

ASA-IM JAPAN HOSTS PIG TEAM TO THE U.S.

Consultant Mike Katsufumi Maekawa escorted Japanese Pig Team to the U.S. during June 5-June 12, 2011. The 5-member team visited University of Minnesota, swine farms and soybean producers. The team attended the World Pork Expo, where they learned recent nutrition, equipment and management developments. They learned many new technical concepts from the University and farm visits as well as Pork Expo exhibitions. A special thanks to Minnesota Soybean Association and Iowa Soybean Association's cooperation and kind supports, the team members enjoyed the visits in spite of their limited English, and all of them appreciated the fruitful trip to the U.S. to experience the Pork Developments taking place.



University of Minnesota Swine Research Center at Waseca. This is group housing for gestation sows with automatic feeder.



Iowa Soybean Association invited Chinese and Japanese delegations for delicious French dinner, and the teams could experience for the first time U.S. hail storm then.