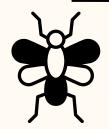
SALEM COUNTY

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March 2025

Molly English D'Onofrio



Salem County Pesticide Safety Meeting



The Salem County Pesticide Safety Meeting is scheduled for March 28th at the Ware Agricultural Complex on 51 Cheney Road, Woodstown from 9am until 2:15pm. The program starts at 9, please arrive earlier with your license number. There is no cost for this meeting, there is 1 hour allotted for lunch, but lunch will **not** be provided. Please register with Molly at 856-769-0090 or molly.english@salemcountynj.gov

Core: (Basic Safety & Handling) 03
1A: (Agricultural Plant) 04

Points available are provided below.

- 10 (Demonstration and Research) 02
- PP2 (Private Applicator Category) 04



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Topics include:

- Pesticide safety and regulation compliance
- Weed control
- Plant disease control
- Low-cost marketing strategies

- Preventing pesticide runoff
- Mycotoxins in forage crops
- Agricultural Safety in Salem County

Credits Applied for:

CORE, PP2, 1A, 3A, 3B, 6B, 10

Speakers and Lecture Descriptions are below.



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Salem County Pesticide Meeting 2025

Lecture descriptions

Pesticide Safety Update for 2025

George Hamilton, Ph.D. Rutgers Pest Management Office Extension Specialist in Pest Management

Overview of Federal and New Jersey Certification and Licensing Requirements for Private and Commercial Applicators. Federal certification for users of restricted use pesticides and New Jersey regulatory requirement for licensing of users of any registered pesticide, including organic products. Direct supervision of handlers and operators. Applicator recordkeeping. Pesticide labels. New Jersey Pesticide Information and Education System. Applicator resources.

Weed Control Update for Specialty Crops

Thierry Besançon Rutgers Cooperative Extension Extension Specialist in Weed Science

Update of weeds commonly impacting New Jersey agricultural crops, including highlights during the 2024 growing season. Presentation will include weed identification, chemical and non-chemical management strategies.

Update on Disease Control in Vegetable Crops

Andy Wyenandt Rutgers Cooperative Extension Extension Specialist in Vegetable Pathology

Update of plant diseases common to New Jersey agricultural crops, including highlights during the 2024 growing season. Presentation will include disease symptoms and signs, cultural and chemical management strategies, and impact of environmental stress on disease development.

Mycotoxins in Forage Crops and their Impact on Animal Performance

Tess Stahl, Ph.D. Rutgers Cooperative Extension Livestock and Dairy Extension Specialist

Overview of mycotoxins and how they affect feed quality and animal performance, including some information on silo and bale management.

Reducing Pesticides in Agricultural Runoff

Sal Mangiafico, Ph.D. Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Salem and Cumberland Counties County Agent and Associate Professor

Pesticide application practices and source control to prevent pesticide runoff from agricultural operations. Importance of following pesticide label instructions. Social considerations; Extent of the problem in surface water and groundwater; How do pesticides move offsite?; Preventing pesticide losses.

Low-budget Marketing Strategies

Claudia Gil Arroyo, Ph.D. Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Cape May County County Agent and Assistant Professor

Marketing trends for New Jersey agriculture. Low-cost strategies to address incorporate these trends in agricultural production in Southern New Jersey.

Agricultural Safety in Salem County

Robert DiGregorio Salem County Sheriff Office, Emergency Services Training & Operations Officer

Causing of accidents, injuries, and mishaps in Salem County agriculture. Safety procedures and considerations to prevent the accidents.

NRCS Working Lands for Wildlife presents Breakfast with Biologists March 27th, 2025 Woodstown

A meeting will be held on March 27, 2025, at the Woodstown Diner 16 E. Avenue, Woodstown, NJ at 7:00 am. There is a free buffet breakfast included with attendance. Speakers will discuss NRCS programs and funding opportunities for upland and wetland habitat restoration, enhancement and creation projects. Learn about NJ's target species, which include the American Black Duck, Northern Bobwhite Quail and Bog Turtle, and what projects can support their habitats.

RSVP by March 21st by contacting any partner biologist below:

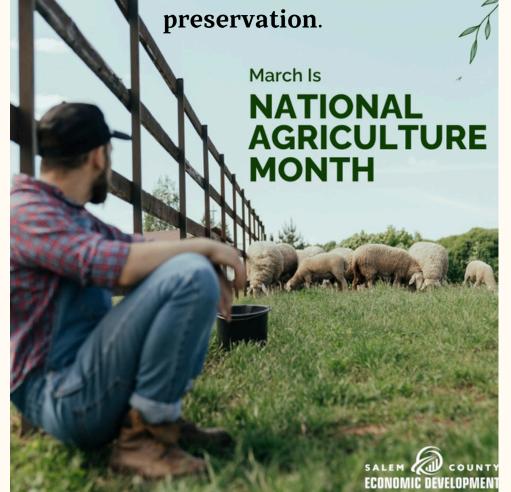
Ben Langey, Ducks Unlimited, 315-412-5272, blangey@ducks.org Alyssa Bright, NJ Audobon 609-400-3857 alyssa.bright@njaudobon.org

Hunter Ross, Pheasants/Quail Forever, 609-534-9475, Hunter.Ross2@usda.gov



March is National Agriculture Month!

Agriculture is a major part of Salem County's economy. It contributes millions of dollars annually through the production of crops, livestock, and dairy. The county is one of New Jersey's leading agricultural regions (producing over \$138,000,000 of product in 2022), with farming activities generating jobs and income for local families. Salem County is known for its diverse agricultural output, including crops like corn, soybeans, tomatoes, and peaches. It is also home to significant poultry farming, and its dairy industry is vital for local production. This diversity helps ensure the region's agricultural sustainability. Farming has been an integral part of Salem County's history and culture for generations. The traditions of farming are passed down through families, and local agricultural events, such as fairs and farmers' markets, continue to celebrate this heritage. In recent years, agriculture has been a driver of tourism to our county and is just one of many reasons why it's important to find balance in development and farmland



Salem County's Largest

YARD SALE APRIL 19, 2025

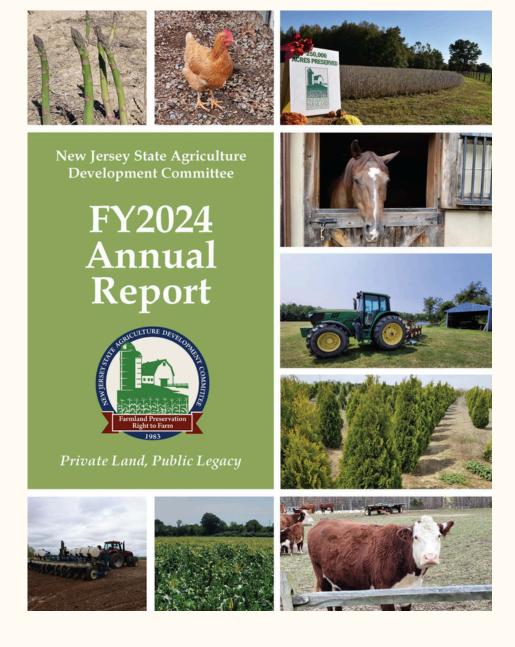
Saturday | 8am-3pm
Salem County Fairgrounds
735 Route 40, Pilesgrove, NJ 08098
(RAIN OR SHINE)

Spaces: 10x10 (indoor) \$50, 10x10 (indoor/climate controlled) \$70, 10x10 (outdoors) \$30, 10x20 (outdoors) \$50

To reserve a space contact Andy Ware 609-472-0256 or wareandy13@gmail.com

All proceeds benefit the Salem County 4th of July festival/fireworks





Are you curious about what farms were preserved in your neighborhood through the State Agriculture Development Committee (SADC) in our last fiscal year, FY2024 (July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024)?

Do you want to know what the SADC was up to in FY2024 to support agricultural development and the business of farming on preserved land, including updates on New Jersey's Farmland Preservation Program, Wildlife Fencing and Soil & Water Grants, Special Occasion Events, and Conservation and Right to Farm areas of the SADC?

Farmland Preservation Application Snapshot (as of 3.11.25)
- 173 active applications for preservation are moving through the process in our office, representing ~14,500 acres across the Garden State.
- ~51 of these applications are nearly ready or have been prepared to be

preserved; the landowners will receive an alternative easement value through the Statewide Farmland Preservation Formula, which will be available soon.



The Salem County Board of Agriculture

meeting will be held on

Monday March 17th, 2025, at 8:00 PM

at the Ware Building

Address: 51 Cheney Road, Woodstown, NJ

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Extension Office Telephone: (856) 769-0090

Congratulations to those listed below who received recognition at the Salem County Board of Agriculture "Friends of Agriculture" Dinner that was hosted on March 1st at the Elmer Grange Hall.

Awards & Recognition

Neil Robson Farmers Against Hunger Award
A.T. Buzby Form

2025 New Jersey Vegetable Grower of the Year
Brian Porch

National Outstanding Young Farmers of America Award Winner

Zach & Andrea Heiken

2025 Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award presented by the Salem County Board of Agriculture

Steve Williams











The NJ Department of Agriculture is now accepting applications for **2025** United States Department of **Agriculture Specialty Crop Block** Grants. Specialty crops include fruits, vegetables, tree nuts, horticulture, nursery crops and floriculture. Most of New Jersey agriculture falls under the specialty crop category. This USDA grant is for agricultural organizations that represent multiple producers. Please visit their website for more information.



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