

Ephrata Area Young Farmers – Newsletter January 2017

Upcoming EAYF Meetings for January 2017 thru March 2017 that have been scheduled at this time:

Feb. 4, 2017 Saturday	Doors open at 5:30 pm Dinner at 6:00 pm	Annual YF Banquet Location: Durlach & Mt. Airy Fire Hall Banquet Program: “Chalk Talk” by Elva Hurst
Feb. 21, 2017 Tuesday	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Educational Meeting Location: Ephrata High School Cafeteria Topic: Pesticide Update Training – Section 1 (2 category & 2 core credits) Speakers: Jeff Graybill & Guest Speaker TBA
Mar. 21, 2017 Tuesday	7:00 – 9:00 pm	Educational Meeting Location: Ephrata High School Cafeteria Topic: Pesticide Update Training – Section 2 (2 category & 2 core credits) Speakers: Jeff Graybill & Guest Speaker TBA
Aug. 5-10, 2017		Educational Tour “Made in Vermont”

Notes:

Officers Elected for 2017

The following were elected at the December meeting: President – Earl Martin, Vice President – Dan Fox, Secretary – Gerald Martin, Treasurer – Mike Nolt. Officers will be installed at the banquet in February.

Christmas Program Report

This year’s annual Christmas Program was held on Dec. 13, 2016 with a good crowd attending. The following pictures were taken at the Christmas Program in the Cafeteria of Ephrata High School showing the special music entertainment by the Martin Family Gospel Messenger Blue Grass Group. A **special** thank you to Ray Bollinger and Charlie Ackley for chairing this meeting. Three hundred and fifty-five dollars was raised for a needy family.



Dues & Banquet Form enclosed

The enclosed form (or attached by email) allows you to write one check for both the Young Farmer Dues and the YF Banquet. Dues remain the same as last year; however, the banquet will cost one dollar more due to a price increase from the fire company. The banquet is on Saturday, Feb. 4, 2017. **If you have an email address please print it clearly on the form. Also on the form, please circle the method by which you wish to receive your newsletter.**

Banquet tickets will not be mailed but a list will be at the door the night of the banquet. Order your tickets soon. We have scheduled an outstanding program for the banquet.

Please Note:

In the event that the School District closes school or school is dismissed early due to inclement weather, then any Young Farmer event scheduled at the High School will also be cancelled.

“Made in Vermont” Tour – Sat. Aug. 5 to Thur. Aug. 10, 2017 – Highlights

Day 1 – Welcome reception & dinner buffet – Middlebury Inn, Middlebury, VT

Day 2 – Tour Billings Farm and Museum – 270 acre operating Jersey dairy farm in Woodstock; next stop – lunch at the Bryant House & explore the Vermont Country Store in Weston; tour “Hildene” – the summer mansion of Robert Todd Lincoln followed by dinner at the Waybury Inn

Day 3 – Educational tours of the Dakin Farm (maple sugaring operation); next stop – Shelburne Farm & Inn (famous for making aged cheese); Lunch at Trapp Family Lodge, Stowe, VT; next is cider production at Cold Hollow Cider Mill; Ben & Jerry’s Ice Cream Factory is the final tour for the day

Day 4 – First stop, Birds of Vermont Museum; lunch at Millstone Lodge followed by a tour of Rock of Ages Granite Quarry; next is a tour of Cabot Creamery; finish the day aboard the Spirit of the Ethan Allen III for a delightful BBQ on the lake dinner

Day 5 – Tour the U.V.M. Morgan Horse Farm (birthplace of the Morgan horse); next explore the Addison County Fair & Field Days (Vermont’s largest agricultural fair)

Day 6 – Depart for home – returning about 4:30 pm

Price per person: Double: \$1314; Triple: \$1257; Quad: \$1228; Single: \$1659

For more detailed information, contact Diane Fox at 717-226-3321.

Please return registration form to with a \$200 deposit to:

Diane Fox
14 Meadow View Dr.
Ephrata, PA 17522

717-226-3321

Deadline for registration and payment: June 16, 2017

Ephrata Young Farmers - Vermont – August 5-10, 2017

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Special needs or requests: _____

Entrée Choices: Beef Roulade Grilled Salmon
 Bake Stuff Chicken Breast w/ Apple Cider Sauce

2017 EAYF Officers

President – Earl G. Martin – 717-733-4516
Vice President – Dan Fox – 717-733-1604
Treasurer – Mike Nolt – 717-738-4403
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