage National Conference, sit back and relax and watch a few of the most popular shows on AgVantage Television's Discovery Channel—you'll be amazed how we "Grab Life by the Globe".

**Friday 8:50 - 9:45**



### AgVantage Feed & Feed Scale Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Kristi Wendricks  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic)

- Medicated and delivery sheets
- Setting up new rations and creating feed orders
- Pricing
- AgVantagePC Feed Scale
- C.D.D.— come and share your ideas



### AgVantagePC™ Point of Sale, Advanced

Jason Schneider  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic/Intermediate)

- Work orders and pulling orders into AgVantagePC Invoicing
- Creating Contracts
- Credit Cards/Signatures and Verifone Pad setup
- Receipt printers
- Troubleshooting AgVantagePC Invoicing



### emailing Grain Purchase Contracts with Electronic Signatures

Dawn Nemechek  
Customer Services Rep.  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Send Grain Purchase Contract via email and/or the Internet with these three AgVantage products, **Grain, eDocuments and eAgVantage**.
- In addition, your customer has the ability to sign the contract from eAgVantage.
- Grain buyers have the ability to approve and electronically sign the contract prior to emailing.
- Grain staff may view unsigned contracts by company or buyer in AgVantage Grain.
- Your customers may view and print the contract using the Adobe PDF feature in eAgVantage.
- View how the electronic signature updates the purchase contract with the date and time signed plus the I.P. address of the electronic signature.



### "Green" Options for a More Paperless World

Lisa Sick  
V.P. Project Management  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- PDF/P commands. Viewing documents
- Storing documents electronically
- Electronic signatures
- Sending electronic documents
- Electronic inventory
- Backup of shared documents
- Other "green" ideas



### Tips for Installing PCs, PTFs, and Passwords

Tim Machutt, Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic/Intermediate)

- Hardware Issues
- PTF Management
- System Maintenance suggestions
- Instructions on installing PC products
- Q & A



### Setting Up & Maintaining Legacy & eAgVantage Financials\*\*

Kristin Ehlen  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate)

- File and Member Data
- Locating Postings assigned to Financial Statements
- Copying Existing Financial Statements
- Changing Data within your Financial Statements



### Input Financing Roundtable

Michelle Sirosky  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: Knowledge of A/R term codes, finance charges, and input financing at your company  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Bring your thoughts and ideas for the best way to handle this special financing/credit situation.
- Looking to the future, what are your business needs regarding input financing?

**Friday 9:55 - 10:50**

### IBM DB2 Web Query for i, Pt. 1, Lab

Kristi Wendricks  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

IBM has a web report writer that offers several easy ways to pull your data for reports and analysis. Experience "hands on" point & click and drag and drop of data to create web reports, spreadsheets, graphs and emails.

### Building Your Brand, Websites, CRM, Social Networking

Jason Schneider  
PC Support Specialist/ Web Designer  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Basic/Intermediate)

Business ties to Social Networking and web development are a growing marketing segment as the web has become a part of our daily lives. Many of our customers are curious about what others are doing and what has worked well in their businesses. Come ready to share your thoughts with the group.



## AgVantagePC Grain Scale Advanced & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Tim Machutt, Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate/Advanced)

- Grain Scale settings what do they do?
- Setting up and managing data for grain scale (haulers, trucks, bins, etc...)
- Auto processing scales and transfers
- New features in Grain Scale
- CDD What enhancements would you prefer?



## Options for Replacing Cardrol or Profit Point

Dawn Klingfus, Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Basic/Intermediate)

- Passport
- Pinnacle
- FHO
- CFN
- PetroVend



## Everyday Tips To Improve Efficiency

Co-Instructors:  
Michelle Sirosky & Valerie Ahlers  
Customer Services Representatives  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate)

- Things you can do to troubleshoot problems and procedures across a variety of package areas.
- How to use reports for balancing and things you can do to make your job easier.
- Learn commands to help unlock a data area or find out who is creating the problem We will cover many of the packages.



## Invoice Maintenance & Balancing Batches

Rick Prinsen  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None  
(Level: Intermediate)

- Invoice batch sources: Counter Invoicing, Crossover, Store POS & AgVantagePC Invoicing
- Crossover batches and correcting errors
- Balancing edits, deleting batches, and aging reports

- Sales tax exemption
- Rolling prepaid money
- Removing Bookings

## AgVantagePC Seed Program Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Chuck Bohanon, Senior Sales & Analyst Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time.

**BREAK 10:50-11:05 a.m.**

**Friday 11:05 - 12:00**

## IBM DB2 Web Query for i, Pt. 2, Lab

Kristi Wendricks  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: IBM DB2 Web Query for i, Pt. 1  
Level: Intermediate/Advanced

- Continuation of Part 1

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V.P. Customer Services  
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## Accounts Payable Features & Customer Driven Development (CDD)

Valerie Ahlers  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: None (Level: Intermediate/Adv.)

- New features including ACH for Payables
- Hints on balancing, archiving data
- Voiding checks
- CDD—Please share your suggestions & priorities with us.

## Continuing Professional Education (C.P.E.)

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## Optional Features for Security & Efficiency

Kristin Ehlen  
Customer Services Representative  
Prerequisite: Authorized users only (Level: Intern.)

- Activate optional features
- Sales area/user restrictions
- Constant file choices
- Statement printing options
- Customer variations

## Grain Staff Question & Answer (SQA)

Karen Tidd, Customer Services Representative and Lori Bilderback, Senior Software Engineer. Please go to the Inventor 2 meeting room for this informal question & answer time.

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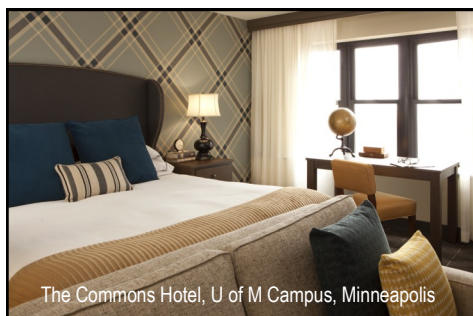


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- If you have questions regarding any sessions, please contact Lori Campbell by phone 877-282-6353, ext. 117, or e-mail [loric@agvantage.com](mailto:loric@agvantage.com)
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The Commons Hotel, U of M Campus, Minneapolis

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Minneapolis, MN 55414

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Our AgVantage National Conference group rate is \$136 (regularly \$236) for one or two guests, and is available through May 16, 2014 or until our room block sells out. Use the phone number above and ask for the 29th Annual AgVantage National Conference group rate, or follow the link on the home page of our website to make your reservations. If you would like to extend your stay, the hotel will honor our group rate three days pre and post conference dates, with availability. Guest room internet service is complimentary.

**Parking:** Washington Ave. Ramp is \$15 per day, and includes "in-and-out" privileges to overnight guests. Valet parking is \$20 per day. The ramp is attached by skyway to The Commons Hotel.

**Hotel Restaurants:** The Beacon Public House features superior regional cooking. There is also an Applebee's and Starbucks on-site. The hotel offers a complimentary shuttle service for hotel guests within a 5-mile radius (does not include airport).

## Hiawatha Light Rail Line Airport to The Commons Hotel

Taking the light rail from the airport to our hotel is a new great option. Cost is \$1.75-\$2.25 depending upon time of day. Take the blue line from the airport and connect with the new green line downtown at the Downtown East Station. After traveling over the Mississippi River, you will get off the light rail at the East Bank Station. It is a ½ block walk to our hotel. This trip is estimated to take about 35 minutes. For more information, please go to [www.metrotransit.org](http://www.metrotransit.org).

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**Super Shuttle:** If you prefer, SuperShuttle is another option for airport transportation. They may be accessed on the ground transportation level at the airport. A one way adult fare is about \$19. Go to [www.supershuttle.com](http://www.supershuttle.com) to make reservations in advance.

## Attire

Business casual or casual attire are both fine. Hotel meeting room temperatures vary, so we suggest dressing in layers. June temperatures in Minneapolis often range between 53-82 degrees. The Wednesday evening party has an optional Explorer/Inventor/Discoverer theme. (Christopher Columbus, Albert Einstein, Amelia Earhart, Steve Jobs, Madame Curie, etc...) The Thursday evening event, dinner/show, is business casual.

## U of M—Recreation & Wellness Center

Ask at the hotel front desk for a free pass if you would like to use the U of M Recreation Center located one block behind the hotel. There is a small fee for the climbing wall, but everything else is free for hotel guests. For more info: [www.recwell.umn.edu/facilities/minneapolis.php](http://www.recwell.umn.edu/facilities/minneapolis.php)

## Area Restaurants & Shopping

With the opening of the "green line" light rail, getting to downtown St. Paul for shopping, restaurants, or sightseeing is very convenient.

Or, take the light rail to The Mall of America, which has 50 restaurants, more than 520 specialty stores, Nickelodeon Universe and Sea Life Minnesota Aquarium.

The light rail to Downtown Minneapolis takes only a few minutes. Downtown has additional options for shopping, food, and attractions. *Clothing and shoes are tax-free in Minnesota.* There is a Farmer's Market on Nicollet Mall, 6am-6pm on Thursdays. More information:

[www.bloomingtonmn.org](http://www.bloomingtonmn.org)  
[www.minneapolis.org](http://www.minneapolis.org)  
[www.stpaul.gov](http://www.stpaul.gov)  
[www.downtownmpls.com](http://www.downtownmpls.com)  
[www.mallofamerica.com](http://www.mallofamerica.com)  
[www.mplsfarmersmarket.com](http://www.mplsfarmersmarket.com)

**On the U of MN Campus:**  
<http://wam.umn.edu/>

Art Info: [wam.umn.edu/event/publicart25](http://wam.umn.edu/event/publicart25)  
<http://www.bellmuseummn.edu/>

**U of MN—Student Life:**  
[www.stadiumvillage.com](http://www.stadiumvillage.com)  
[www.dinkytownminneapolis.com](http://www.dinkytownminneapolis.com)

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Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Please include your e-mail address if you would like it included on the conference attendee list.

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Will this AgVantage Conference be your first? YES NO

Including 2014, how many AgVantage National Conferences will you have attended? \_\_\_\_\_

Please place a check mark after the sessions you plan to attend. Sessions may be 1-2 hrs. long.  
Please be sure to register for sessions that do not conflict.

CDD = Customer Driven Development  
\*\* Session offered twice during the conference.

## Wednesday, June 18

TIME	SESSION DESCRIPTION	ATTENDING
12:30-2:30	Intermediate Query, Pts. 1 & 2, Lab	_____
12:30-1:25	AgVantagePC Energy	_____
12:30-1:25	eAgVantage Grain Sales	_____
12:30-1:25	Managing Mergers	_____
12:30-1:25	Intro to Inventory	_____
12:30-1:25	Come Learn To Harness The Power of Mobile	_____
12:30-1:25	Farm Agronomy Planning	_____
1:35-2:30	Working with Energy Mgmt. & CDD	_____
1:35-2:30	eAgVantage A/R, EOY, Pat., PayPal, Sales Rep	_____
1:35-2:30	Using Technology for Grain Dept. Efficiencies	_____
1:35-2:30	Intro to AgVantage Accounts Receivable	_____
1:35-2:30	Patronage & CDD	_____
1:35-2:30	Inventory SQA	_____
2:50-4:50	The Power of GAP Reporting, Pts. 1 & 2, Lab	_____
2:50-3:45	AgVPC Office Fuel Dispatching & Mapping	_____
2:50-3:45	Going Green-Emailing Inv., Statemts, Grain, P/R	_____
2:50-3:45	IT Security in a Changing World	_____
2:50-3:45	Intro to Grain Operations	_____
2:50-3:45	Interpreting USDA Crop Reports	_____
2:50-3:45	eAgVantage SQA	_____
3:55-4:50	AgVPC Energy & Dispatching CDD	_____
3:55-4:50	DTN Interf.- Int. Hedging, Upd. Contract, ,Futur.	_____
3:55-4:50	Effective Leadership Through Storytelling	_____
3:55-4:50	Setting Up/Maintain Legacy & eAgV. Financials**	_____
3:55-4:50	New Sorting & Credit Memo Opt. for A/R Statem.	_____
3:55-4:50	Maintaining Your Power System	_____

## Thursday, June 19

TIME	SESSION DESCRIPTION	ATTENDING
8:15-10:15	Intermediate Excel, Pts. 1 & 2, Lab	_____
8:15-9:10	Intro to AgVantagePC Agronomy	_____
8:15-9:10	Accounts Receivable CDD	_____
8:15-10:15	AgV Future—Discover Next Gener., Pts. 1 & 2	_____
8:15-9:10	Inventory—Success is in the Details	_____
8:15-9:10	AgVPC Grain Scale w/Applied Contracts	_____
8:15-9:10	Accounts Payable SQA	_____
9:20-10:15	AgVantagePC Agronomy Adv.—Current Users	_____
9:20-10:15	Precision Marketing for Innovative Ag Business	_____
9:20-10:15	Invent. Item Pricing/Global Price Updates	_____
9:20-10:15	Balancing Grain, Daily Position & Long/Short	_____
9:20-10:15	Payroll SQA	_____
10:30-11:25	AgVantagePC Point of Sale, Lab	_____
10:30-11:25	eAgVantage Commodity DPR & CDD **	_____
10:30-11:25	Credit & Collections at Skagit Farmers Coop	_____
10:30-11:25	Discovering the New IBM i	_____
10:30-11:25	Inventory Purchase Orders, Inventory Rec.	_____
10:30-11:25	How Grain Affects Your General Ledger	_____
10:30-11:25	Container Tracking SQA and CDD	_____
1:35-3:35	V8 Grain Reports - Adobe PDF, Pts. 1 & 2, Lab	_____
1:35-3:35	NEW AgVPC Seed & eAgV Seed, Pts. 1 & 2	_____
1:35-2:30	On Demand Contracting (Agron/Energy, etc.)	_____
1:35-2:30	Discover Mobile System Access	_____
1:35-2:30	Inventory Reports, Costing, Analysis & CDD	_____
1:35-3:35	Employee Mgmt., Delegating Tasks, Pts. 1 & 2	_____
1:35-2:30	Accounts Receivable SQA	_____
2:40-3:35	Call Mgmt System/Cust.Relat. Mgmt & CDD	_____
2:40-3:35	Cyber Crime: Securing Your IT Environment	_____
2:40-3:35	Inventory Transfers Between Locations	_____
2:40-3:35	Patronage SQA	_____
3:50-4:45	Advanced Query, Lab	_____
3:50-4:45	AgVantagePC Agronomy SQA & CDD	_____
3:50-4:45	Grain CDD	_____
3:50-4:45	Payroll, ETA & CDD	_____
3:50-4:45	Physical Inventory, Mobile Devices	_____
3:50-4:45	AgVantage Version 8 **	_____
3:50-4:45	Energy SQA	_____

## Friday, June 20

TIME	SESSION DESCRIPTION	ATTENDING
8:50-9:45	AgVantage Feed & Feed Scale CDD, Lab	_____
8:50-9:45	AgVantagePC Point of Sale, Advanced	_____
8:50-9:45	emailing Grain Purch. Cont. w/Electronic Sign.	_____
8:50-9:45	Green Options for a more Paperless World	_____
8:50-9:45	Tips for Installing PCs, PTF's Passwords	_____
8:50-9:45	Setting Up/Maintain Legacy & eAgV. Financials**	_____
8:50-9:45	Input Financing Roundtable	_____
9:55-12:00	IBM DB2 Web Query for i, Pts. 1 & 2, Lab	_____
9:55-10:50	Building Your Brand—Web, CRM, Social Netw.	_____
9:55-10:50	AgVantagePC Grain Scale Advanced & CDD	_____
9:55-10:50	Options for Replacing Cardtrol or Profit Point	_____
9:55-10:50	Everyday Tips To Improve Efficiency	_____
9:55-10:50	Invoice Maintenance, Balancing Batches	_____
9:55-10:50	AgVantagePC Seed Program SQA	_____
11:05-12:00	AgVantage Version 8 **	_____
11:05-12:00	eAgVantage Commodity DPR & CDD **	_____
11:05-12:00	Accounts Payable Features & CDD	_____
11:05-12:00	Optional Features for Security & Efficiency	_____
11:05-12:00	Grain, SQA	_____

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<b>Thursday evening Dinner and Tonic Sol-fa Show</b> (details pg. 11)	<b>\$ 49</b>	x _____ = \$ _____
Includes dinner, show, and two drink tickets (This event is subsidized by conference sponsors) (spouse/guest welcome) (5th person free program does not apply to this evening event.)		
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**Thank you!**

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# DISCOVERIES & INNOVATION FROM AGVANTAGE SOFTWARE

1976

Don Udenberg, a progressive entrepreneur and programmer working for Byron Elevator, Byron, MN, started Udenberg & Associates, Inc.

1979

Chuck Bohanon and Paul Hawes were hired to join Don as his first employees

1981

IBM introduced the personal computer. It had a floppy disk or cassette system as hard drives were not available until 1983.

1984

System/36 announced. It supported up to 22 local and 64 remote work station devices!

1985

First Udenberg Users Group met in Rochester, Minnesota. Customers love the value of networking and education. Microsoft Windows 1.0 released

1986

Counter Invoicing cash drawers became available for PCs. Kodak introduced the first digital camera for professional photographers.

1988

IBM AS/400 announced

1987

Work on the Tunnel joining UK and France begins  
Udenberg Grain Version 5.0 released

1989

Record breaking attendance for Udenberg National Conference Berlin wall starts tumbling down leading to the reunification of Germany

1996

Merger with BeRich—Michelle Blomberg became an employee of Udenberg & Associates, Inc. AgVantage Version 1.0 introduced, solving the Y2K problem for Agri Business.

2002

Udenberg & Associates company name changed to AgVantage Software, Inc.

2005

Facebook opened up for High School students AgVantagePC Energy introduced

2001

Customer Driven Development (CDD) process added to the Udenberg National User Conference. Apple released its first iPod.

2000

NEW Millennium! Hosted program: customers could now be free of the need to own their own server. They could share resources with other companies. eAgVantage is introduced.

2012

IBM's Sequoia supercomputer is the fastest supercomputer in the world. AgVantagePC Seed is born.

2014

DISCOVERY at the 29th AgVantage National Conference & User Exchange

2008

Global Seed Vault was built in a mountain fortress above the Arctic Circle. The vault can hold 4.5 million seed samples. AgVantagePC Grain Scale introduced

2007

Apple iPhone wins Invention of the Year award. AgVantagePC Touch Screen invoicing is now available

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