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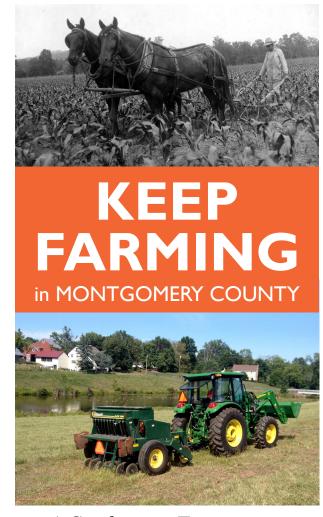




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A Conference Focusing on

Sustaining Farming for the Future

February 10, 2017

Franconia Heritage Restaurant - Banquet Hall

508 Harleysville Pike, Souderton, PA 18964

Please join us on **February 10** for our fifth conference...

Keep Farming in Montgomery County

This informative event will focus on major topics of interest to farmers, including getting ready for the next generation of farmers and the increasing role that local food plays in connecting to local businesses and institutions. The conference, another step in helping preserve farmland and the farming industry, is sponsored by the Montgomery County Board of Commissioners and the Montgomery County Agricultural Land Preservation Board, along with active cosponsors.

This free conference will run from 8:00 a.m. to approximately 3:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided along with coffee and snacks. We hope you can attend to hear about ideas that will help keep farming in Montgomery County!



Program

Registration is from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Introduction

Welcome

Keynote Address:

Farming in a New Economy

Morning Session I Options:

A. Emerging Marketplaces

Hear from leaders in the industry on new products that utilize local crops—and the new audiences they're attracting.

B. Soil Health

Learn about ways to improve your soil's health and about improved conservation efforts.

Scheduled Break

Morning Session 2 Options:

A. Farms in Transition

A look at how to prepare the farm for the next generation.

B. Integrating Local Food and Farming

Get to know organizations looking to link local food to those in need and how to connect the county's growers with a variety of buyers.

Lunch

Afternoon Session 1:

Marketing your Farm and Farm Products

Discover different methods to market your farm products.

Scheduled Break

Afternoon Session 2:

Funding Your Farm Operation

Learn about the various options available to fund projects on the farm.

Closing / Announcements

Registration

First Name	
Last Name	
Please list below any additional registrants	from this address
☐ Farm Owner ☐ Farm Operator ☐ F	Public Official
☐ Business ☐ Agency ☐ Other	
Organization/Agency/Business	
Farm Address	
City State	Zip
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Online Registration https://mcpc.ticketleap.com/kfc5

Space is limited and registration is required, so register soon! The deadline is **Wednesday**, **February 1, 2017**. If you have any questions, contact Danielle Weiden at 610-278-5239 or dweiden@montcopa.org.

Mail your form to:

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