



March 6 – 7, 2024
East Syracuse, NY

Embracing Opportunities for Viable Future

March 6, 2024

- 8:00 AM** **Registration open**
Sponsored by Pikeside Ag Machinery
- 9:00 AM** **Pre-Conference Sessions**
- **Heifer Inventory Management- What Does That Mean? Why Are We Still Talking About It After All These Years?** – Peter Dueppengiesser, ST Genetics (sponsored by ST Genetics)
 - **Maximizing Yield Using Geospatial Agronomy within the Context of Large Dairy Farms** – Chris Fennig, Dairy One & MyFarms (sponsored by Agricultural Consulting Services)
 - **Your Best Shot at Udder Health: Helping Cows Combat Mastitis Through Strategic Trace Mineral Supplementation** – Dr. Craig Louder, Axiota Animal Health (sponsored by Axiota Animal Health)
- 9:55 AM** **Pre-Conference Sessions**
- **Mycoplasma Mastitis in Dairy Cows** – Dr. Roger Saltman, Dairy One & RLS Management Solutions (sponsored by Dairy One Cooperative, Inc.)
 - **Large Herd Robotic Milking: Experiences Shared From 16+ years of Robotic Operation** – Clayton Hemminger and Pete Maslyn, Hemdale Farms (sponsored by Finger Lakes Dairy Services)
 - **What Are Our Top Producing Herds Doing?** – Dr. Karen Luchterhand, Novus International (sponsored by Novus International)
- 10:50 AM** **Pre-Conference Sessions**
- **From Parlor to the Pens: Optimizing Your Time and Labor Through Better Farm and Cow Management** – Andy Lenkaitis, GEA Farm Technologies (sponsored by GEA Farm Technologies)
 - **Value-Added Dairy: From Feasibility to Follow-Through** – Heather Weeks, Kelsey Neckers, Emili Ponte, Farm Credit East (sponsored by Farm Credit East, ACA)
 - **Pioneering Genetic Improvement to Create a More Sustainable Food Supply** – Dr. Matthew Cleveland, ABS Global (sponsored by ABS Global)
- 11:35 AM** **Lunch**
- 12:45 PM** **Welcome**
- 1:00 PM** **Making Molehills Out of Mountains – Leadership Strategies that Work!** – Andrew McCrea, Oscar-Winning TV and Radio Broadcaster
Opening Keynote sponsored by Ever.Ag

- 2:05 PM** **Grabbing Hold or Letting Go: Embracing the Uncomfortable Work of Transitioning the Management & Leadership of Your Family Business** - Barb Dartt, The Family Business Consulting Group
- 3:05 PM** **Trade Show and Break**
Sponsored by Delaval Dairy Service
- 4:00 PM** **5 Keys to Maintaining Balance: During and After Disruption** - Janine Stange, Singer and On-Air Personality
- 5:00 PM** **Popp Undergraduate and Leadership Awards**
- 5:30 PM** **Networking Dinner and Activities**

MARCH 7, 2024

- 6:30 AM** **Breakfast**
- 7:15 AM** **NEDPA Annual Meeting**
- 8:30 AM** **You Have More Influence Than You Think** - Dr. Vanessa Bohns, Cornell University
- 9:15 AM** **Dairy Farming & Greenhouse Gas Emissions: Challenges & Opportunities** - Karl Czymmek, Kirsten Workman, and Lauren Ray, Cornell CALS PRO-DAIRY; Dr. Mike Van Amburgh and Dr. Olivia Godber, Cornell University Animal Science
- 10:00 AM** **Break**
- 10:30 AM** **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**
- Setting the Foundation to Create a Farm Team Motivated to Achieve Business and Personal Goals - Jared Dueppengiesser, Rosendale Dairy
 - The Value of Dairy Environmental Footprints for Your Farm and the New York Dairy Industry - Kirsten Workman, Cornell CALS PRO-DAIRY; Dr. Quirine Ketterings, Cornell CALS NMSP and Dr. Olivia Godber, Cornell CALS NMSP
- 11:30 AM** **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**
- Creating a Productive Organizational Structure - Collin McCarthy, Cargill
 - Manure and Methane: What You Need to Know - Jason Oliver and Lauren Ray, Cornell CALS PRO-DAIRY
- 12:15 PM** **Lunch**
- 1:15 PM** **Harnessing Technology for a Sustainable and Resilient Dairy Production at the Farm of the Future** - Dr. Julio Giordano, Cornell University
- 2:15 PM** **Lean System Approach to Farm Safety: Panel Discussion** - Dr. Richard Stup, Cornell Agricultural Workforce Development
- 4:00 PM** **Adjourn**