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## **Pre-Registration Form - Connecticut Dairy Seminar - Monday, March 19, 2018**

*Pre-registration for the seminar is \$50 each (\$60 on-site). Additional members of a farm are \$30 each (\$40 on-site). Registration includes morning refreshments and lunch. Register by March 9th and Save! All registrations received after March 9th will be charged on-site rates. Make checks payable to: NEAFA. Pre-registration deadline: March 9, 2018.*

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Farm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$50 each = \_\_\_\_\_

Additional farm members attending \_\_\_\_\_ x \$30 each = \_\_\_\_\_ **TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_

Register online with your credit card at [www.northeastalliance.com](http://www.northeastalliance.com).

Mail checks and other forms of payment to: Northeast Agribusiness & Feed Alliance, 4 Youngs Place, Latham, NY 12110; (518) 783-1322. For more information, please contact Dr. Sheila Andrew, [sheila.andrew@uconn.edu](mailto:sheila.andrew@uconn.edu); phone: (860) 486-0803.

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4 Youngs Place  
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## CONFERENCE AGENDA

7:30 am

### **Trade Show**

Participants Set-up

9:00 am

### **Registration**

Refreshments and Trade Show

9:50 am

### **Welcome**

Dr. Sheila Andrew, Professor, UConn, Department of Animal Science

10:00 am

### **Cashing in on Cow Comfort**

Dr. Rick Grant, William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute

11:00 am

### **Effective Use of Culture-based Mastitis and Dry Cow Therapies to Improve Milk Quality**

Dr. Amy Vasquez, Cornell School of Veterinary Medicine

11:45 am

### **Risk Management Program Updates**

Mr. Joe Bonelli, Associate Extension Educator, UConn

12:00 pm

### **Introduction of Trade Show Participants**

12:15 pm

### **Lunch and Trade Show**

1:30 pm

### **Adaption to Environmental Influences on Forage Quality**

Mr. Joe Lawrence, Pro-Dairy, Cornell University

2:00 pm

### **Discussion of Successful Dairy Forage Programs in New England**

Dairy Producer Panel (3 dairy producers)

3:00 pm

### **Wrap up and Evaluations**

3:15 pm

### **Adjourn**

## FEATURED SPEAKERS



**Dr. Rick Grant, Ph.D.,**  
*President, William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute*

Dr. Rick Grant was raised on a dairy farm in northern New York State. From 1990 to 2003, Rick was a professor and extension dairy specialist in the Department of Animal

Science at the University of Nebraska in Lincoln. Since February of 2003, he has been President of the William H. Miner Agricultural Research Institute in Chazy, NY. Rick's research interests focus on forages, dairy cattle nutrition, and cow behavior.

**Dr. Amy Vasquez, DVM,**  
*Ph.D. Candidate, Cornell University*

Dr. Amy Vasquez spent 5 years as a dairy practitioner in Central Valley, California, where she developed a passion for extension work focused on mastitis and mastitis microbiology.

This led her to her current research "career" as a Ph.D. candidate, and she is currently in her 4th year of her program at Cornell University. She has successfully worked with small and large dairies in New York to implement these protocols and is excited to share her experience and knowledge with the group.



**Mr. Joe Lawrence, MS,**  
*Cornell University*

Joe serves as a Dairy Forage Systems Specialist with the Cornell University PRO-DAIRY team. He has been involved in the dairy industry his



entire life, growing up on a dairy farm in Northern New York State and working in the New York dairy industry for over 10 years, now as an Extension Educator and private sector Crop Advisor. His work has always had a strong focus on a whole farm approach to forage management.

## DIRECTIONS

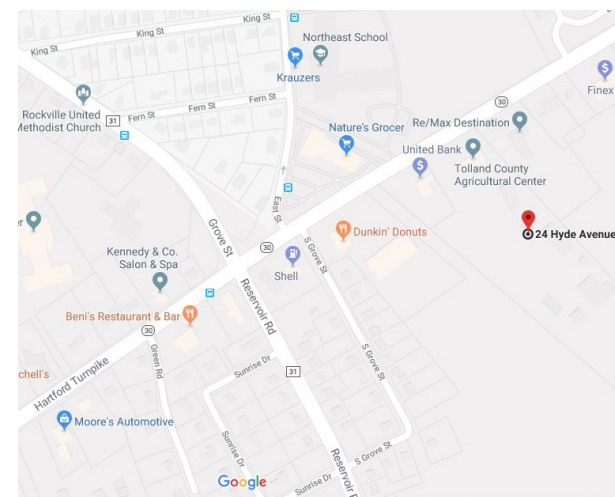
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