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The Iowa State University Animal Industry Report 2006 is dedicated to

Professor Emeritus Palmer Holden

We are proud to honor this retired animal science faculty member from Iowa State University. For more than 30 years, everyone knew that Palmer was the person to go to for any and all questions related to swine nutrition. In addition to his work as extension swine specialist, he authored and/or supported a variety of nutrition and production publications (including Life Cycle Swine Nutrition), developed pig diet software based on LCSN and NRC models, coordinated print and electronic publication of the annual Swine Research Report (the Animal Industry Report’s predecessor) from 1974 to 2002, and initiated Iowa State’s Ask-A-Specialist booth display at the Iowa Pork Congress. He also coordinated undergraduate courses and taught numerous educational sessions for producers and colleagues from local to international levels.

But don’t let the word “retired” fool you.

Although Palmer officially left his ISU faculty position Oct. 25, 2002, he continues to stay involved in the swine industry. He recently completed a revision of M. E. Ensminger’s Swine Science textbook, and enjoys working with the Iowa Pork Producer Association and former ISU colleagues on the annual Iowa Master Pork Producer and Pork All-American award programs.

Our heartfelt congratulations to Palmer on a great career, and our thanks to him for choosing to spend that career here with us at Iowa State University.

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