

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

11:00 AM	Registration Opens: the 33rd Annual GrassWorks Grazing Conference has begun!	Grand Ballroom Lobby
1:00 PM	33rd Annual Conference Kick Off Welcome by Deb Jakubek, GrassWorks Board President Weekend Conference preview by Rachel Bouressa.	Grand Ballroom
2:00 PM	Transit time: Find your breakout room!	-
2:15 PM	BREAKOUTS AgriVoltaics for Grazing Cattle Farms presented by Brad Heins	Laguna Vista (Upstairs)
	Solar Grazing Panel moderated by Asher Maliepaard, Billy Bope, Ed Baptista, Olivia Halibur, Will Fulwider, Josephine Trolepe	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	What Should I Plant in My Pasture presented by Jason Cavadini →1 CEU CM	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	Back to the Basics: 5 Principles for Successful Managed Grazing presented by Laura Paine →1 CEU CM	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
3:15 PM	Break in the Tradeshow area - come say hello to our exhibitors!	Tradeshow
3:45 PM	BREAKOUTS Keys to Finishing on Grass Only presented by Rod Ofte	Laguna Vista (Upstairs)
	Grazing Native Prairie: Grazing Pollinator Habitat Without Losing Animal Performance presented by Micah Kloppenburg, Joshua Mechaelsen →1 CEU PM	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	Custom Heifer Grazing Do's and Don'ts moderated by Aaron Pape	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	Certified Organic: A Roundtable Discussion presented by Ariana Abbrescia →1 CEU SSP	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
4:45 PM	Happy Hour Enjoy some drinks and snacks in the Tradeshow. Cheers!	Tradeshow
6:00 PM	Dinner is served! Family Style Meatloaf Dinner! You must have a ticket to get a meal.	Riverview
7:30 PM	Evening Entertainment GrassWorks Jam Session, led by Drew Carlson	Grand Ballroom

Get CEUs!

Look for this notation → 1 CEU in the schedule to see which sessions qualify for Continuing Education Units.

Here is a key for the codes:

- Crop Management (CM)
- Integrated Pest Management (IPM)
- Nutrient Management (NM)
- Precision Ag (PA)
- Professional Development (PD)
- Soil & Water Management (SW)
- Sustainability (SUS)

Are you a dairy producer?

We need your help! Pollinator Partnership is leading a project to learn more about the challenges and benefits of including pollinator-friendly management practices on dairy farms. We want to understand more about the barriers to adopting new practices, what resources are needed, and what practices are working well. Your participation will help in the development of resources that benefit both dairy producers and pollinators.

Please join us*
Friday 1/24 at 1pm
in the Laguna Vista room
for a group discussion on the future of pollinator-friendly management practices on dairy farms. Cookies and refreshments will be served.

*Limited to 20 participants.

You can also share your thoughts through our online survey. Follow the QR code.



Pollinator Partnership is conducting this project made possible through a Partner Grant from Monarch Joint Venture and U.S. Forest Service International Programs.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 24

7:00 AM	Registration Opens + Coffee + Small Snacks	Grand Ballroom Lobby
8:30 AM	Welcome	Grand Ballroom
9:00 AM	The Power of People, Pollinators and Prairies inspirational keynote with Abigail Derby Lewis	Grand Ballroom
10:00 AM	<i>Stretch + transit time: Find your breakout room!</i>	-
10:15 AM	BREAKOUTS Scaling Pastured Broiler Chickens presented by Aaron Pape	Laguna Vista (Upstairs)
	Beginner Grazing 2.0: Managed Grazing Infrastructure presented by Adam Abel →1 CEU CM	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	Focus on Fertility: Soils & Grazing Plans presented by Michael Geissinger and Shawn O'Connell- →1 CEU NM	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	Conservation Grazing on Public Land Panel presented by Mary C. Anderson	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
11:30 AM	Lunch is served! BBQ pork sandwiches with all the fixin's and picnic sides. <i>You must have a ticket to get a meal.</i>	Grand Ballroom
12:00 PM	GrassWorks Annual Meeting <i>Catch up on what our non-profit membership organization is up to.</i>	Riverview
1:00 PM	CONNECTIONS! Pollinator Partnership Focus Group	Laguna Vista (Upstairs)
	Round Table Session- Come ask select presenters your one on one questions	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	Grazing Mentorship Program Meet & Greet- INDIVIDUALS WHO INTERESTED IN BEING OR ARE ALREADY MENTORS OR MENTEES FOR THE GRAZING MENTORSHIP PROGRAM ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THIS SESSION!	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	NRCS/TSP Training	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
2:00 PM	<i>Break: Visit the Tradeshow vendors and enjoy small snacks</i>	Tradeshow
2:30 PM	BREAKOUTS Graziers Math: The Foundation of Resilience by Design presented by Laura Paine and Brooke Patrick →1 CEU CM	Laguna Vista (Upstairs)
	Adding Agritourism to Your Operation presented by Chaz Self	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	The Economic Benefits of Multi-Species Enterprises presented by Jordan and Rachelle Meyer	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	Lightning Presentations #1 moderated by Jason Cavadini →.5 CEU SW, .5 PM	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
3:30 PM	<i>Break: Mix and mingle in the Tradeshow!</i>	Tradeshow
4:00 PM	BREAKOUTS Grazing 2050 presented by Rod Ofte	Laguna Vista (Upstairs)
	The State of Bale Grazing in Wisconsin presented by Jason Cavadini →1 CEU SW	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	Putting Grazing Dairy Research to Work presented by Brad Heins	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	The Next Generation Farmer presented by Brooke Patrick →1 CEU PD	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
5:00 PM	Happy Hour <i>Join your fellow graziers in the Tradeshow to chat about what you've learned so far!</i>	Tradeshow
6:00 PM	Grazing Advocate Award + Dinner is served! Braised grass-fed beef tips with mushrooms, mashed potatoes, and green beans. Served family style! <i>You must have a ticket to get a meal.</i>	Riverview
7:30 PM	Evening Entertainment <i>GrassWorks Karaoke! Led by Drew Carlson</i>	Grand Ballroom

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25

7:00 AM	Registration Opens + Coffee Service	Grand Ballroom Lobby
8:00 AM	Keynote Talk with Dick and Eric Cates, Cates Family Farm	Grand Ballroom
9:00 AM	Break: Visit the Tradeshow or get your complimentary headshots taken in the Grand Ballroom Lobby	Tradeshow
9:30 AM	Farmer Care Standards presented by Deb Jakubek and Thomas Moos	Laguna Vista(Upstairs)
	Exciting Audubon Conservation Ranching Developments presented by Ashly Steinke, Krysten Zummo →1 CEU SSP	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	Keynote Q&A and Book Signing presented by Dick and Eric Cates	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	Current Grazing Research presented by David Jaramillo, Marta Moura-Kohmann, Arthur Franco, Lais Lima →1 CEU CM	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
10:30 AM	Break	-
11:00 AM	Managed Grazing: An Economic Winner for Ruminant Agriculture presented by Jim Munsch	Laguna Vista(Upstairs)
	Match Made in Heaven: How Midwestern Farmers Maximize the Benefits of Livestock and Crop Integration presented by Laura Paine →1 CEU CM	Upper Dells Ballroom (Upstairs)
	All About the Details presented by Dr. Greg Brickner, DVM	Grand Ballroom (Main Floor)
	Lightning Presentations #2 moderated by Alex Steussy-Williams →.5 CEU SW, .5 CM	Sierra Vista (Upstairs)
12:00 PM	Lunch + Closing Remarks with Deb Jakubek Grass-fed burger buffet with cottage fries and all the fixings! <i>You must have a ticket to get a meal.</i>	Riverview
1:00 PM	Ice Cream Social Join us for ice cream and brownies before heading home!	Riverview

JOIN THE GRASSWORKS LIVESTOCK GRAZIER



Mentorship Program

The GrassWorks Livestock Grazier Mentorship Program is a one-year program that helps beginning graziers develop essential skills through one-on-one mentoring with experienced graziers. Applications are open year-round with the first cohort of 2025 scheduled to start in February. To participate, mentees must have access to land and livestock and mentors must have at least 5 years of managed grazing experience.

APPLY AT:
grassworks.org/programs/mentorship-program/



**BE SURE TO ATTEND THE
MENTORSHIP PROGRAM
SESSION ON FRIDAY AT 1PM
TO LEARN MORE!**