

## Northeast Food Systems Forum, December 7-8, 2011, Beltsville, MD

| Name              | Contact Info  | E-mail             | Areas of Interests   |
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| Yao Afantchao     | Extension Agent, University of the District of Columbia<br>4200 Connecticut Ave. NW<br>Washington, DC 20008<br>PH 202-274-5419  | yafantchao@udc.edu | Ethnic and Specialty Crops   |
| Ben Beale         | Extension Educator-Agricultural Sciences<br>County Extension Director<br><br>University of Maryland Extension<br>St. Mary's County<br>Po Box 663<br>Leonardtown, MD 20650<br>301-475-4481 | bbeale@umd.edu     |  |
| Linda Kay Benning | Executive Director, Northeast Extension Directors<br>1307 New York Avenue, NW, Suite 400<br>Washington, DC 20005<br>PH 202-478-6065   | lbenning@aplu.org  |  |
| Debabrata Biswas  | Assistant Professor<br>Department Animal and Avian Sciences<br>University of Maryland<br>142 Animal Science Bldg. - Regent Drive<br>College Park, MD 20742<br>PH 301-405-3791             | dbiswas@umd.edu    | Foodborne Bacterial Pathogens and Safety   |
| Dennis Calvin     | Director, Penn State Cooperative Extension<br>Penn State University<br>323 Ag. Admin. Building<br>University Park, PA 16802<br>PH 814-865-4028  | ifa@psu.edu        |  |
| Shannon Dill      | County Extension Director<br>Extension Educator, AGNR<br>University of Maryland Extension<br>Talbot County  | sdill@umd.edu      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farm Marketing</li> <li>• Ag Business Management</li> <li>• Small Farms</li> <li>• New Enterprises</li> </ul> |

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| Charlotte Eberlein     | Extension Director<br>University of Idaho Extension<br>PO Box 1827<br>Twin Falls, ID 83303-1827<br>PH 208-736-3603   | ceberl@uidaho.edu             | How to expand the local food system effort in southwest Idaho in a systematic fashion. I'd like to learn about best practices developed in the northeast---what works, what doesn't work, etc.  |
| Kathryne (Kate) Everts | Extension Specialist, Vegetable Plant Pathology<br>University of Maryland<br>27664 Nanticoke Rd.<br>Salisbury, MD 21801<br>PH 410-742-8788                               | keverts@umd.edu               | Plant Pathology<br>Pest Management<br>Organic and Sustainable agriculture   |
| Mary Farrah            | Extension Agent<br>UDC Cooperative Extension Service<br>University of the District of Columbia, 4200 Connecticut Ave., NW<br>Washington DC, 20008<br>PH 202-274-6682     | mfarah@udc.edu                | Urban gardening<br>Ethnic and specialty crops   |
| Nancy L. Garrabrants   | Associate Director<br>Center for Agriculture<br>Slobody Building, Suite C1<br>101 University Drive<br>UMass Amherst<br>Amherst, MA 01002-2376<br>PH 413-545-4800         | n.garrabrants@umext.umass.edu | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Human Nutrition</li> <li>• Youth Development</li> <li>• Urban agriculture</li> </ul>   |
| Stephan Goetz          | Director/Professor<br>Northeast Regional Center for Rural Development (NERCRD)<br>7 Armsby Bldg., Penn State University,<br>University Park, PA 16802<br>PH 814-863-4656 | sgoetz@psu.edu                | As Director of The Northeast Regional Center for Rural Development, Stephan Goetz provides leadership for rural and community development research and extension activities across 13 states. Part of this responsibility includes linking state activities to regional and national initiatives. His current research focuses on applications of network science to problems of local and regional food systems development as well as economic development, including self-employment and |

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|                     |   |                                      | entrepreneurship. Goetz also serves as the Project Director of the NIFA-funded integrated grant “Enhancing the Food Security of Underserved Populations in the Northeast Through Regional Food Systems Development,” which includes 12 institutions across the region and representatives from 11 disciplines. The grant is funded in the amount of \$5 million (2011-2016). |
| Lillie Monroe Lord  | Head, Center for Nutrition Diet and Health<br>SNAP-Ed and EFNEP Coordinator<br>Cooperative Extension Service  | lmonroe@udc.edu                      |  |
| Ginger S. Myers     | Director, Maryland Rural Enterprise Development Center University of Maryland Extension Marketing Specialist<br>Western Maryland Research and Education Center<br>18330 Keedysville Road,<br>Keedysville, MD 21756<br>301-432-2767<br>Fax- 301-432-4089 | mredc.umd.edu<br>agmarketing.umd.edu |  |
| Ramu Govindasamy    | Professor, Rutgers – The State University of New Jersey<br>Dept of Agricultural, Food and Resource Economics<br>55 Dudley Road<br>New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8520<br>PH 732-559-0549   | govindasamy@aesop.rutgers.edu        | Ethnic produce, Marketing, Local produce, Direct Marketing, Organic produce  |
| William ‘Bill’ Hare | Associate Director<br>Cooperative Extension Service<br>University of the District of Columbia<br>4200 Connecticut Avenue<br>Washington, DC 20008<br>PH 202-274-7133   | whare@udc.edu                        | Improved production and marketing of ethnic crops as a niche opportunity to support small disadvantaged farmers.   |
| Cerruti R.R. Hooks  | Asst. Professor and Extension Specialist<br>University of Maryland  | crrhooks@umd.edu                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organic research</li> <li>• Sustainable agriculture/food production</li> </ul>  |

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|                  | 4112 Plant Sciences Bldg.<br>College Park, MD 20742<br>PH 301-405-4728  |                          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ecological Pest Management and Biological Control</li> <li>• Small farm community outreach</li> </ul>  |
| Luanne Hughes    | Family & Community Health Sciences<br>Educator<br>Rutgers Cooperative Extension<br>1200 N. Delsea Drive, Building A<br>Clayton, NJ 08312<br>PH 856-307-6450, ext. 2   | hughes@njaes.rutgers.edu | School wellness<br>Community supported agriculture/ community food systems<br>Farm-To-School<br>Food security<br>Youth farmstands<br>School gardens   |
| Jeff Hyde        | Associate Professor of Agricultural Economics, Penn State University<br>21B Armsby Building<br>University Park, PA 16802<br>PH 814-865-5666   | jeffhyde@psu.edu         | Marketing strategies for local foods, including extension education and applied research  |
| Diana L. Jerkins | National Program Leader<br>Agricultural Ecological Systems<br>USDA/NIFA/IBCE<br>Mail:1400 Independence Ave., SW<br>Stop 2241 Washington, D. C. 20250-2241<br>Express Mail: 800 9th St. SW Rm 3254<br>Washington, D. C. 20024<br>PH 202-401-6996     | djerkins@csrees.usda.gov |   |
| Lewis Jett       | Extension Specialist, Horticulture<br>West Virginia University<br>2102 Agriculture Building<br>P.O. Box 6108<br>Morgantown, WV 26506<br>PH 304-293-2634   | Lewis.Jett@mail.wvu.edu  | Horticulture; Season Extension of food crops  |
| Gordon Johnson   | Extension Fruit and Vegetable Specialist;<br>Assistant Professor<br>Department of Plant and Soil Sciences<br>University of Delaware<br>Carvel Research and Education Center<br>16483 County Seat Highway<br>Georgetown, DE 19947<br>PH 302-545-2397 | gcjohn@udel.edu          | Local food systems, agritourism, promotion of consumption of fresh local fruits and vegetables, produce food safety, farm to school programs, farm to institution programs, season extension for local producers. |
| Hiram Larew      | Director, Center for International Programs,<br>National Institute of Food and  | hlarew@nifa.usda.gov     |   |

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|                  | Agriculture, USDA<br>(NIFA's Liaison to the North East Region)<br>Room 2434, USDA Waterfront Center<br>800 9th Street SW<br>Washington, DC 20523<br>PH 202-720-3801 |                          |  |
| Calvin Lewis     | Research Associate<br>Center for Sustainability<br>University of the District of Columbia<br>4200 Connecticut Ave.<br>Washington DC 20008<br>PH 202-274-7163        | clewis@udc.edu           | Direct Food Marketing and Research, Sustainable Programs for Small Farmers, Leadership and Entrepreneur Programs   |
| Sudeep Mathew    | Extension Educator, Agriculture & Natural Resources<br>University of Maryland Extension<br>501 Court Lane, P. O. Box 299<br>Cambridge, MD 21613<br>PH 410-228-8800  | samathew@umd.edu         | Agronomy, High-Value Crop production (Potatoes, Aronia), Bio-fuel crops, Vegetable weed control, Agricultural Risk Management, Pesticide safety, handling and usage.                         |
| Tom McConnell    | Program Leader<br>WVU Extension Small Farm Center<br>2098 Ag Science, PO Box 6108<br>Morgantown, WV 26506<br>PH 304-293-2642  | trmcconnell@mail.wvu.edu | Growing farmers, farm to institution, youth involvement in growing food, sourcing events with locally grown food, food system and pathway development.                                       |
| Shirley Micallef | Assistant Professor<br>2126 Plant Sciences Building<br>University of Maryland<br>College Park, 20742<br>PH 301-405-4369   | smicall@umd.edu          | Food Safety, GAPs  |
| Nick Place       | Associate Dean & Associate Director<br>University of Maryland Extension<br>1202 Symons Hall<br>College Park, MD 20742<br>PH 301-405-2907                            | nplace@umd.edu           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Urban Food Systems</li> <li>• Ethnic Food Production</li> <li>• Food Systems Safety and Quality</li> <li>• Nutrition and Obesity Program</li> </ul> |
| Abani K. Pradhan | Assistant Professor<br>Department of Nutrition and Food Science<br>and Center for Food Safety and Security Systems  | akp@umd.edu              | Food Safety, Quantitative Risk Assessment, Risk Analysis, Food Safety Engineering, Predictive Microbiology, and Molecular Epidemiology   |

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| Daniel Rossi                 | Executive Director, NERA<br>Northeastern Regional Assoc. of State<br>Agric. Experiment Station Directors<br>Foran Hall Rm. 363, 59 Dudley Road<br>New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8520<br>PH 732-932-9375 x337 | rossi@aesop.rutgers.edu       |   |
| Ken Schlater                 | Executive Director<br>Cornell University<br>Tompkins County<br>615 Willow Avenue<br>Ithaca, NY 14850<br>PH 607-272-292   | Ks47@cornell.edu              | Food systems  |
| Adel Shirmohammadi           | Associate Dean for Research & Assoc.<br>Director of MAES<br>1201 Symons Hall<br>University of Maryland<br>College Park, MD 20742<br>PH 301-405-2459  | ashirmo@umd.edu               |   |
| Doolarie (Dee) Singh-Knights | Extension Assistant Professor – West<br>Virginia University<br>2038 Agricultural Sciences<br>PO Box 6108<br>Morgantown, WV 26506-6108<br>PH 301-293-7606   | Dosingh-knights@mail.wvu.edu  | Agritourism, local food systems and sustainable agriculture, farm management and economics  |
| Litha Sivanandan             | Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist<br>(Food Safety and Food Preservation)<br>West Virginia University Extension Service  | litha.sivanandan@mail.wvu.edu | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Food Safety</li> <li>2. Food Processing</li> <li>3. Food Business</li> </ol>  |

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| Sue Snider            | Food Safety and Nutrition Specialist<br>University of Delaware<br>531 South College Ave.<br>044 Townsend Hall<br>Newark, DE 19716<br>PH 302-831-2524                                     | snider@udel.edu            |   |
| Jon Traunfeld         | Extension Specialist<br>Director, Home and Garden Information<br>Center<br>State Master Gardener Coordinator<br>12005 Homewood Road<br>Ellicott City, MD 21042<br>PH 410-531-5556        | jont@umd.edu               | I think it is important to fully integrate<br>community food production into regional food<br>system programs.<br>My specific interest areas are- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• community food production (backyard,<br/>community, school, public gardens)</li> <li>• fruit and vegetable IPM</li> <li>• social media</li> <li>• training Master Gardeners to teach and<br/>promote food gardening</li> </ul> |
| Elizabeth Tuckermanty | National Program Leader<br>Institute of Food Safety and Nutrition<br>USDA-National Institute of Food and<br>Agriculture<br>Washington, DC 20024<br>PH 202-205-0241                       | etuckermanty@nifa.usda.gov | Local and regional food systems; farmers' market<br>promotion, Consumer supported agriculture,<br>linkages between institutions and farmers, and<br>sustainable agriculture.  |
| Rick VanVranken       | Agricultural Agent<br>County Extension Department Head<br>Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Atlantic<br>County<br>6260 Old Harding Hwy.<br>Mays Landing, NJ 08330-1553<br>PH 609-625-0056 | vanvranken@rce.rutgers.edu | Specialty and ethnic vegetable and herb<br>production and marketing; food systems; farm<br>viability and sustainability; wholesale/retail<br>marketing  |
| Charlie White         | Sustainable Agriculture Extension<br>Associate, Penn State University  | cmw29@psu.edu              | Greenhouse production of specialty crops on non-<br>traditional sites (disturbed lands, rooftops, urban   |

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|                        | 501 ASI Building<br>University Park, PA 16802<br>PH 814-863-9922  |                            | areas)<br>Specialty grain crops |
| Jennifer Ours Williams | Director, Agric. and Natural Resources,<br>West Virginia Univ. Extension Service<br>2080 Agricultural Sciences Building<br>P. O. Box 6108<br>Morgantown, WV 26506-6108<br>PH 304-293-2560 | jowilliams@mail.wvu.edu    | Production and Marketing        |
| Allison Yates          | Associate Area Director<br>USDA-ARS-BARC<br>West Building 3 Room 223<br>10300 Baltimore Avenue<br>Beltsville, MD 20705<br>PH 301-504-5193   | allison.yates@ars.usda.gov |                                 |