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8.27.2026 Updates from Cornell Cooperative Extension's SWNY Dairy, Livestock & 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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Poultry Processing Workshop on September 17th from 5:30pm – 8:30pm

Looking to learn hands-on poultry processing from setting up equipment to shrink-wrapping the finished bird? This opportunity is for you! The class will teach skills that build confidence, reduce costs, and strengthen your farm's independence. **Please note the LOCATION CHANGE to the Ontario County Fairgrounds, Canandaigua, NY.**

Preliminary Corn Silage Pricing Estimates 2026

This year's preliminary corn silage pricing estimates have been released, representing the expected value of corn silage post-harvest, in the bunk, wet, for the fall months of mid-September through mid-December 2026. Using the estimating equation, and the above prices for alfalfa hay, and corn grain as expected prices, estimated corn silage price is about \$61 per ton.

Round 2 of Dairy Modernization Grant Now Open

The Dairy Modernization Grant Program helps NY dairy farmers and cooperatives expand on-farm milk storage capacity and support projects that improve transportation and storage of milk. Grant awards range from 50k - 250k. Deadline is October 28, 2026. Looking for help strengthening your application? Reach out to our dairy specialist Katie Callero at 607-422-6788.

Tax 101: An Introduction to Income Taxes for Farmers – Free Webinar

Join NY Farm Net on September 17th from 1pm – 2pm for a free webinar about income tax basics for farmers. Attendees will learn what documents you need, options for recordkeeping systems, how identify common tax forms and schedules, and more!

Upcoming Events			
For more information and to register, click on the title hyperlinks.			
Title	Date(s)	Location	Time
<u>Livestock Production Field Day*</u>	August 29	Chaffee & Aurora (Erie)	3pm-8:30pm

<u>Poultry Processing Workshop*</u>	September 17	Canandaigua (Ontario)	5:30pm-8:30pm
<u>Tax 101: An Introduction to Income Taxes for Farmers</u>	September 17	Zoom	1pm-2pm
<u>Large Animal Awareness Training for First Responders</u>	September 19	Dunkirk (Chautauqua)	8am-1pm
<u>Organic Dairy Pasture Walk</u>	September 22	Freedom (Cattaraugus)	9:30am-1pm
<u>Allegany County Farmer Neighbor Dinner</u>	September 30	Alfred Station (Allegany)	5:30pm-8pm
<u>Dairy Feeder School*</u>	October 29	Freedom (Cattaraugus)	9:30am-3:30pm
<u>Ginseng Workshop</u>	October 29	Franklinville (Allegany)	12pm
<u>New York State Agritourism Conference</u>	November 4 & 5	Geneva (Ontario)	All Day
*Denotes that the event is hosted by, or includes speakers from, SWNYDLFC.			

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