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January 9-12, Delaware State Fairgrounds, Harrington, Delaware
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Delaware Agriculture Week 2017

Dear Agricultural Producer,

Please mark your calendars for Delaware Agriculture Week, January 9-12, 2017. We are excited that this will be the 12th year for Delaware "Ag Week." This event is a collaboration between University of Delaware Cooperative Extension, Delaware State University Cooperative Extension, and the Delaware Department of Agriculture.

Delaware Ag Week provides useful and timely information to the agricultural community and industry through educational meetings and events. In addition, it is a great time for networking and fellowship with old and new acquaintances. There will be many opportunities to receive nutrient management, pesticide and certified crop advisor continuing education credits.

During Ag Week, there will be a wide variety of great sessions, exhibits and activities. Our session committees have once again pulled together great topics and speakers. This year, Ag Week will begin on Monday afternoon with the Poultry session. Please take a look through the program book and make note of the sessions for this year as well as upcoming meetings and events. Events that require pre-registration are listed on page 3 in the Ag Week program. For all other events, no pre-registration is required.

The main meeting area will be located in the Exhibit Hall again this year. A great Trade Show will take place in the Dover Building. Please take the time to visit with exhibitors. Their support of Delaware Ag Week is vital to the success of this event!

Ag Week activities will not be canceled due to inclement weather unless a state of emergency is declared by the Governor. Please refer to the Ag Week website <http://sites.udel.edu/delawareagweek/> or contact your County Extension Office listed below with questions you may have regarding Ag Week.

Kent County Extension Office: 302-730-4000
New Castle County Extension Office: 302-831-2506
Sussex County Extension Office: 302-856-7303

We look forward to seeing you in Harrington!

Sincerely,



Cory M. Whaley
Extension Agriculture Agent
University of Delaware

**Please pre-register for the
following events:**

Annie's Project

Contact: Tracy Wootten
Phone: (302) 856-7303
Email: wootten@udel.edu

Beef Cattle Producers Session

Contact: Susan Garey
Phone: (302) 730-4000
Email: truehart@udel.edu

**46th Annual Delaware Agricultural
Industry Dinner**

Contact: Holly Porter or Lisa Wildermuth
Phone: (302) 698-4503 or (302) 698-4501
Email: holly.porter@state.de.us or
lisa.wildermuth@state.de.us

**Delaware Horticulture Industry Expo and
Annual Pesticide Conference**

Contact: Valann Budischak
Phone: (888) 448-1203
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**Delaware Urban Farm and Food
Coalition Session**

Contact: Carrie Murphy
Phone: (302) 831-COOP
Email: cjmurphy@udel.edu

39th Annual FVGAD Awards Banquet

Contact: Emmalea Ernest
Phone: (302) 856-7303
Email: emmalea@udel.edu

Grain Marketing Session

Contact: Laurie Wolinski
Phone: (302) 831-2538
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Small Ruminant Session

Contact: Susan Garey
Phone: (302) 730-4000
Email: truehart@udel.edu

Soil Health Workshop

Contact: Sussex Conservation District
Phone: (302) 856-3990 ext. 3
www.sussexconservation.org

Women in Agriculture Conference

Contact: Shannon Dill
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Woodland Management Workshop

Contact: Dot Abbott
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Ag Week programs, visit our website at
<http://sites.udel.edu/delawareagweek/>***

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**Please take time to visit the
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EARN

Up to 1 **EASY Continuing Education Credit** towards your certification renewal for Nutrient Management

- Bring your **COMPLETED** 2016 Annual Report form to earn 1/2 credit
- Bring your manure sample in a **SEALED** and **LABELED** sandwich bag to earn 1/2 credit

Visit the Nutrient Management booth in the Dover Building during daytime sessions. **Please note** the booth will not be staffed during evening sessions.



Drop off boxes for manure samples and Annual Reports will be available during the evening sessions.



Monday, January 9, 2017

POULTRY SESSION

EXHIBIT HALL

MONDAY PM

*Moderator: Dr. Jon Moyle, Poultry Specialist,
University of Maryland Extension*

2:00 p.m.—2:05 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements

2:05 p.m.—2:45 p.m.

Windrow Composting Procedures

Bud Malone, Malone Poultry Consulting

2:45 p.m.—3:25 p.m.

Disease Suppression with Windrow Composting

*Dr. Ken Macklin, Poultry Extension Specialist,
Auburn University*

3:25 p.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

3:45 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

***Crediting Delaware Agriculture Through
Chesapeake Bay Partnership Models and
Documenting Success Through Monitoring***

*Rich Batiuk, Associate Director for Science,
Analysis and Implementation, U.S. Environmental
Protection Agency, Chesapeake Bay Program
Office*

4:30 p.m.—4:55 p.m.

Environmental Stewardship Award

*Chris Brosch, Nutrient Management Program
Administrator, Delaware Department of
Agriculture*

**4:55 p.m. *DINNER/VISIT WITH
EXHIBITORS***

***Program sponsored by the USDA Combined
Agriculture Poultry Respiratory Disease
Project***

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0

MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0

DE Nutrient Management Credits: 3.0

MD Nutrient Management Credits: 3.0

Certified Crop Advisor Credits: NM: 1.0, SW: .50

Monday, January 9, 2017

POULTRY SESSION

EXHIBIT HALL

*Moderator: Dr. Jon Moyle, Poultry Specialist,
University of Maryland Extension*

6:10 p.m.—6:55 p.m.

Electrical and Farm Safety Strategies

*Dr. Jon Moyle, Poultry Specialist, University of
Maryland Extension*

*Jennifer Rhodes, Agriculture Educator, University
of Maryland*

6:55 p.m.—7:20 p.m.

Biosecurity...It's Up to You!

Amy Syester, Account Manager, Chemtrade

7:20 p.m.—7:45 p.m.

***Poultry Air Emissions and Mitigation
Technologies***

*Dr. Hong Li, Assistant Professor, University of
Delaware*

7:45 p.m.—8:10 p.m.

***Vegetative and Biomass Buffers for Emissions
and Environmental Stewardship***

*Dr. Paul Patterson, Professor of Poultry Science,
Pennsylvania State University*

8:10 p.m. **ADJOURN**

***Program sponsored by the USDA Combined
Agriculture Poultry Respiratory Disease
Project***

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0

MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0

DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.5

MD Nutrient Management Credits: 2.0

Certified Crop Advisor Credits: SW: 1.0

Monday, January 9, 2017

**FRUIT SESSION COMMODITIES BUILDING
FRUIT & VEGETABLE GROWERS
ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE**

MONDAY EVENING

Moderator: Emmalea Ernest, Associate Scientist, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Program, University of Delaware

This session is focused on protected culture of fruit including high tunnels, greenhouses, low tunnels and shade structures.

6:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

Protected Culture Fruit Systems in the United States, Europe and Asia

Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

6:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

High Tunnel Strawberry Research and Protected Culture Fruit Observations in Maryland

Michael Newell, Horticulture Crops Program Manager, Wye Research and Education Center, University of Maryland

7:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Producing Berries in High and Low Tunnels and Choosing Structures and Coverings for Berry Production

Kathy Demchak, Senior Extension Associate, Small Fruits, Pennsylvania State University

8:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Grower, Consultant, and Researcher Panel on Experiences and Potentials with Protected Culture of Fruit

*Moderator: Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware
Invited growers, consultants and university researchers present*

9:00 p.m. *ADJOURN*

Included in the panel discussion will be experiences with high tunnel strawberries, greenhouse strawberries, shaded strawberries, high tunnel raspberries and blackberries, high tunnel cherries, high tunnel figs and organic fruit production. There will be discussions of other potential fruits for protected culture including seedless table grapes; apricots, pluots, plumcots, and apriums; plums; peaches and nectarines.

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0.75
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: CM: 3.0

Monday, January 9, 2017

**BEEF CATTLE PRODUCERS SESSION EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

6:00 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

***Understanding Your Farm's Soil Type and Its
Impact on Your Pasture***

*Phillip Sylvester, Extension Agriculture Agent,
University of Delaware*

6:30 p.m.

***BREAK FOR LIGHT DINNER &
Delaware Beef Advisory Board/
NCBA Updates—Sponsored by the
Delaware Beef Advisory Board***

7:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.

Weaning Time Management Strategies

TBA

7:30 p.m.—7:50 p.m.

***Delaware's Animal Control and Animal Cruelty
Laws 101***

*Sherri Warburton, Animal Welfare Officer,
Delaware Department of Agriculture*

8:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Fly Control Options for Beef Cattle Operations

TBA

8:30 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

***iClicker Beef Cattle Producers Needs
Assessment***

*Susan Garey, Extension Agent, University of
Delaware*

*Dan Severson, Extension Agriculture Agent,
University of Delaware*

8:45 p.m.

***QUESTIONS/EVALUATIONS AND
ADJOURN***

***Please RSVP by January 4 to Susan Garey at
truehart@udel.edu or (302) 730-4000 if you plan
on attending so we can make the necessary
arrangements for food and materials.***

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.25
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: SW: .50

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

**GENERAL & PRODUCE FOOD EXHIBIT HALL
SAFETY SESSION—FRUIT & VEGETABLE
GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE**

MONDAY EVENING/TUESDAY AM

Moderator: Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

8:55 a.m.—9:00 a.m.

Welcome

John Filasky, Jr., FVGAD President

9:00 a.m.—9:45 a.m.

Vegetable Research and the Vegetable Industry in Georgia

Dr. Timothy Coolong, Associate Professor, Vegetable Production, Department of Horticulture, University of Georgia

9:45 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

Invited Georgia Vegetable Grower

10:30 a.m. BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS

10:50 a.m.—11:40 a.m.

Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)

The Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) is now in effect and will impact many Delaware produce growers by bringing fresh produce production under regulation. In this session, updates will be provided by representatives of the Produce Marketing Association and Delaware Department of Agriculture on FSMA implementation. Dr. Robert Whitaker, Chief Science and Technology Officer, Produce Marketing Association

11:40 a.m.—12:00 p.m.

Dickeya Dianthicola in Potatoes

Dr. Nathan Kleczewski, Research and Extension Specialist, Plant Pathology, University of Delaware

12:00 p.m. LUNCH IN DOVER BUILDING

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0

MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 2.0

DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0.50

MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0

Certified Crop Advisor Credits: CM: .50, PD: 1.0

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

**DELMARVA HAY AND COMMODITIES BUILDING
PASTURE CONFERENCE**

*Moderator: Dan Severson, Extension Agriculture
Agent, University of Delaware*

9:00 a.m.—9:15 a.m.

Welcome and Housekeeping Details

*Dan Severson, Extension Agriculture Agent,
University of Delaware*

9:15 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

The Effects of Plant Structure and Type of

Growth on Hay and Pasture Management-Part 1

*Ray Smith, Extension Forage Specialist, University
of Kentucky*

10:00 a.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

10:20 a.m.—11:20 a.m.

The Effects of Plant Structure and Type of

Growth on Hay and Pasture Management-Part 2

*Ray Smith, Extension Forage Specialist, University
of Kentucky*

11:20 a.m. *LUNCH IN DOVER BUILDING*

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Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: CM: 1.5

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

GRAIN MARKETING SESSION

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.

RAM II – Risk Assessed Marketing

Workshop is free; however, pre-registration is required, limited to 45 participants. Contact Laurie Wolinski for more information at 302-831-2538 or lgw@udel.edu.

Presenter: Dr. Art Barnaby

The RAM workshop is a timely education program that will provide farmers with new ideas and risk skills to survive this market downturn. In addition to low commodity prices, the lack of convergences in the futures contracts will impact the results from short hedges-forward contracts and crop revenue insurance that pays based on a zero basis. Storage is one method for dealing with the lack of convergence in the futures market, but that will open a new set of risks.

This workshop utilizes a case study, with participants managing a typical grain farm. Participants working the case problem will improve their understanding of the different marketing strategies, crop insurance coverage levels and how to make the best use of the “free” protection in the FSA commodity program.

TUESDAY AM/PM



Session Summary:

*DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: PD: 6.0*

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

FRESH MARKET SESSION FRUIT & VEGETABLE GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE	EXHIBIT HALL
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Moderator: Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

Cole Crop Session

1:15 p.m.—1:30 p.m.

Challenges with Cole Crop Production in Delaware-High Population Broccoli, Brussel's Sprouts

Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

1:30 p.m.—1:45 p.m.

Disease Management in Cole Crops

Dr. Kate Everts, Extension Plant Pathologist, University of Maryland and University of Delaware

1:45 p.m.—2:00 p.m.

Insect Management Updates in Cole Crops

Dr. Gerald Brust, Extension Specialist, IPM Vegetables, University of Maryland

2:00 p.m.—2:15 p.m.

Pennsylvania State Broccoli Variety Trials

Timothy Elkner, Regional Horticulture Educator, Pennsylvania State University

2:15 p.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

Tomato Session

2:30 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

Succeeding with Tomatoes and Tomato Insect Management

Dr. Gerald Brust, Extension Specialist, IPM Vegetables, University of Maryland

3:00 p.m.—3:15 p.m.

Disease Management in Tomatoes

Dr. Kate Everts, Extension Plant Pathologist, University of Maryland and University of Delaware

3:15 p.m.—3:35 p.m.

Pennsylvania State Tomato Variety Trials

Timothy Elkner, Regional Horticulture Educator, Pennsylvania State University

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FRESH MARKET SESSION **EXHIBIT HALL**
FRUIT & VEGETABLE GROWERS
ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE

Sweet Corn Session

3:35 p.m.—3:50 p.m.

Herbicide Updates in Sweet Corn

*Dr. Mark VanGessel, Extension Weed Science
Specialist, University of Delaware*

3:50 p.m.—4:10 p.m.

Disease Management in Sweet Corn

*Dr. Nathan Kleczewski, Research and Extension
Specialist, Plant Pathology, University of Delaware*

4:10 p.m.—4:40 p.m.

***Sweet Corn Variety Trials in Delaware and
Pennsylvania***

*Emmalea Ernest, Associate Scientist, Extension
Fruit and Vegetable Program, University of
Delaware*
*Timothy Elkner, Regional Horticulture Educator,
Pennsylvania State University*

4:40 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Insect Management Updates in Sweet Corn

*Bill Cissel, Extension Agent-IPM, University of
Delaware*

5:00 p.m. *ADJOURN*

TUESDAY PM

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 3.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 4.0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0.25
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: PM: 2.0, CM: 1.5

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

**DELMARVA HAY AND COMMODITIES BUILDING
PASTURE CONFERENCE**

*Moderator: Dan Severson, Extension Agriculture
Agent, University of Delaware*

1:00 p.m.—1:20 p.m.

***Greetings from American Forage and Grassland
Council***

*Robert Shoemaker, President-Elect, American
Forage and Grassland Council*

1:20 p.m.—1:50 p.m.

****Hay Testing: How to Sample and What
Numbers to Expect for Various Types of Hay***

*David Wert, President and Reporter, Market News,
Lewisburg, Pennsylvania*

1:50 p.m.—2:35 p.m.

***Cutting Through the Fog: How to Make Sense of
a Forage Analysis Report***

*Les Vough, President, Maryland Forage Council
and Forage Crops Extension Specialist Emeritus,
University of Maryland*

2:35 p.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

2:50 p.m.—3:20 p.m.

Weed Issues in Hay and Pasture Fields

*Dr. Mark VanGessel, Extension Weed Science
Specialist, University of Delaware
Quintin Johnson, Extension Weed Associate,
University of Delaware*

3:20 p.m. *ADJOURN*

****Please RSVP by January 2 to Dan Severson at
severson@udel.edu or (302) 831-8860 if you plan
to bring a bale of hay to be cored and sampled.***

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: PM: .50, CM: 1.0

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

EQUINE SESSION

EXHIBIT HALL

*Moderator: Sydney Riggi, Extension Agent,
Nutrient Management, University of Delaware*

6:00 p.m.—6:05 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements

6:05 p.m.—6:30 p.m.

***Understanding Your Farm's Soil Type and Its
Impact on Your Pasture***

*Phillip Sylvester, Extension Agriculture Agent,
University of Delaware*

6:30 p.m.—7:15 p.m.

***Managing the Risk of Laminitis in Horses on
Pasture***

Dr. Sarah Ralston, Rutgers University

7:15 p.m. *BREAK*

7:25 p.m.—7:50 p.m.

Farm Safety: Around the Barn and With Horses

Jessica Flores, University of Maryland Extension

7:50 p.m.—8:20 p.m.

***Global Worming: How to Prevent De-wormer
Meltdown in the 21st Century***

*Dr. Rose D. Nolen-Walston, University of
Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine*

8:20 p.m.—8:45 p.m.

***Farm and Manure Management: Tips to
Protect the Environment***

*Susan Garey, Extension Agent, University of
Delaware*

*Sydney Riggi, Extension Agent, Nutrient
Management, University of Delaware*

8:45 p.m. *ADJOURN*

TUESDAY PM/EVENING

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0

MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0

DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.75

MD Nutrient Management Credits: 2.0

Certified Crop Advisor Credits: PM: .50

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

SMALL RUMINANT SESSION

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

6:00 p.m.—6:05 p.m.

Welcome and Announcements

6:05 p.m.—6:20 p.m.

***Introduction and Future Prospective of
Delaware State University's Small Ruminant
Program***

*Dr. Kwame Mathews, Assistant Professor and
Small Ruminant Specialist, Delaware State
University*

6:20 p.m.—7:00 p.m.

***Traceability and the National Scrapie
Eradication Program***

*Dr. Alan Huddleston, Associate Team Lead, USDA,
APHIS, VS, SHCE, Sheep and Goat Health*

7:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m. *Dinner*

***Delaware's Animal Control and Animal
Cruelty Laws 101***

*Sherri Warburton, Animal Welfare Officer,
Delaware Department of Agriculture*

7:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

***Increasing the Lifetime Productivity of the Ewe
and Doe***

*Dr. Marlon Knights, Associate Professor of
Reproductive Physiology, West Virginia State
University*

**8:30 p.m. *QUESTIONS/EVALUATIONS/
ADJOURN***

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truehart@udel.edu or (302) 730-4000 by
January 6 if you plan on attending so we can
make the necessary arrangements for food and
materials.***

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0.50
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: 0

Tuesday, January 10, 2017

**39TH ANNUAL FVGAD AWARDS BANQUET
HARRINGTON FIRE HALL
HARRINGTON, DELAWARE**

****PRE-REGISTRATION REQUESTED****

Tickets are \$30. To reserve tickets for the FVGAD Banquet, contact Emmalea Ernest at emmalea@udel.edu or (302) 856-7303 by Friday, January 6.

6:00 p.m. *Social Hour*

7:00 p.m. *Dinner*

Presentation of 2017 FVGAD Distinguished Service Award

Presentation of 2017 FVGAD Family Award

Invited Guest Entertainment: Dan Cain-Illusionist/Mentalist

TUESDAY EVENING

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

PROCESSING VEGETABLES	EXHIBIT HALL
SESSION - FRUIT & VEGETABLE	
GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE	

Moderator: Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

9:00 a.m.—9:20 a.m.

Parthenocarpic Pickling Cucumber Variety Trials, Nitrogen Application Rates, and Population Studies. Processing Pepper Variety Trials. Updates on Research with Bacterial Inoculants in Lima Beans.

Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

9:20 a.m.—9:40 a.m.

Pea and Lima Bean Variety Trials and Lima Breeding Program Update. Understanding Heat Losses in Lima Beans.

Emmalea Ernest, Associate Scientist, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Program, University of Delaware

9:40 a.m.—10:00 a.m.

Processing Vegetable Disease Updates; Downy Mildew Resistant Cucumber Trials and Downy Mildew Fungicide Testing

Dr. Kate Everts, Extension Plant Pathologist, University of Maryland and University of Delaware

10:00 a.m.—10:10 a.m.

Processing Crop Weed Management Updates

Dr. Mark VanGessel, Extension Weed Science Specialist, University of Delaware

10:10 a.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

10:30 a.m.—10:50 a.m.

Managing Root Knot Nematodes in Processing Vegetables-What Have We Learned?

*Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware
Jake Jones, Ph.D. Student, University of Maryland*

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PROCESSING VEGETABLES EXHIBIT HALL
SESSION - FRUIT & VEGETABLE
GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE

10:50 a.m.—11:40 a.m.

***Grower, Consultant, and Processor Panel on
Reemerging and New Processing Vegetables
and Other Opportunities on Delmarva-
Tomatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Squash, Edamame,
Pigment Crops, Specialty Legumes***

*Moderator: Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit
and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware*

11:40 a.m.—11:50 a.m.

FVGAD Business Meeting

11:50 a.m. *LUNCH IN DOVER BUILDING*

WEDNESDAY AM

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 4.0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0.50
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: PM: 1.0, CM: 1.5

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

DIRECT MARKETING SESSION

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

9:00 a.m.—9:10 a.m.
Welcome

9:10 a.m.—9:20 a.m.
The Value of Statistics and Marketing
Dale Hawks, USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service

9:20 a.m.—9:45 a.m.
Building Business and Making Connections at the PMA Fresh Summit
Panel Discussion

9:45 a.m.—10:05 a.m.
Your Farm, Their Values: How to Talk to Consumers About Tough Topics
Stacey Hofmann, Delaware Department of Agriculture
Dan Shortridge, Delaware Department of Agriculture

10:05 a.m.—10:15 a.m.
Food Safety on the Farm
Holly Porter, Delaware Department of Agriculture
Andrea Jackson, Delaware Department of Agriculture

10:15 a.m. BREAK

10:30 a.m.—10:45 a.m.
Lightning Round: Grants to Build Your Business

10:45 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
What's New at the Farmers' Markets
Dave Smith, Delaware Department of Agriculture

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Wednesday, January 11, 2017

DIRECT MARKETING SESSION

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

11:00 a.m.—11:20 a.m.
Growing and Selling Niche Crops
Panel Discussion

11:20 a.m.—11:30 a.m.
The Importance of Labeling
Staff, Delaware Department of Agriculture

11:30 a.m.—11:50 a.m.
Thinking Outside the Box
Katey Evans, Evans Farms

11:50 a.m.—11:55 a.m.
Wrap-Up, Evaluations, and Prize Drawing

11:55 a.m. *ADJOURN*

WEDNESDAY AM

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: CM: 1.0, PD: 1.0

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

WOODLAND MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP	COMMODITIES BUILDING
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9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
TBA

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Wednesday, January 11, 2017

**FRESH MARKET/VINE CROPS EXHIBIT HALL
SESSION-FRUIT & VEGETABLE
GROWERS ASSOCIATION OF DELAWARE**

Moderator: Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware

1:20 p.m.—2:00 p.m.

***Disease Management in Vine Crops
(watermelons, muskmelons, squash,
pumpkins, cucumbers)***

*Dr. Kate Everts, Extension Plant Pathologist,
University of Maryland and University of Delaware*

2:00 p.m.—2:10 p.m.

Vine Crop Herbicide Update

*Dr. Mark VanGessel, Extension Weed Science
Specialist, University of Delaware*

2:10 p.m.—2:20 p.m.

Seedless Watermelon Variety Trials

*Dr. Gordon Johnson, Extension Fruit and
Vegetable Specialist, University of Delaware*

2:20 p.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

***FVGAD Special Session-Growing in a High
Tunnel***

*Moderator: Dr. Rose Ogutu, Horticulture
Specialist, Delaware State University*

2:40 p.m.—3:10 p.m.

High Tunnel Production in Delaware

*Dr. Rose Ogutu, Horticulture Specialist, Delaware
State University*

3:10 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

***Managing Nutrients in High Tunnel Peppers,
Tomatoes, and Cucumbers: Maximize
Production and Quality***

*Steve Bogash, Vice President Marketing and New
Product Development, ISP Technologies*

4:00 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Benefits of Growing in a High Tunnel

*Dr. Sanjun Gu, Extension Specialist, Horticulture,
North Carolina A & T State University*

4:30 p.m. *ADJOURN*

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0

MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 4.0

DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.25

MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0

Certified Crop Advisor Credits: NM: 1.0, PM: 1.0, CM: 1.0

WEDNESDAY AM/PM

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

RISK MANAGEMENT SESSION

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

Farm Succession Planning

Succession planning may be one of the most involved pieces to begin and complete in a farm risk management plan. In this session, participants will learn about the elements and steps involved in developing a succession plan. By engaging the “successor” in the process, the end result can be a transparent and fully disclosed succession plan. Particular attention will focus on retirement planning, business mission statements, land leasing, insurance coverage and crop insurance. A farm succession plan checklist will be distributed to all participants.

1:30 p.m.—1:45 p.m.

Succession Planning Steps, Checklist, and Docs

Maria Pippidis, University of Delaware

1:45 p.m.—2:15 p.m.

Retirement Planning

Maria Pippidis, University of Delaware

2:15 p.m.—3:00 p.m.

Mission Statements

Laurie Wolinski, University of Delaware

3:00 p.m. *BREAK*

3:30 p.m.—4:00 p.m.

Land Leases

University of Maryland Ag Law Initiative

4:00 p.m.—4:15 p.m.

Insurance Coverage

Nationwide Insurance

4:15 p.m.—4:30 p.m.

Crop Insurance

Farm First Services, Inc.

4:30 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

Recap and Handout Review and Next Steps

Dan Severson, Extension Agriculture Agent, University of Delaware

5:00 p.m.

ADJOURN



Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: 0

Wednesday, January 11, 2017

**SMALL FLOCK
POULTRY SESSION**

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

Moderator: Dr. Brigid McCrea, Extension Poultry Specialist, Delaware State University

6:00 p.m.—6:05 p.m.

Introductions

Dr. Brigid McCrea, Extension Poultry Specialist, Delaware State University

6:05 p.m.—6:50 p.m.

Top Myths in Poultry Health and Production

Dr. Jon Moyle, Poultry Specialist, University of Maryland Extension

6:50 p.m. *BREAK*

7:00 p.m.—7:45 p.m.

Antibiotic vs. Non-Antibiotic Supplements for Your Small Flock

Dr. Ken Macklin, Auburn University

7:45 p.m. *BREAK*

8:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.

Footbaths: Easier Than You Think!

Dr. Brigid McCrea, Extension Poultry Specialist, Delaware State University

8:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

Raising Barred Plymouth Rocks and Buckeyes for Meat Production

Dr. Brigid McCrea, Extension Poultry Specialist, Delaware State University

9:00 p.m. *ADJOURN*

WEDNESDAY PM/EVENING

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 2.5
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 3.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: 0

Thursday, January 12, 2017

AGRONOMY/SOYBEAN SESSION EXHIBIT HALL

*Moderator: Phillip Sylvester, Extension
Agriculture Agent, University of Delaware*

8:00 a.m.—8:30 a.m.
Doors Open-Visit with Exhibitors

8:30 a.m.—9:20 a.m.
Field Crops Disease Management Update
*Dr. Nathan Kleczewski, Research and Extension
Specialist, Plant Pathology, University of Delaware*

9:20 a.m.—10:10 a.m.
***Update to the UD Agronomic Crop Fertility
Recommendations***
*Dr. Amy Shober, Extension Nutrient Management
Specialist, University of Delaware*

10:10 a.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

10:40 a.m.—11:40 a.m.
***A Grower's Perspective on Producing High
Yield Soybeans-Insight From a Grower***
Dan Arkels, Illinois Farmer
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11:40 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
Delaware Soybean Board Remarks and Awards
Jay Baxter, Delaware Soybean Board Chairman

12:00 p.m. *LUNCH IN DOVER BUILDING*
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**NORTHEAST
EXTENSION
RISK MANAGEMENT
EDUCATION**

Session Summary:

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DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.50
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 2.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: NM: 1.0, PM: 1.0, CM: 1.0

Thursday, January 12, 2017

AGRONOMY/SOYBEAN SESSION EXHIBIT HALL

1:15 p.m.—2:05 p.m.

Horseweed, Palmer, Ragweed-Are We Gaining on Them?

Dr. Mark VanGessel, Extension Weed Science Specialist, University of Delaware

2:05 p.m.—2:50 p.m.

Crediting Delaware Agriculture Through Chesapeake Bay Partnership Models and Documenting Success Through Monitoring

Rich Batiuk, Associate Director for Science, Analysis and Implementation, United States Environmental Protection Agency

2:50 p.m. *BREAK/VISIT WITH EXHIBITORS*

3:10 p.m.—4:40 p.m.

Five Common Mistakes in Grain Marketing

Ed Usset, Grain Marketing Economist, Center for Farm Financial Management, University of Minnesota

4:40 p.m.—5:10 p.m.

Financing Options for On-Farm Storage and Handling

Lynn T. Manges, Program Specialist, USDA-Farm Service Agency

5:10 p.m. *ADJOURN*

THURSDAY AM/PM



**NORTHEAST
EXTENSION
RISK MANAGEMENT
EDUCATION**

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 1.0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 2.0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 1.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: PM: 1.0, SW: .50, CM: 2.0

Thursday, January 12, 2017

SOIL HEALTH WORKSHOP

EXHIBIT HALL

**5:00 p.m. *Dinner Available to Workshop
Participants***

**6:00 p.m.—6:05 p.m.
*Welcome and Introduction***

**6:05 p.m.—6:25 p.m.
Cover Crops: Why Grow a Crop You Don't Sell?
*Russell Hedrick, JRH Grain Farms LLC, Hickory,
North Carolina***

**6:25 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
*Tailoring Cover Crops and Management to
Your Farming Goals*
*Russell Hedrick, JRH Grain Farms LLC, Hickory,
North Carolina***

**7:00 p.m.—7:30 p.m.
*Soil Health and On-Farm Research in the
Mid-Atlantic Region*
*Sarah Marie Hirsch, University of Maryland***

7:30 p.m. *BREAK*

**7:40 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
*Lessons Learned in Managing Cover Crops,
No-Till and Slugs*
*Trey Hill, Harborview Farms, Rock Hall, Maryland***

**8:00 p.m.—8:30 p.m.
*Cover Crops and Nutrient Management
Systems*
*Steven Mirsky, USDA Agricultural Research
Service***

**8:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m.
*Speaker Panel Questions and Answers***

9:00 p.m. *ADJOURN*

***Lite dinner to be served. Attendees can register
for the workshop by calling the district office
at (302) 856-3990, ext. 3 or online at
www.sussexconservation.org
by January 10, 2017.***

Session Summary:

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MD Nutrient Management Credits: 3.0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: NM: .50, SW: 1.5

Thursday, January 12, 2017

**SPECIAL GRAIN MARKETING
SESSION**

**EXHIBIT HALL
BOARD ROOM**

6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

Grain Marketing Outlook-Question and Answer Session

Ed Usset, Grain Marketing Economist, Center for Farm Financial Management, University of Minnesota

Grain prices are into a third consecutive year of a bear market. Why do prices continue to be on the defensive? Is the issue burdensome supply or lack of demand? Explore the current price outlook for grains and the changes it will take to shake-off the bear.

8:00 p.m. **ADJOURN**

THURSDAY EVENING

Session Summary:

DE Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
MD Pesticide Certification Credits: 0
DE Nutrient Management Credits: 0
MD Nutrient Management Credits: 0
Certified Crop Advisor Credits: CM: 2.0

Thursday, January 12, 2017

**DELAWARE URBAN FARM &
FOOD COALITION SESSION**

OFFSITE



The Delaware Urban Farm and Food Coalition (DEUFFC) is committed to expanding the production, distribution, and consumption of fresh fruits and vegetables in the greater Wilmington area as means to improve public health, as well as to increase job opportunities and beautify blighted neighborhoods.

Feel the pulse of Delaware's urban agriculture community! In this session, engage in discussion focused on local school and community garden, urban farming, and corner store efforts; learn more about the DEUFFC and network with members and partners; connect to projects and initiatives and learn how to get involved; and enjoy local food and drink.

Thursday, January 12, 2017, 6-8 pm
Networking and refreshments starting at 5 pm
The Delaware Center for Horticulture
1810 N DuPont Street, Wilmington, DE 19806

Pre-registration is required.

To register:

<http://www.thedch.org/activities-events>

For more information, contact:

Carrie Murphy, Extension Educator,
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Session Summary:

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Certified Crop Advisor Credits: 0

Delaware Horticulture Industry Expo and Annual Pesticide Conference

January 18 and 19, 2017



**Modern Maturity Center
1121 Forrest Avenue
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January 19, 2017
Dover Downs Hotel &
Casino
Dover, Delaware
5:00 p.m.

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- *Lending and Financial Management*
- *Native Pollinators*

Location:

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Dover, Delaware
room rates available

Registration is open:

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Managing for Today and Tomorrow is designed to empower women to grow their agriculture business' legacy into the future. The class will focus on succession, business, estate and retirement planning. Through this six-session program, professionals and up to date resources will be available to all participants.

Topics include:

- ❖ Business Planning
- ❖ Farm Resources
- ❖ Marketing
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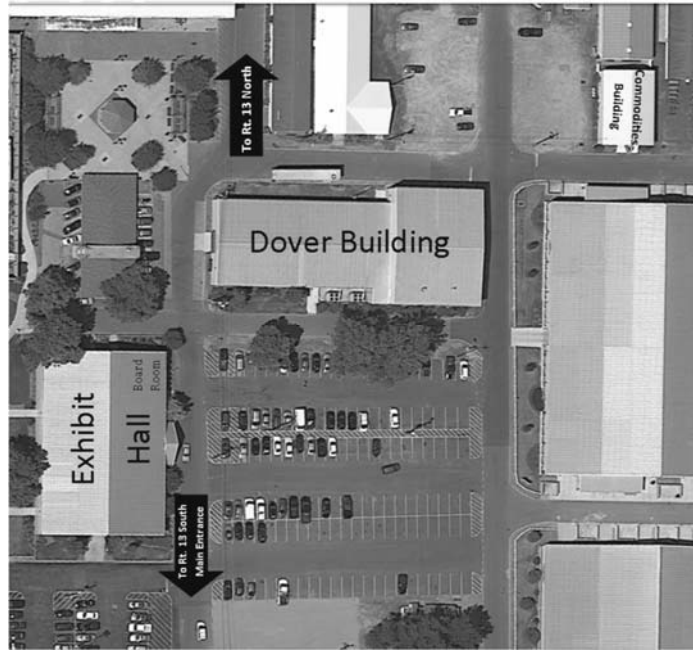


Dairy Day

**February 16, 2017
Hartly Fire Hall**

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