

Interra's Jeremy Bender Selected for Leadership Program

June 11, 2024, Goshen, Indiana – Jeremy Bender is one of twenty-eight of Indiana's top farmers and agribusiness men and women that have been selected to participate in the 21st class of the Indiana Agricultural Leadership Program (ALP), administered by AgrIInstitute. During the two-year program, ALP class members will attend ten seminars held throughout Indiana, study for a week in Washington, D.C. meeting with national leaders, and spend ten to fourteen days studying internationally.

Bender is the Agribusiness Lending Manager Vice President for Interra Credit Union, bringing over a decade of dedicated service to Interra. Bender's deep-rooted commitment to agricultural lending has been instrumental in supporting the farming community, fostering growth, and cultivating lasting relationships. He is a graduate of Purdue University and Indiana Wesleyan University. Bender is an active participant and member of several organizations some of which include: Wawasee Community Bible Church Trustee Board and Kosciusko County 4H.



Jeremy Bender, Agribusiness Lending Manager Vice President

ALP Class 21 participants will begin their study July 11-13, 2024. This session will provide a program orientation for class members including discussions of leadership, leadership qualities and applications, goal setting and understanding personality styles.

Through study and exposure to critical public issues, participants are challenged to meet the evolving political, economic, social, and cultural needs of our society.

Over the next two years, the class members will study a wide range of leadership subjects and gain a broad understanding of the diversity of the agricultural industry in Indiana. The two years of study will provide the class members with enhanced skills and expertise to serve in leadership roles at local, state, and national levels on behalf of the agricultural industry.

Since it began in 1984, over 550 participants have graduated from the Indiana Agricultural Leadership Program and are actively strengthening and transforming their local communities and the agricultural community as a whole.

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About AgrIInstitute

AgrIInstitute prepares leaders to advance agriculture by fostering leadership development and facilitating communication among a robust network of agricultural and rural leaders in Indiana on agriculture, food and natural resources issues. AgrIInstitute provides a fertile environment for cultivating leaders to serve agriculture and rural communities. For more information about the Indiana Agricultural Leadership Program contact AgrIInstitute, 317-745-0947, phone or email beth@agriinstitute.org, www.agriinstitute.org.

About Interra Credit Union

Interra Credit Union, headquartered in Goshen, Indiana, was charted in 1932 and has assets of \$1.8 billion. The credit union's field of membership spans 24 counties in northern Indiana, with more than 325 full and part-time employees serving over 90,000 members. Interra currently operates 16 offices in Elkhart, LaGrange, Kosciusko, Marshall, and Noble counties in Indiana and via robust electronic services at interracu.com.