



2019 NYFEA Institute

December 11—14, 2019
Lancaster, Pennsylvania
“Pennsylvania Proud”



- MAKE PLANS NOW. HISTORY AND AGRICULTURE ARE AWAITING YOU!
- WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ATTEND our AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION and LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM
- BRING A FRIEND and JOIN US!

Hotel: Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square; 25 South Queen Street; Lancaster, PA 17603; Hotel Direct:717-239-1600 (ask for NYFEA or Young Farmer rate) Room Rate: \$119.00/night – until block is filled or 11/05/2019 is the requested cutoff (If you have any challenges with room or registration, please call NYFEA at 334-546-9951 or email: nyfea-main@nyfea.org)

Airport: NYFEA will provide transportation to and from the Harrisburg International Airport within designated hours. Airport is 32 miles from the hotel.

Schedule:

Wednesday, Dec 11 – Registration opens at noon. Board Meeting at 1:00 Delegate Meeting at 3:00 Taste of Pennsylvania Reception, Entertainment and Ice Cream Social in evening.

Thursday, Dec 12 - Following breakfast at the Marriott the tour buses will head to Chester County. Tour options will include “The Tastiest Tour in Town” at Herr’s Snack Factory and a tour of the Herr Angus Farm, visit the Mushroom Capital of the World and tour a mushroom farm and processing plant, and tour the one million sq ft URBN Distribution Center. One tour option will remain in Lancaster County to go to New Holland Haytools Plant, a wolf sanctuary, Mount Hope Winery, and Hershey Farms. You won’t go hungry as you will be treated to a lunch half way through your tour stops and then a dinner at one of the area’s amazing smorgasbords.

Friday, Dec 13 - This morning you will hear from the officer candidates at breakfast and then head out to our Lancaster County tour options. Lancaster County is home to the New Holland Haytools plant, Kreider Farms which features a high tech viewing of the dairy, Oregon Dairy Organics/Compost Facility, Lancaster Labs/Eurofin and Liberation Tiny Homes. There will also be many options for shopping with scheduled stops in Litzitz, one of the nations “coolest small towns”, Kitchen Kettle Village, Green Dragon Farmers Market, and/or Outback Toy Store. We will finish the evening with another scrumptious dinner and entertainment.

Saturday, Dec 14 — a) 8:00am – Ag Decision Makers College—Hear from local farmers and ag officials b) 10:30am Ag Communication Award should provide excellent insight to the new communication challenges facing agriculture c) 11:45 am – Salute to Pennsylvania and Officer Lunch d) 2:00pm – Final of Ag Communication Award e)4:00pm – Auction f) 6:30pm – Banquet and Entertainment!

Register On Line: www.nyfea.org or Mail Registration form to:

NYFEA: Box 20326, Montgomery, AL 36120 Deadline for preferred registration is 10/15/19.

Registration

Name(s): _____

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Address: _____

City, State and Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone: (____)____-____ (Registration will be confirmed utilizing email)

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NYFEA Attendance to all events: \$325 each # ____ @ \$325 = _____

Weekend Rate # ____ @ \$230 = _____

(great for those who want to get away for Friday / Saturday only)

NYFEA Daily Rate is \$120 each day Thursday # ____ @\$120 = _____

NYFEA Daily Rate is \$120 each day Friday # ____ @ \$120 = _____

NYFEA Daily Rate is \$120 each day Saturday # ____ @ \$120 = _____

NYFEA Student Rate is \$300 all events (no hotel rooms) # ____ @ \$300 = _____

NYFEA Student Rate for students sharing a room with at two other students (3 total) is

\$450 but includes hotel room for four nights. # ____ @ \$450 = _____

(Students must attend AG Decision Makers College & YALE on Saturday.

Students must be willing to share an assigned room if the room rate component is included)

Child Registration (under age 12) # ____ @ \$150 = _____

TOTALS DUE: _____





On behalf of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers and the 2019 NYFEA Institute Committee we invite you to attend the 2019 NYFEA Institute in Lancaster, PA, December 11–14, 2019. Our committee is working hard to provide the institute attendees with an educational and fun-filled time in Pennsylvania Dutch Country, which has some of the richest, most productive, non-irrigated soil in the world. The Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square is our host hotel, located in downtown Lancaster. There are many shops, restaurants, brew-pubs, the Central Market, and other attractions within walking distance. Plan to come in early or stay a few days later to really take in all that Lancaster County has to offer.

Delegates and the NYFEA Board of Directors will have their business meetings during the afternoon on Wednesday. Executive Secretaries will have an opportunity to have dinner together following the delegate session. Later in the evening (after you grab a light dinner) we will be hosting a Taste of Pennsylvania Welcome Reception where you will be able to sample some of the food products that are produced here in our state. To wrap up the night we will have our customary Ice Cream Social...complete with all the toppings!

The Keystone State ranks first nationally in mushroom production – farmers annually produce more than 570 million pounds of mushrooms. We have two mushroom farms on our tours for Thursday. We also have the “Tastiest Tour in Town” at the Herr’s Snack Factory. Be ready to eat some freshly made potato chips at the end of your tour. Those who choose the Herr’s tour will also go to the Herr Angus Farm which was born out of the necessity for a waste disposal system for the Herr Snack Factory. Cattle are fed potato peelings and rejected food products, in addition to cattle feed. The URBN Distribution Center is a 1 million square foot building that services their global collection of consumer brands (Urban Outfitters, Free People, Terrain, and Vertri Family) to their online customers. One group will remain in Lancaster County for a tour of the CNH-New Holland Hay and Forage plant, a visit to a wolf sanctuary, Mt Hope Winery, and Hershey Farms.

On Friday we will tour the Lancaster County area. At the New Holland Plant you will see their quality hay tools being manufactured. At Oregon Dairy’s innovative Organics/Compost Facility they take in excess manure from local farms and divert material from local landfills, turning them into useful high quality compost...turning trash into treasure while preventing runoff into streams and rivers. Kreider Farms is a working dairy farm that has taken extensive measures to share the real story about dairy farming. Their tour features a high-tech view of farming including a drive down the middle of their “Cow Palace” barn, a bird’s eye view of their milking carousel where they milk 1,700 cows 3 times a day. They also have a 100’ high silo observation tower that allows us an excellent view of the farm and surrounding landscape. Lancaster Labs began as a way to provide analytical service to agribusinesses and industries with 3 employees. Now Lancaster Labs/Eurofin, it employees 2,000 employees and is the largest single-site environmental lab facility in the United States. Think it would be fun to live in a Tiny House? Liberation Tiny Homes is another tour option...were you will see how these trendy homes are built. We will also provide time to shop at our unique array of shopping venues including Green Dragon Farmers Market (includes a hay and straw auction, small animal auction, and vendors of all sorts), Kitchen Kettle Village in Intercourse (40 distinct merchants, including their own yummy food items), and a tour of Lititz, recently named one of the Coolest Small Towns in America. You will have time to walk the streets of Lititz...visit the Moravian church square, Julius Sturgis Pretzel Bakery, Wilbur Chocolate Museum and store, and many specialty stores. Many of the tours will also include a stop at Outback Toys where you can do some Christmas shopping featuring lots of farm related toys.



As you can see we have many tours available. We are still finalizing the logistics, as many of the tour sites are limited in how many people they can take. After you register we will be contacting you to select your tour options. You can register at any time...tour option selection will begin early in 2019. Tour selection will be based on when the registrations are received...so register early. Tours are subject to change and we will be working toward utilizing as few buses as necessary. Our goal is to meet your needs while being cost effective.

You can begin booking your hotel rooms now. The Lancaster Marriott at Penn Square is a beautiful venue and they are currently undergoing renovations. When we arrive in December of 2019 there will be a new tower...a couple of new restaurants...a 3 season rooftop lounge...and more. The staff has been amazing to work with...we can't wait for you to join us there.

From the moment you arrive...until the time you leave you will be treated to scrumptious meals showcasing the culture of Pennsylvania Dutch Country. We are keeping our entertainment a secret...for now. You will want to follow our social media platforms to be kept up to date on all {the extras} we will offer our attendees. Be prepared to eat well and laugh often.

The Harrisburg International Airport is the designated airport for the institute. We will be providing attendees with transportation to the host hotel, on Wednesday Dec 11th, during specific times. We will be contacting all attendees to find out their transportation needs, so we can greet you the moment you arrive. There are other ways to get to Lancaster and we will be sharing those suggestions in our media blasts...stay tuned.

Plan to arrive early...or stay late (keep in mind that all of the Amish attractions/shops are closed on Sunday). We will have a listing of local attractions that you might want to see on your own. If there is enough interest in a particular attraction we can help line up transportation. Our optional tour site committee will be more than happy to assist you.

We have a Facebook page, **2019 NYFEA Institute, Lancaster PA – Pennsylvania Proud** that will be very active over the next year. Be sure to “like” the page so you can be kept up to date on all of the happenings with the 2019 NYFEA institute. We will also be using Instagram and Twitter. In today's world we can share things so much quicker, easier...and generally at no cost. We welcome your questions and comments, and will reply as soon as we are able.

Please, also feel free to contact either one of us personally at danwilkinson96@gmail.com or sannerfarm@aol.com.

We look forward to seeing you in Lancaster County!

Dan Wilkinson and Denise Sanner

2019 Institute Co-Chairs