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4.8.2021 Updates from the SWNY Dairy, Livestock, and Field Crops Program

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[We're Hiring! – Accepting Application until April 15th](#)

PPP Loan Application Deadline Extended

Late last month new legislation that extended [the Payroll Protection Plan \(PPP\) loan application](#) deadline to May 31st. New guidelines make it possible for [Sole Proprietorship farms to apply based on gross sales](#), even if you don't have payroll! If you're interested in applying, connect with [your preferred bank or lender](#), or contact [Katelyn Walley-Stoll](#), Farm Business Management Specialist, for more information.

USDA's Farm Service Agency Accepting New and Modified CFAP 2 Applications

FSA recently announced that \$2.5 million in additional [Coronavirus Food Assistance Program \(CFAP\)](#) funds will be used to better promote and encourage applications from socially disadvantaged communities. The CFAP Round 2 [application](#) will be open for new applications beginning April 5th. There will also be a \$1.1 billion in CFAP 1 payments distributed after [adjusting cattle rates](#) and for flat rate crops.

The pigweed roadshow is on!

Interested in learning about problematic weeds in the state? We are looking for locations willing to host us as we will be joined by Dr. Lynn Sosnoskie and her weeds, to learn about different identification characteristics among the pigweed species here in NY. Can you correctly identify all 6 weeds in this photo?

Cornell Research Participant Opportunity: By-the-Cut Meat Pricing and Sales Research Project

Cornell University is researching direct-to-consumer sales of locally raised meat products sold by-the-cut to help meat producers improve profitability. The project team is looking for farm participants. Participation includes collecting sales data with Point-of-Sale (POS) online sales software, like Square, and using Cornell's new online Meat Price Calculator.

Considerations for Timely Euthanasia in Calf Care

While farms work hard to promote calf health, illness and injury are bound to happen from time to time. When these situations arise, it's important to be prepared and have protocols in place to ensure timely euthanasia occurs when necessary. For more information, reach out to [Alycia Drwencke](#).

Dry Manure Spreader Calibration

Manure is an excellent nutrient resources for crops and pastures, and the proper calibration of a spreader will help to ensure an even distribution of nutrients consistent with cropping recommendations and your nutrient management plan. This article explores two methods of calibrating a dry manure spreader.

The Dangers of Hydrogen Sulfide Gas on Farms

Tom Eskildsen, Yates County Soil and Water Conservation District, recently shared a very scary and very real story of a close call while a gypsum-using dairy farmer flushed out gravity flow gutters.

Upcoming Webinar on April 28th to Cover the Basics of Raising Chickens for Meat

Join CCE Allegany Livestock Educator, [Lynn Bliven](#), in a discussion about meat chicken breeds, housing, care, and

processing options. This free “Flock Talk” is sponsored by the CCE Livestock Program Work Team and will be held from [12-1 pm](#) and repeated from [7-8 pm](#) on Wednesday, April 28th.

Visit Our Website to see a list of upcoming events

Date	Time	Event Topic	Location
Thursday, April 8th	6pm - 8pm	Getting Started with Sheep and Goats	Virtual
Thursday, April 8th	7pm - 9pm	Beef Finishing Programs	Virtual
Thursday, April 8th & 15th	7pm - 8pm	Women's Tractor & Equipment Operation Safety Class	Virtual
Saturday, April 10th	11am - 2pm	*Pips to Peeps: Basics of Breeding Flocks	Virtual
Wednesday, April 14th	7pm - 8:30pm	NY Beef Quality Assurance Classroom Training	Virtual
Saturday, April 17th	11am - 2pm	*Pips to Peeps: Introduction to Incubation	Virtual

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<https://smallfarms.cornell.edu/resources/farm-resilience/>

Financial & Mental Health Resources for Farmers:

<https://www.nyfarmnet.org/>

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