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03.06.2025 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program

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There's Still Time to Register: Farmers Market and Meat Marketing Meeting on 3/11/25 in Jamestown 6pm – 8:30pm

Join Matt LeRoux from Cornell's Dyson School to learn more about creating and pricing consumer-friendly meat products with MeatSuite during the first part of the evening. For the second part, Matt will use data collected from the 2024 market season to share how customer experience and pricing can improve farmers market sales performance. [Register by 3/7](#).

Avian Disease and Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza - the latest updates and what it means for poultry health – webinar on 3/18/25 6:30pm – 8pm

This free webinar brings together Dr. Jarra Jagne of Cornell's College of Veterinary Medicine and Dr. Chad Wall of NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets for an evening of learning about avian disease, including Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI). [Register here](#)

Please Check H.E.R. Out: Ensuring a Compassionate End of Life

Unfortunately, euthanasia is a decision every farmer has to make. This article stresses the need for clear euthanasia protocols, proper staff training, and emotional support for farmers making these difficult decisions.

Winter and Wet Weather Manure Spreading Reminders

The weather this week will provide us with additional snowfall, warming temps that are conducive to major thawing events, rain, and more freezing conditions. Rainfall on snowpack will saturate soils and creates a high risk for significant runoff. Care should be taken when deciding if, when and where to make manure applications. [Click here](#) to refresh yourself on best management practices for winter and wet weather manure spreading.

So You Want To Become A Certified Pesticide Applicator?

Have you ever thought about becoming a Certified Pesticide Applicator but felt intimidated by the process? This article walks through the steps to become a Certified Private Pesticide Applicator, including the necessary training, requirements, and testing as required by the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC).

How to Prepare Your Employees for an ICE/CPB Encounter by Liz Higgins

There has been an increased concern from ag employers and immigrant employees about federal immigration policy and enforcement. This article contains resources and information for employers to help prepare employees for any incidences.

Upcoming Events			
<i>For more information and to register, click on the title hyperlinks.</i>			
Title	Date(s)	Location	Time
<u>Using MeatSuite's Meat Price Calculator & New Local Meat Price Reports</u>	March 6	Virtual (Zoom)	7pm-8pm
<u>2025 Winter NYCO Meetings</u>	March 11	Geneva	10am-2pm
<u>Farmers Market & Meat Marketing Workshop*</u>	March 11	Jamestown	6pm-8:30pm
<u>Raising Laying Hens for Eggs: Is it all it is cracked up to be?*</u>	March 11	Virtual (Zoom)	6:30pm-7:30pm
<u>NY Sheep Shearing School 2025</u>	March 15	East Meredith	9am-4:30pm
<u>Avian Disease & Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza – latest updates & what it means for poultry health*</u>	March 18	Virtual (Zoom)	6:30pm-8pm
<u>Shop Talk: Integrated Weed Management*</u>	March 19	Andover	1pm-2:30pm
<u>Class A CDL Training</u>	March 22	Lindley	8am-5pm

<u>Transition Heifer Calf Program*</u>	March 24	Mansfield	10am-3pm
<u>Shop Talk: Drone Discussion*</u>	March 27	Hamburg	1pm-2:30pm
<i>*Denotes that the event is hosted by, or includes speakers from, SWNYDLFC.</i>			

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