Catskill Regional Agriculture Conference
SUNY Delhi  •  January 11, 2018  •  10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Registration deadline:  Friday, January 5, 2018
You must pre-register to guarantee lunch
Fee:
By January 5, $25 (includes local foods lunch)
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Name: ____________________________________________
Phone: ____________________________________________
Number attending: ________________
Total $ ________________
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Online Registration is available
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what resources are essential to successfully transition to an existing operation. We will look at making the most of opportunities to either begin, or Watershed Agricultural Program Staff Larry Hulle, New Generation of Farmers Agri-Tourism: Is it for You? Marianne Kirby, CCE Delaware County & Ray Pucci Delaware County Chamber of Commerce Agri-tourism can provide additional revenue to a farm but does have risks. We will explore the risks and rewards of agri-tourism activities on the farm and discuss Western Catskills Tourism Initiatives and the Family Farm Day program coming to Delaware County!

Misunderstanding about GMO crops There is growing controversy and challenges are. A great talk to understand the GMO issue Dr. Margaret Smith, Cornell University There is growing controversy and misunderstanding about GMO crops among farmers and the public. Dr. Margaret Smith, a sought after speaker on the GMO topic, will sort out fact from fiction, discuss the emerging field of gene editing, and help farmers be better prepared to address questions from non-farm consumers and adapt to future markets which may restrict use of genetically engineered crops. Be a Master Grazer Tony Hoffman, Resource Conservationist in Animal Science, NRCS New York The saying goes that grazing management is an art and a science, but it’s really art based upon scientific principles. This workshop will cover how to apply your personal artistic skills to make grazing management decisions that optimize pasture growth, animal performance, and soil health, using the scientific principles of plant growth, animal behavior and nutrition, and soil biology.

Feeding Non-GMO Rations Dr. Larry Chase, Cornell University Extension Milk markets are already emerging for milk produced without use of GMO crops. Dr. Chase will explain the current standards for non-GMO milk production, and how to assemble crops and rotations to meet these standards, as well as what some of the challenges are. A great talk to understand what future milk markets may require.

Pasture Renovation Decisions: What they look like. This session will explore and challenge you to improve your grazing farm with the tools you already have. The sharing of practical examples will touch on pasture renovation techniques, management decisions to improve pasture quality & nutrient cycling, increasing grazing days and reducing expenses.

Marketing Livestock Products Matt LaRoux, Ag Marketing Specialist, CNY Regional Team Have you experienced the challenge of profitably matching your livestock production to your market — especially as you are growing your business? This session will help you strategically align your production and personal skills to a market that will most appreciately support your product. Matt will lead you through the steps to produce an effective marketing plan that will work for you.

Maximizing Profit with Tomatoes Crystal Stewart, Vegetable Specialist, CNY Horticulture Team Tomatoes are a consumer favorite, but not the easiest crop to grow in our climate. Crystal will cover everything from pesky bugs and blights to season extension. Whether you are new to growing tomatoes, or have been doing it for years, bring your questions and concerns to this interactive session.

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