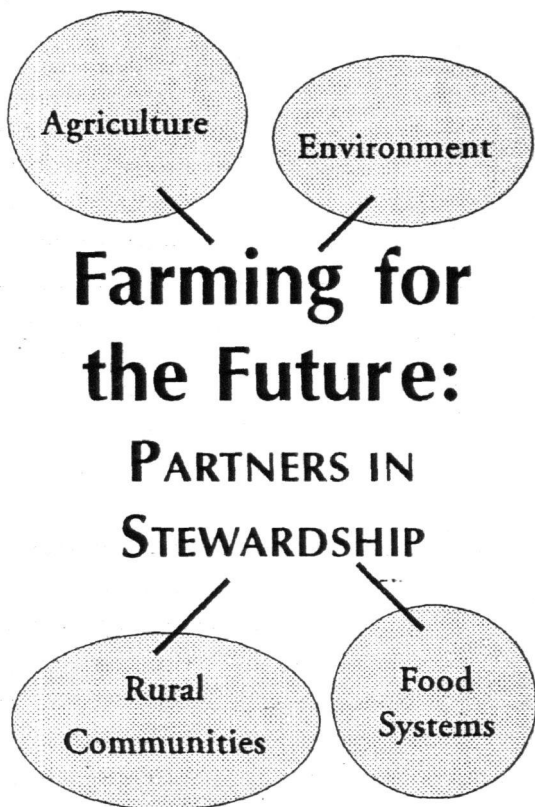


## CONFERENCE AGENDA



A conference to discuss concerns and create options for sustaining agriculture in our communities

**February 22-23, 1995**

**Sheraton University Inn and  
Conference Center  
Syracuse, New York**

# REGISTRATION FORM Farming For the Future: Partners in Stewardship

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Payment: (check one):  Full registration \$85\*  Wednesday only \$55\*  Thursday only \$35\*

Workshop Preferences (choose 1 per day)

I would like to be an exhibitor at the Resource Fair.  Please send information on co-sponsorship.

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\*Reduced registration available upon request on a first-come, first-serve basis. \*Copy this form for each registrant.

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## Schedule

### Wednesday, February 22

9:00 Registration  
9:45 Welcome  
10:00 Opening Panel Discussion  
12:00 Luncheon  
1:30-5:00 Concurrent Afternoon Workshops  
5:00 Resource Fair Exhibitors Available  
6:30 Banquet & Keynote Address

### Thursday, February 23

7:30 Breakfast  
8:30-12:00 Concurrent Morning Workshops  
12:00 Luncheon  
1:30 Summary Session  
3:30 Adjourn

## Sponsors

•Cornell Cooperative Extension •Agway •American Agriculturalist •Central NY Crop Management Association •College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University •Cornell Farming Alternatives Program •Finger Lakes Organic Growers Cooperative •NY Sustainable Agriculture Working Group •NY Chapter of Northeast Organic Farming Association •Northeast Program for Sustainable Agriculture and Education (SARE) •Natural Resources Conservation Service (SCS) •Cornell Pro-Dairy Program and others.

This conference grew out of the successful "Transitions Conference" series held from 1989-1994.

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

## Opening Panel

### Understanding Diverse Perspectives

#### Production Agriculture

Keith Eckle, *President, Penn. Farm Bureau*

#### Food Systems

Jennifer Wilkens, *Nutritional scientist, Cornell*

#### Environment

Greg Watson, *The Nature Conservancy*

#### Rural Communities

Jim Barney, *New York Dairy farmer*

#### Moderator

Gerald White, *Agricultural economist, Cornell*

## Afternoon Workshops

### 1 Can dairy farms coexist with clean water?

Rich Lewis, *NY Soil & Water Conservation Commission*

John Wildeman, *Soil & Water Conservation District, Bath, NY*

David Dodge, *NYS Dept. of Ag. & Markets*

### 2 Holistic Resource Management: a useful tool for land use planning?

Willie Gibson, *Vermont Cooperative Extension*

Judy Green, *Farming Alternatives Program, Cornell*

David Allee, *Local Government Program, Cornell*

Karl North, *Rural Enterprise Alliance Project*

### 3 Are fruits and vegetables safe to eat?

Donna Scott, *Food safety specialist, Cornell*

Marvin Pritts, *Small fruit specialist, Cornell*

Wendy Gordon, *Mothers & Others For A Livable Planet*

Robin Bellinder, *Weed scientist, Cornell*

Chris Edmonds, *Apple farmer, Alasa Farms*

Mike Hoffman, *Biological pest control, Cornell*

### 4 Can landscape plants be produced and managed sustainably?

George Good, *Ornamental Hort., Cornell*

Tom Weiler, *Greenhouse Crops, Cornell*

Scott Clark, *Nursery specialist,*

*Suffolk County Cooperative Extension*

Nina Bassuk, *Urban Horticulture Inst., Cornell*

David Chinery, *Horticulture Program Leader, Westchester County Cooperative Extension*

## Evening Banquet & Keynote

### Building the Bridge: Agriculture and the Environment.

Greg Watson, *Eastern Regional Director, The Nature Conservancy*

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

## Morning Workshops

### ① Innovative management & marketing options for cash grain production

Bill Cox, *Field crops specialist, Cornell*

John Meyer, *Organic cash grain producer*

Todd Roberts, *Cash grain producer*

Richard Corichi, *Organic grain buyer,  
Community Mill & Bean*

Klaas Martens, *Cash grain producer*

### ② What are the economic and environmental impacts of intensive rotational grazing?

Stuart Smith, *Agricultural economist, Cornell*

Rick Swenson, *Natural Res. Conservation Service*

Bill Tracy, *Manager, Sunrise Farms, 1300 stocker beef  
with rotational grazing*

Chuck Benson, *Dairy farmer milking 250 head  
with rotational grazing*

### ③ How does sustainable agriculture affect farm labor?

Tom Maloney, *Agricultural economist, Cornell*

Herb Engman, *Cornell Migrant Program*

Amy Machamer, *Hurd Orchards*

Velma Smith, *Rural Opportunities*

Aspacio Alcantara, *La Cooperativa*

### ④ Does nutrient management of fruit & vegetable production affect the environment?

Ian Merwin, *Orchard specialist, Cornell*

Warren Stiles, *Fruit nutrient specialist, Cornell*

Bob Poole, *Viticulturalist, Cornell*

Dick DeGraff, *Northeast Organic Farmers Assoc.*

Peter Minotti, *Vegetable fertility, Cornell*

Jim Barber, *Dairy & vegetable farmer*

### ⑤ Do new developments in federal, state and local agriculture policies promote sustainable agriculture?

Nelson Bills, *Agricultural economist, Cornell*

Greg Watson, *The Nature Conservancy*

Amy Little, *Campaign for Sustainable Agriculture*

Rick Zimmerman, *New York Farm Bureau*

Senator Randy Kuhl, *State Senate Ag. Committee*

David Dodge, *NYS Dept. of Ag. & Markets*

Tom Sanford, *Advisory Council for Agriculture &  
Farmland Protection Boards (AFPB)*

Rod Stetner, *Farmer & AFBP—Monroe County*

Tom Nally, *Monroe County Cooperative Ext.*

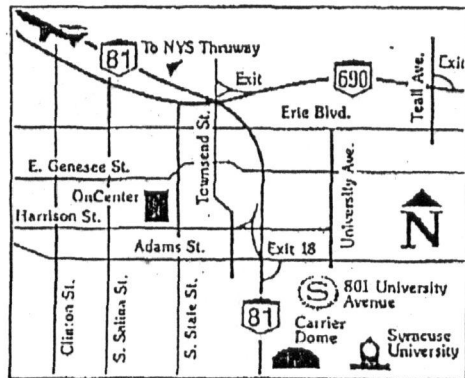
Elizabeth Henderson, *Farmer & AFBP—Wayne Co.*

## Summary Session

### Building Local Partnerships

David Deshler & Merrill Ewert, *Agriculture  
Extension & Adult Education, Cornell*

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