# Farmer to Consumer: Your Road to Success

Date

Friday, February 10, 2012

Location

Hudson Valley Community College Bulmer Telecommunications Center 80 Vandenburgh Avenue, Troy NY

Time

8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Registration

\$40.00 before February 3, 2012 \$45.00 after February 3, 2012

Convene with marketing professionals to discover how to successfully market your products. Receive expert guidance on how to brand, package and sell your product based on growing trends in the marketplace. Learn about salesmanship, visual merchandising, marketing fundamentals, social networks and marketing channels. Network with farmers and buyers of local farm products in the region.

8:30 to 9:30 **Registration** 

9:30 to 10:00 Welcome Address

10:00 to 12:00 Your Image, Your Product and the Future

Bruce Baker

Small Business Marketing Consultant

12:00 to 1:30 Lunch / Tradeshow

1:30 to 2:30 Breakout Session 1

Auditorium: Show it! Sell it!

Room 1: Marketing Fundamentals

Room 2: Cultivating Online Connections

Room 3: Assessing Marketing Channels

2:30 to 3:00 **Networking** 

3:00 to 4:00 **Breakout Session 2** 

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### Your Image, Your Product and the Future

Bruce Baker, Small Business Marketing Consultant Is your brand reaching its full potential?

Is that brand and logo working with your packaging and the products you make or grow?

Discover the interconnection between these important elements.

- Understand the importance of effective packaging associated with your brand.
- Find out how customers' needs and desires have changed dramatically over the last decade.
- Learn current and future trends that will help you make (or grow) products that your customers want.

#### Show it! Sell it!

Bruce Baker, Small Business Marketing Consultant How can you display and sell your products to maximize your bottom line?

- Find out the latest methods to display products.
- Discover what works to increase your sales with powerful visual merchandising.
- Learn how to break a sale down into four critical elements.

#### **Marketing Fundamentals**

Kathleen Harris

Processing and Marketing Coordinator, Northeast Livestock Processing Service Company

- Learn about the six principals for a family farm to make it in the livestock business.
- Discover how a family can make a living on 20 sows, 200 ewes and 350 acres.

## Farmers and Customers Cultivating Online Connections

Stephen Judd

Manager of Information Technology and Distance Education, University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension

- What tools can you use to establish an online presence, make your enterprise discoverable and build relationships with your customers?
- Find out how websites, Google, blogs, Twitter Facebook, can connect you with customers.

### **Assessing Marketing Channels**

Matt LeRoux

Agriculture Marketing Specialist for the South Central NY Cornell Cooperative Extension Agriculture Team

- Discover how small, diverse fruit & vegetable growers can use the Marketing Channel Assessment Tool.
- Learn how to assess market channel performance by measuring five factors.

For more information call: 518-885-8995 Cornell Cooperative Extension of Saratoga County

Mail Registration form for Greater Capital Regi	on Farmers' Direct Marketing	Conference to: CCE	Saratoga County , 50 West High St., Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Date:			
First Name:			
Last Name:			
Title:			<u></u>
Farm/Business/Organization:			
Address			Registration Fee:
			Number of participants:
City:	State:	Zip:	Check Enclosed (total):
Phone:			
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