

THE PENNSYLVANIA WOMEN'S AGRICULTURAL NETWORK  
PRESENTS

# DAIRYING WITH HERITAGE BREEDS

HAMEAU FARM IN THE BIG VALLEY

6364 STATE ROUTE 655, BELLEVILLE, PA 17004 (MIFFLIN COUNTY)

SEPTEMBER 25, 2013

9:30 A.M.—3:30 P.M.



Join Gay Rodgers of Hameau Farm to learn about her Ayrshire herd and her efforts to build quality stock.

Participants will tour Hameau Farm in the beautiful Big Valley of Mifflin County.

Experience Gay's passion and love of the Ayrshire breed as she discusses the benefits of heritage breeds and qualities required for high scoring and show potential. Learn about key attributes when choosing genetics of superior quality.

Gay was raised with Ayrshires at Plum Bottom Farm and has worked with her father to locate some of the original milking line of her childhood farm.

Kathy Soder from the USDA Pasture Research Lab will lead participants on a pasture walk as she demonstrates proper pasture management to achieve better milk production and animal health.

Learn more about Hameau Farm in the Big Valley:  
<http://www.hameaufarm.com> or <http://bit.ly/1bfrSVE>

## AGENDA

- 9:30 a.m. Welcome & Introductions
- 9:45 a.m. **The Hameau Story & Farm Tour**—Gay Rodgers
- 11:00 a.m. **Pasture Walk: Managing Your Pasture for Good Nutrition**—Kathy Soder
- Noon Networking Lunch
- 1:00 p.m. **Choosing Your Genetics: What, Where & Why**—Dick Witter
- 2:00 p.m. **Building the Herd You Want**—Gay & John Rodgers
- 3:15 p.m. Evaluation
- 3:30 p.m. Adjourn

## REGISTRATION

Registration Fee: \$15

(includes lunch & materials)

Online Registration:

<http://agsci.psu.edu/wagn/events>

For additional details contact:

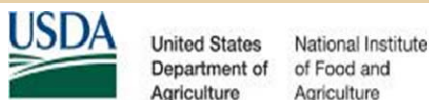
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All are welcome to participate in events  
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## DIRECTIONS

<http://bit.ly/Sep25Directions>



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