

Growing Green Maximizing Grazing for Maximum Benefit

Learn how to treat your pasture like the cash crop it is; tips and tools from experienced grazers

WORKSHOP & PASTURE WALK

APRIL 18, 2024
10 A.M. - 2 P.M.

Montour Preserve

374 Preserve Road Danville, PA 17821

Watson Hartman LLC

Register with Beth @ Columbia County Conservation District by **April 4th** by calling 570-317-9456

Event registration \$10.00

Light lunch will be provided



Experienced grazers, Dave Hartman and Russ Wilson will share their experiences, tips, and hacks they have compiled with their years of combined experience as they demonstrate success with adaptive grazing. The afternoon will consist of a pasture walk. Please be prepared with appropriate attire. Biosecurity measures will be practiced.

RUSS WILSON

Russ Wilson owns and manages a 220 acre adaptive grazing system in NW PA where livestock are pastured over 300 days per year. With more than 40 years of practical experience in agriculture he has learned how proper forage management and species diversity can pay dividends for livestock production and soil health. Russ employs a low input and skillful management approach to make sure the farm delivers profitability and provides an enjoyable place to work.

DAVE HARTMAN

Dave Hartman grew up on a general crops and livestock farm in central PA. He has a bachelor's degree in animals production and a mater's degree in forage agronomy from Penn State University. He began working for Penn State Extension in 1985 and retired in 2023 after a 38-year career in agricultural extension in central PA. He is currently working part-time as program coordinator for the Pennsylvania Grazing Lands Coalition.

Mr. Hartman is owner/operator of Watson Hartman LLC, a grass-based livestock operation. The enterprises include a small herd of Octorara-influenced Angus cows, wholesale grass-finished beef for a regional branded program and a small flock of Katahdin sheep for wholesale grass-finished lamb. The farm started in 2001 and involved converting a tract of land to active grazing after it was in CRP for 10 years.

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