January 24, 2019

8:00   Registration
8:30   Welcome
8:35   Sharing Our Experience on a Grass Dairy – David Erb
9:30   Financial Insight Roundtable – Roman Hostetler, Vernon Mast, Norman Miller, Ray Yoder, Wade Miller (Moderator)
10:30  Break/Vendor Show
11:00  First Breakout Sessions:

  1st:  Conventional Grazing Farm Tour – Vernon Mast, Roman Hostetler

  2nd:  All Grass/Organic Farm Tour – Norman Miller, Ray Yoder

12:15  Lunch/Vendor Show
1:30   Second Breakout Sessions:

  1st:  ABC’s of Starting a Financial Grazing Group – Pete Lehman, Leon Mast, Ray Yoder, Wade Miller (Moderator)

  2nd:  Practical Performance – Vernon Hostetler

  3rd:  Fresh/Transition Cow Management – Ryan Leiterman

2:30   From Lean Pastures to Fat Pasture – Forrest Stricker
4:00   Adjourn

January 25, 2019

8:00   Registration
8:30   Welcome
8:35   Sweet Grass Dairy Farm Tour – Jacob Coleman
9:30   Thinking Outside the Box to Improve Our Dairies – Ryan Leiterman
10:30  Break/Vendor Show
11:00  Third Breakout Sessions:

  1st:  Making Ian Mitchell’s Concepts Work – Jacob Coleman, Forrest Stricker, Joe Amstutz

  2nd:  Milk Quality – Kurt Fiene, Mark Martin (Troubleshooting, bring questions)

12:15  Lunch/Vendor Show
1:30   Fourth Breakout Sessions:

  1st:  Ration Changes to Improved Butterfat – Gene Debruin

  2nd:  Improving Your Milk Check Through Genetics – David Sellars

2:40   Keeping Your Children Involved on the Family Farm – Henry Yoder / Attendees
3:45   Wrap Up Comments and Adjourn

Registration for Conference

Names: ____________________________  ____________________________  ____________________________
Address: ____________________________  ____________________________  ____________________________
Phone: ____________________________  ____________________________  ____________________________

Conference Fee Includes: Registration, Breaks/Vendor Show, Meals

Number attending: _________________

Cost: $55.00 first person from farm for 2 days
      $50.00 for each additional person for 2 days
      $65.00 (1-day) if registered after 1/15/19
      $75.00 (2-days) if registered after 1/15/19

One-day registration is $45.00 per person. Indicate which day: Jan. 24th or Jan. 25th

Amount enclosed: ___________________

Questions: Call (330) 262-8875 or email Mike Gessel at sgessel@aol.com

Please make checks payable to Small Farm Institute and send registration to:

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P.O. Box 214
Millersburg, OH 44654
Directions:
Located in Mt. Hope, Ohio 44660 next to Mt.
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From Millersburg take SR 39/SR 62 east to CR
77 north to Mt. Hope.
From Wooster take US 30 to SR 250 south to
SR 241 south to Mt. Hope.

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Joe Amstutz: Organic Dairy Grazier, Orrville, Ohio
Jacob Coleman: Organic Dairy Grazier, Brickhaven,
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Gene Debruin: Livestock Nutritionist/Organic Dairy
Farmer, Circleville, Ohio
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