### THURSDAY

**8:30** Welcome and Overview of the Day

**8:45** **Breakout Sessions:**
- **Room 1)** Do You Have a Dairy Genetic Plan?—Amos Nolt, Jon Bansen, and Jonas Yoder
- **Room 2)** Produce Foundation: Soils with Stephan Eash
- **Room 3)** The Organic Home—Ladies Panel and Introduction to the Home Tables

**10:00** Vendor Show/Morning Break

**10:30** **Breakout Sessions:**
- **Room 1)** Is Your Farm Suited for Raising Sheep?—Leroy Kuhns
- **Room 2)** The Challenges of the Organic Marketplace—Preston Green
- **Room 3)** The Organic Home—Homemade Noodles

**11:45** Lunch and Vendor Show

**1:00** **Key Note Speaker:** Planning for Healthy Soils—Reinvigorating Soil with Cover Crop—Jon Bansen

**2:15** Vendor Show

**2:35** **Breakout Sessions:**
- **Room 1)** Farmer Panel: Producing High Quality Forage—Dennis Wood, Jonathon Yoder, Marcus Schlabach and Moderator Scott Myers
- **Room 2)** Weed Control and Diseases in Produce—Stephan Eash
- **Room 3)** The Organic Home—Getting Your Children Interested in Nature

**3:30** Dismiss

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### FRIDAY

**8:30** Welcome and Overview of the Day—Has Your Plan Changed?

**8:45** **Key Note Speaker:** Planting for Pollinators and Habitat on Your Farm—Stephanie Frischie

**10:00** Vendor Show/Morning Break

**10:30** **Breakout Sessions:**
- **Room 1)** Figuring Out Sheep Raising, Organically—John Anderson and Kathy Bielek
- **Room 2)** It is More Than Putting Seeds Into the Ground—Family Farm Fresh Coop

**11:45** Lunch and Vendor Show

**1:00** **Room 1)** Farmer’s Round Table Discussion on What Worked for Them and What Didn’t—Jeff Miller, Levi Raber, Joseph Yoder, Leroy Oberholtz, Jon Bansen, David Erb, Adam Yoder, and Scott Myers
- **Room 3)** The Organic Home—Home Food Drying and Easy-Sewing Projects and Demonstrations

**2:15** Vendor Show

**2:30** **Breakout Sessions:**
- **Room 1)** Audience Q & A Session on Farmer Roundtable Comments
- **Room 2)** Pollinators in Your Fence Row and Roadsides—Guy Denny
- **Room 3)** The Organic Home: Wool Spinning—Karen Gotter and local Spinning Guild Members

**3:30** Dismiss

### The Organic Home:
- Wool Spinning and Knitting
- Crocheting
- Homemade Noodles
- Drying Fruits and Vegetables
- Making Animal Birthday Cakes
- Easy-Sewing Projects
- Getting Your Children Interested in Nature

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**Registration:**
- One Day: $20 per person
- Two Days: $30 per person
- ($10 more after Oct. 23)

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Key Note Speakers

Jon Bansen—
Planning for Healthy Soils

Jon, along with his wife Juli, owns Double J Jerseys, Inc., a certified Organic Jersey cow dairy operation in Monmouth, Oregon. They currently milk 160 Jerseys on their farm and market their milk as part of the Organic Valley Cooperative. Bansen is a fourth-generation Jersey dairy farmer, and many of his siblings and cousins are also in the industry. Jon and Juli started their own dairy, Double J Jerseys, in 1991. In 2017, the Bansen’s switched to full-time grass feed for his herd of 160 cows and 150 heifers. Their 100 percent grass-fed milk is sold under Organic Valley’s “Grassmilk” brand.

Progress and learning and continuing education are important to Bansen, and it’s his favorite part of being a dairy farmer.

Stephanie Frischie—
Planning for Pollinators and Pollination on Your Farm

Stephanie Frischie, Ph.D., Agronomist / Native Plant Materials Specialist, The Xerces Society for Invertebrate Conservation

- Did you know there are over 4,000 species of native bees in North America?
- Pollination is crucial to our food supply and there has been a steady decline and species threatened to extinction in insects and other pollinators recently.
- How can we do our part in helping bees, bats, birds, and other insects survive and thrive?

Our Mission is to:
Care about humans and humus; encourage working the land for future generations; and support community life and stewardship that is prosperous and enduring.

We do this by:
- Promoting growing practices that conserve, renew, and improve our soils; to provide healthy food for the well-being of families, communities, and all inhabitants that share our farms and land.
- Advocating a way of farming that offers products for the markets that are nutritious, wholesome, and delicious.
- Building a local agriculture with practices that benefit our rural and urban communities.

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Having a Plan