33rd Annual North Country Dairy Seminar & Trade Show

Thursday, November 15, 2018 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

The Inn At Whitefield
381 Lancaster Road, Whitefield, NH
(Route 3 north of the town of Whitefield)

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FEATURED SPEAKERS

Amanda Stone, PhD

Amanda Stone is from Greensburg Pennsylvania. She completed her BS Degrees in Animal Science and Biology from the University of Findlay in Ohio. She then went on to complete her MS and PhD at the University of Kentucky, where the focus of her research was on the effectiveness of using Precision Dairy Monitoring technologies to detect mastitis and fresh cow diseases. Dr. Stone started as an Assistant Professor and Extension Dairy Specialist at Mississippi State University in August 2016, where she works with producers everyday on troubleshooting problems and finding ways to improve their herds. She teaches two courses on campus and is heavily involved in youth dairy education. She also does applied research on MSU’s 200 head confinement herd and 50 head pasture herd, where an upcoming project will use technology to evaluate the effects of heat stress.

Dairy Farm Support Programs in Neighboring States - Panel Discussion

Jason Bowsza helped to develop the dairy support program in Connecticut. Catherine de Ronde administered Massachusetts’ dairy support program from 2013 to 2016, and was a part of the team that revamped the program’s regulations during that time.

Julie-Marie Bickford helped sponsor and get passed the Maine Dairy Stabilization Tier Program, and the Maine Dairy Improvement Fund program.

Shawn Jasper will discuss his proposal for New Hampshire dairy farmers.

AGENDA

MORNING

9:00 Trade Show Opens / Registration & Coffee

9:50 Welcome - Steve Turaj, UNH Cooperative Extension

10:00 Precision Dairy Monitoring Technologies: Should you check the cow or the computer? - Amanda Stone, Assistant Professor, Extension Dairy Specialist, Mississippi State University

- What technologies are available
- How they are being used and other possible uses
- When to invest based on cost and potential benefits
- Where this part of the industry might be heading in the future
- Why you might consider adopting them on your own farm - or why you may want to wait a bit longer

12:00 Lunch & Visit The Trade Show!

AFTERNOON

1:30 Coös County Farm Bureau, Scholarship Program, Coös FB Representative

1:45 Dairy Farm Support Programs in Neighboring States – Panel Discussion

- Jason Bowsza, Chief of Staff, Connecticut Department of Agriculture
- Catherine de Ronde, Economist, Agri-Mark Dairy Cooperative
- Julie-Marie Bickford, Executive Director, Maine Dairy Industry Association
- Shawn Jasper, Commissioner of Agriculture, NH DAMF

3:00 Questions & Answers, Other Announcements

3:15 Door Prizes & Adjourn

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