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5.17.2022 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program

A partnership between [Cornell University](#) and the Cornell Cooperative Extension Associations in these five counties: [Allegany](#), [Cattaraugus](#), [Chautauqua](#), [Erie](#), and [Steuben](#).

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CCE Seeks Participants for Pastured Broiler Cost of Production Study

The SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program is currently seeking participant farmers in Allegany, Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Erie, and Steuben counties to take part in a study that will evaluate the true costs of production in pastured broiler enterprises. Farmers will be compensated for their time on the project. If you're interested in learning more, reach out to Amy Barkley at amb544@cornell.edu or 716-640-0844.

Soil Health Opportunity for Dairy Farms - Erie County

In partnership with Cornell University, Soil Health Institute is looking for dairy farmers in Erie County willing to participate in research on soil health. Participating farms must join on a 5-10 min interview (phone) and would have a soil sample taken from their farm between May 23 to June 10, 2022. A FREE assessment of soil health and soil carbon stocks would be sent to participants 6 months after sampling. [Learn more here](#)

Dig into your herd's lameness issues - By Katelyn Allen, Hoard's Dairyman Intel

Lameness is an extensive, complicated disorder that can drain much money on dairy farms. In this article by Hoard's Dairyman, Jan Shearer was featured when talking about the main causes of lameness and how to avoid them in the Cornell University virtual workshop on understanding and mitigating lameness. Click [here](#) to read the complete article.

NYS & NJ Veterans – Learn more about Soil Sampling for Success on Monday Evening!

Are you planting things in soil? (We're guessing the answer is probably yes). Then you need a soil sample! NYS and NJ Veterans are invited to join Cornell Cooperative Extension Specialists, Amy Barkley and Katelyn Walley-Stoll, to learn more about soil sampling in a FREE virtual seminar. This will take place on Monday, May 23rd, 2022 from 6pm – 7:30pm via Zoom.

Finger Lakes Sheep Producers Co-op Annual Wool Pool on May 18th, 20th, and 21st

The Finger Lakes Wool pool will be held in Seneca Falls this year. Pricing is \$0.32 for clean wool and \$0.07 for off-sorts, with a \$10 membership fee per farm. Compensation options are available.

SAVE THE DATE: Dairy Processing Webinar Series! 5/25, 6/1, & 6/8

Are you wondering if processing and selling your dairy products directly to the consumer might be a

good fit for your operation? Join us for a three-part webinar series. We'll go over the marketing, regulations, and logistics of on-farm dairy processing—register [here](#) or contact Camila Lage at cd546@cornell.edu or 607-422-6788.

Young Farmers Coalition of WNY to host Farmer's Potluck on May 28th at 5:30pm at Groundwork Market Garden in Buffalo

All farmers are invited to this networking event where we will share ideas, pool resources, tour a local farm, and enjoy good company. For more information, see the event invitation, [here](#).

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