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Milk Quality Training Workshops

Cornell Cooperative Extension, Cornell PRO-DAIRY and Quality Milk Production Services are partnering to offer a three-day regional milk quality training program. This program will be offered statewide at five sites from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm on Jan 8, Feb 5, and March 5, 2015. Cost is $100 per person, which includes the 3-day program and lunch. It also includes one bedding and bulk tank sample per farm. Register with the regional site.

Improve Your Milk Check Through Quality Milk

January 8 - What is Mastitis Costing your Farm?

- Analysis of Potential Lost Income.
- Mammary Physiology & the Basics of

2015 Operations Managers Conference

The 2015 Operations Managers Conference, “Effective Management through Teamwork and Leadership” will be held January 20 - 21, 2015 at the Holiday Inn, Liverpool/Syracuse.

Organized by the PRO-DAIRY Program at Cornell University and the Northeast Dairy Producers Association (NEDPA), this conference provides an opportunity for people responsible for day to day activities on dairy farms to increase their management and operations skills while interacting with other managers. Sessions on January 20 will be followed by a tour and interaction with a local dairy operations team on January 21.

Who Will Manage Your Farm Tomorrow?

Doubletree Hotel
East Syracuse, NY
January 13-14, 2015
Mastitis Culturing.
- Knowing Your Mastitis Organisms.
- How to Take a Proper Milk or Bedding Sample for Culture.

Presenters:
- Dr. Kimberley Morrill, PhD, CCE Regional Dairy Specialist
- Dr. Theresa Taraska, DVM, CCE Lewis County Dairy Specialist
- Dr. Rick Watters, PhD, Quality Milk Production Services

February 5 - Importance of Cow Comfort, Environment & Equipment Maintenance
- Overview on milk samples and bedding samples submitted from week one.
- Scoring Systems to Implement On-farm to Monitor Cleanliness and Teat Health.
- Impact of Equipment Maintenance on Milk Quality.

Presenters:
- Curt Gooch, Agricultural Engineer, Cornell PRO-DAIRY
- Dr. Jerry Bertoldo, DVM-NWNY Dairy Specialist
- Dr. Paul Virkler, DVM, Quality Milk Production Services
- Dr. Rick Watters, PhD, Quality Milk Production Services

March 5 - Importance of Record Keeping for Mastitis Control
- Economic Impact of Management Changes to Improve Milk Quality.
- Residues & Treatment Records.
- Dairy Comp - The Value of Recordkeeping.
- Review of NYSCHAP Quality Milk Module.

This conference provides farm families and their advisors critical information to help the next generation find success on the farm and identifies effective management transfer strategies to implement.

Danny Klinefelter, PhD is the conference key note speaker. In 2013, Top Producer magazine named him one of 30 innovators who have had the biggest impact on agriculture during the past three decades.

Registration, including all meals and materials, is $85. For more information, contact 1-800-547-3276 or email dlw56@cornell.edu.

Calf Management Training Program
10 am to 2 pm, Feb 12 and Feb 26, 2015
Registration fee is $30.00

Cornell Cooperative Extension and the University of Vermont will be offering programs this winter focusing on calf management and care. Programs will be offered at several CCE locations and will be available via video conferencing.

Program Topics:
- Young Calf Care-the 5 C’s of Colostrum
- Calf Nutrition After Colostrum
- Calf Disease Control
- Impact of Environmental Factors-
Presenters:

- Dr. Michael Capel, DVM, Perry Vet Clinic
- Dr. Dwight Bruno, DVM, NYS Dept. of Ag and Markets

The program will be offered at regional sites through live presentations and video conferencing. Participating sites include:

**ENY**
CCE Saratoga County
50 West High St.
Ballston Spa, NY 12020

and

CCE Chenango County
99 N Broad St, Norwich, NY 13815
To register for either site email Herkimer County CCE at herkimer@cornell.edu or call (315) 866-7920. Or register and pay online at http://cnydfc.cce.cornell.edu/

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420 East Main Street
Batavia, NY 14020

and

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http://www.vtc.edu/
Registration through UVM Dept. of An.Sci. (EventBrite), http://asci.uvm.edu
or Marcia Purvis, marcia.purvis@uvm.edu

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- Visit the [PRO-DAIRY website](http://www.pro-dairy.com) to sign up

**Housing Essentials**
- Group Housing and Feeding Management
- Monitoring Calf Performance - Dairy Producer Panel

**Program Locations and Registration Contact Info:**

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**PRO-DAIRY and Youth Programming Highlights:**

- This fall 64 farmers attended an in-depth
For e-Leader and for more program information.

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Training on effectively managing preweaned calves. The program via Web-ex focused on optimizing the health and growth of calves to increase the overall profitability of the farm. Evaluations were overwhelmingly positive.

- One of the biggest Cornell Dairy Executives Program classes, with 33 participants began on Dec. 7.
- Over 400 people attended four sites of the CAFO roadshow, which included a focus on manure spreading practices.
- New York took home their 11th national title placing 1st among 14 state teams in the National 4-H Quiz Bowl on November 7-8, 2014 at the 35th annual North American Invitational 4-H Dairy Quiz Bowl Contest held at the North American International Livestock Exposition (Louisville, KY). PRO-DAIRY’s Debbie Grusenmeyer was a team coach.
- The NY State 4-H Dairy Management Team placed first at the 28th annual Junior Dairy Management Contest in Harrisburg. Allison Herrick, Wyoming County, was the third high individual and Casey Porter, Jefferson County, was the 4th high individual. Other
team members included Kieran Mccarthy, Orange County, and Katie Sondericker, Wyoming County.