Pre-Registration Form

New England Dairy Conference  
Monday, March 14, 2016

Pre-Registration for the conference is $20.00 (or $30.00 at the door). Additional members of a farm $10.00 each. Participants can register ONLINE with credit card or mail this form with a check. Registration includes morning refreshments and lunch. We need your registration in-hand by March 10, 2016 for you to benefit from the lower pre-registration amount. Make checks payable to: University of Connecticut.

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Number attending _____ x $20.00 each = _____ Other farm members attending______ x $10.00 = ______ Grand Total ________

Mail to: Dr. Sheila Andrew, University of Connecticut, Department of Animal Science, Unit 4040, Storrs, CT 06269-4040

For questions, please call Dr. Sheila Andrew, 860-486-0803. NEW! – To register online with a credit card visit www.animalscience.uconn.edu

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CONference agenda

9:00 AM Registration, Refreshments and Trade Show

9:50 Welcome – Dr. Sheila Andrew, Professor, UConn, Department of Animal Science

10:00 Dr. Gabriella A. Varga, Professor Emeritus, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
“Pre-Fresh Dairy Cow Feeding and Management”

• Cow comfort and facilities
• Effect of body condition, cow movement, and stocking density
• Nutritional strategies for feeding the dry cow
• Application of low energy diet and how it might work
• Economic impact of a well-managed transition period

11:30 Dr. Rachael Gately, DVM, Cummings Veterinary Medical Center, Tufts Ambulatory Service
“Update on the FDA Animal Feed Directive and the Future for Antibiotic use in Dairy Cattle.”

12:00 PM Mr. Joe Bonelli, Associate Extension Educator, UConn
“Risk Management Program Updates”

12:15 Introduction of Trade Show Participants

12:30 Lunch and View Trade Show

1:45 Dr. Gabriella Varga, Professor Emeritus, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA
“Post-Fresh Dairy Cow Feeding and Management”

• Goals for feeding the fresh cow; minimizing ketosis and acidosis
• Practical methods to monitor performance and health
• Cow comfort, facilities, and grouping strategies

3:15 Adjourn

Featured Speaker

Gabriella A. Varga is a Professor Emeritus in the Department of Dairy and Animal Science at Penn State University where she has been a member of the faculty since 1985. Gabriella retired in 2013.

While on the faculty, she conducted research and had both teaching and extension appointments in the department. Her research focused on management strategies for late gestation and early postpartum dairy cows and management strategies that enhanced profitability on the dairy farm. Her research program incorporated basic and applied concepts to provide an understanding of factors affecting the needs of the dairy cow. She continues to provide educational information that can be used directly by the dairy producer.

Dr. Varga taught a junior and senior level dairy management and nutrition class for undergraduates and ruminant physiology class for graduate students. She currently is a coach for the PSU Dairy Challenge team and participates on many dairy profit teams throughout Pennsylvania.

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