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THE CONNECTICUT FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

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The Connecticut Food Policy Council (CFPC) was established in 1997 through Connecticut General Statutes [Section 22-456](#), making it the first state in the nation to legislate such a council. The law places the CFPC within the Connecticut Department of Agriculture for administrative purposes.

The council's statutory charges are as follows:

1. Develop, coordinate and implement a food system policy linking local economic development, environmental protection and preservation with farming and urban issues.
2. Review and comment on any proposed state legislation and regulations that would affect the food policy system of the state.
3. Advise and provide information to the Governor on the state's food policy.
4. Prepare and submit to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to the environment an annual report concerning its activities with any appropriate recommendations concerning food policy.

Membership is made up of representatives from the state, private, and academic sectors. Voting state agency representatives include the commissioner or his or her designee from the following departments: Agriculture, Administrative Services, Education, Public Health, Social Services, and Transportation.

Other voting members are appointed by specific leaders of the Connecticut General Assembly and represent agriculture or agricultural organizations (two members), an anti-hunger organization, a food retailer, a produce wholesaler, and University of Connecticut Cooperative Extension. This wide range of expertise has allowed different agencies to work together towards common goals.

Over the years, the council has been involved in the creation of many important programs, including the Connecticut Farm Map and EBT technology for SNAP benefit redemption at farmers' markets.

In *Closing the Food Gap: Resetting the Table in the Land of Plenty*, author Mark Winne, longtime director of Hartford Food System and original advocate for and member of the CFPC, states "Perhaps the Connecticut Food Policy Council's most important role is to serve as a place where the state's food system experts and representatives, in both the private and public sectors, can sit down together, develop mutual trust, and identify where the food system needs strengthening."

The council has also played a helping hand in the formation of other organizations such as the Working Lands Alliance and the Connecticut Farmland Trust.

Another ripple effect of the CFPC is the birth of many local food policy councils across Connecticut. Some councils work within town lines, while others take a more regional approach. Some require town residency in order to become a council member; some are open to all. These local councils have had many accomplishments including the formation of community gardens, farm-to-school programs, farmers' markets, events, and more.

To bring these local food councils together around common goals, the Connecticut Food Policy held a forum on October 17, 2013. The goal shared by all is to strengthen Connecticut's food system by increasing the access to healthy foods and preserving and increasing the production of healthy foods in the state.

The event's keynote speaker was Mark Winne, who served as a member of the CFPC when it was created. Today Mark works with Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future as a senior adviser in addition to writing, speaking, and consulting extensively on community food systems.

He talked briefly about his career and experience working to shape food policy, and then moved to an interactive discussion.

Together the different councils shared their ideas, difficulties, and achievements with one another and with municipalities looking to form local food policy councils.

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**WHOLESALE MUSHROOMS
U.S. GROWN**

	Low	High
OYSTER,5lb	18.00	20.00
PORTBLLA 6/6oz	10.00	12.00
PORTBLLA,caps,5lb	7.50	7.50
SHIITAKE,3lb,lg	14.00	15.00
WHITE,10/10oz	11.50	11.50
WHITE,10lb.lb	16.50	16.50

NEW HOLLAND, PA, HOG AUCTION

Sold by actual weights; prices quoted by hundred wt.

		Low	High
49-54	220-300 lbs	68.00-73.00	
	300-400 lbs	69.00-74.00	
45-49	220-300 lbs	62.00-67.00	
	300-400 lbs	65.00-68.00	
Sows: US 1-3	300-500 lbs	60.00-68.00	
	500-700 lbs	67.00-73.00	
Boars:	300-700 lbs	24.00-26.00	

PA GRADER FEEDER PIGS

Lancaster, PA, per cwt.
November 4, 2013

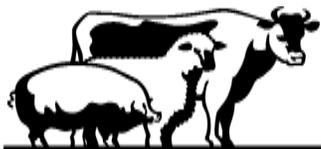
	Low	High
Gr US 1- wt20-40	100.00	130.00
Gr US 2 wt15-20	140.00	140.00
wt20-30	70.00	95.00
wt30-40	60.00	90.00

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, November 4, 2013

Live animals brought the following ave. prices per cwt.

	Low	High
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	18.00	25.00
61-75 lbs.	45.00	50.00
76-90 lbs.	60.00	65.00
91-105 lbs.	70.00	82.50
106 lbs. & up	90.00	100.00
Farm Calves	120.00	260.00
Starter Calves	35.00	45.00
Veal Calves	85.00	160.00
Open Heifers	75.00	100.00
Beef Steers	59.50	114.00
Beef Heifers	78.00	127.50
Feeder Steers	70.00	75.00
Stock Bulls	85.00	120.00
Beef Bulls	83.00	98.00
Boars	1 at	10.00
Sows	50.00	61.00
Butcher Hogs	90.00	130.00
Goats each	50.00	260.00
Kid Goats	25.00	65.00
Canners	up to	75.50
Cutters	76.50	79.50
Utility Grade Cows	80.00	85.50
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Replacement Cows	one at	800.00
Rabbits each	4.00	25.00
Chickens each	3.00	35.00
Ducks each	6.00	40.00
Feeder Pigs	37.50	50.00
Lambs	30.00	205.00
Sheep	20.00	120.00



**WHOLESALE FRUITS & VEGETABLES
NEW ENGLAND GROWN**

(Boston Terminal and wholesale grower prices)

	Low	High
ALFALFA SPRT,5lb	14.00	14.00
APPLE,crtnd,12/3lb,fcy	20.00	22.00
APPLE,empr,xfcy,80ct	28.00	28.00
APPLE,fuji,bu	22.00	22.00
APPLE,hnycrsp,100ct,fcy	26.00	28.00
APPLE,mcn,8/5-lb,tote	24.00	24.00
APPLE,mcn,96ct,xfcy	25.00	26.00
APPLE,mcntsh,12/3lb,2 1/4"	18.00	22.00
APPLE,mcntsh,no1,140ct	16.00	77.00
APPLE,nrthspy,bu	18.00	18.00
APPLE,spenser,bu	18.00	22.00
BROCCOLI,14 cut crown	20.00	20.00
CABBAGE,grn,50lb,bag	10.00	11.00
CIDER,9/.5gal	18.00	18.00
COLLARDS,12s	12.00	15.00
CRANBERRY,24/12oz	33.00	36.00
KALE,12s	10.00	12.00
PARSNIP,18/1lb	23.00	23.00
PARSNIP,25lb	22.00	22.00
PEAR,bsc, 4/5bu	24.00	26.00
POTATO,10lb	2.25	2.30
POTATO,CHF,50lb	12.00	13.00
POTATO,szA,50lb	12.00	13.00
RUTABAGA,50lb	16.00	16.00
SQUASH,acrn,1 1/3bu,lg	16.00	17.00
SQUASH,acrn,1 1/3bu,md	12.00	13.00
SQUASH,bttrnt,1 1/3bu,md	16.00	17.00
SQUASH,bttrnt,1 1/3bu,sm	12.00	14.00
SQUASH,spgthti,1 1/3bu,md	20.00	20.00
TURNIP,prpl,25lb	10.00	10.00
TURNIP,wht,bu	25.00	26.00

SHIPPED IN

SWT POTATO,40lb,NJ	20.00	20.00
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**RETAIL DAIRY
NORTHEAST U.S.**

	Low	High
BUTTER,1lb	1.99	3.69
CHEESE,natrl var.,8oz	1.79	2.99
CHEESE,natrl var.,no1,blck	1.98	4.29
CHEESE,natrl var.,8oz,shrd	1.99	3.49
COTTAGE CHEESE,16oz	1.00	2.99
CREAM CHEESE,8oz	1.25	2.48
MILK,flvrd,1/2gal	1.99	2.50
MILK,flvrd,gal	3.00	4.99
ICE CREAM,48-64oz	1.99	3.50
SOUR CREAM,16oz	1.29	1.69
YOGURT,Grk,4-6oz	.98	1.25
YOGURT,Grk,32oz	4.49	4.49

PA LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

November 8, 2013
Average Dressing

SLAUGHTER COWS:		
breakers 75-80% lean	72.00	77.00
boners 80-85% lean	70.00	75.00
lean 85-90% lean	66.50	71.00
CALVES graded bull		
No.1 80-120lbs	117.00	160.00
No 2 80-120lbs	95.00	140.00
No 3 80-120lbs	40.00	75.00
SLAUGHTER BULLS yield gr		
High dressing	103.00	111.00
Avg.dressing	93.00	107.00
Low dressing	83.00	95.00
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS		
HiCh/Prm2-3	116.00	120.00
Ch2-3	108.50	113.00
Ch1-3		n/a
SLAUGHTER STEERS		
HiCh/prm2-3	116.00	122.00
Ch1-3	110.00	118.00
Sel1-2	104.00	111.00
SLAUGHTER HOLSTEINS		
HiCh/prm2-3	103.00	108.50
Ch 2-3	96.00	103.00
Sel1-2	90.00	96.00
VEALER 60 120lbs	10.00	65.00
SLAUGHTER LAMBS: ch/pr 2-3		
40-60lbs	136.00	155.00
60-80lbs	114.00	164.00
80-110lbs	110.00	124.00
SLAUGHTER EWES: good 2-3		
120-160lbs	90.00	100.00
160-200lbs	94.00	105.00
220-225lbs		n/a
Bucks 130-159lbs		n/a
160-200lbs		n/a
200-250lbs		n/a
SLAUGHTER GOATS:Sel.1, by head, est. wt.		
40-60lbs	114.00	137.00
60-80lbs	120.00	145.00
90-110lbs	127.00	160.00
Nannies/Does: 80-130lbs	110.00	140.00
130-150lbs	142.00	182.00
Bucks/Billies: 100-150lbs	157.00	190.00
150-250lbs	200.00	295.00

EASTERN PA GRAIN

November 4, 2013
Average price per bushel

BARLEY	3.03
CORN	4.21
OATS	3.00
SOYBEANS	12.69
WHEAT	6.49

NORTHEAST EGG PRICES USDA

Per doz., USDA Grade A/Grade A white in cartons
(volume buyers)

XTRA LARGE	1.41	1.45
LARGE	1.39	1.43
MEDIUM	1.12	1.16

NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS

Per doz., wholesale Grade A brown in cartons
(delivered)

XTRA LARGE	1.90	2.02
LARGE	1.84	1.96
MEDIUM	1.30	1.41

ADVERTISEMENTS

FOR SALE

1-R. Blumenthal & Donahue is now Connecticut's first independent NATIONWIDE Agri-Business Insurance Agency. Christmas tree growers, beekeepers, sheep breeders, organic farmers and all others, call us for all your insurance needs. 800-554-8049 or www.bludon.com.

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3-R. Gallagher electric fencing for farms, horses, deer control, gardens, & beehives. Sonpal's Power Fence 860-491-2290.

4-R. Packaging for egg sales. New egg cartons, flats, egg cases, 30 doz and 15 doz. Polinsky Farm 860-376-2227.

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129-R. Equipment for Sale- South Glastonbury
JD 6605 Hi-Crop Mudder tractor 4 wheel drive 110 HP 250 hours, Like new. Lilliston 2 and 4 row cultivators with extra parts. Lely tine weeder- 12 foot with hydraulic fold- mint condition- one owner. I&J 4 row S tine cultivator with liquid side dress tanks and crop shields- one owner. Brillion trailer type spike tooth harrow with hydraulic lift. Haines vegetable washer - rebuilt. JD 7000 Maxi-Merge planter-4 row. New finger pickups and bean cups. Insecticide boxes included. JD model 45 seven(7)foot scraper blade- one owner. JD 444 corn head. Amish built field picking conveyor - hydraulic powered- one owner. Phil Brown apple bin dumper. True Cooler- sliding glass door cooler. Waxed vegetable boxes new on pallets. Two piece Tomato Boxes new on pallets. Cedar fence posts with rolls of goat/sheep fence. Galvanized tube gates. Chevrolet Step Van C20 (inop) perfect for farm markets. Plant trays- 50/72/144 cells new and used. Greenhouse tables- 8x 4 wire covered. Turkey Nesting Boxes- 2 and 4 nest boxes. Farm Stand- movable on skids-8x16 feet. George 860-918-5442 or email inquiries to george.m.purtill@snet.net.

WANTED

128-R. Farmland Preservation Specialist: Seeking an experienced individual to help enhance the coordination of farmland preservation programs. This person would serve as a liaison with other farmland preservation groups operating at the local, state, and national levels. They will split time between the CT NRCS state office and the CT Department of Agriculture and work to help improve the efficiency of the Farm and Ranch Lands Protection program. Duties include: assisting landowners during the application process; assisting with ranking applications; conducting resource inventories; reviewing conservation plans, baseline inventories, and monitoring reports; and reviewing land deeds. Qualifications: computer software such as MS Office; ability to conduct field assessments; strong communication skills; and a valid CT driver's license. Familiarity with GIS, farming community, and conservation easements is a plus. Background check required. 32 hours / week, \$18.50 / hour + benefits. Email resume to: cwbennett@ultimaservices.com with "Tolland - Specialist" written in the subject line.

130. Sweet Acre Farm, 3 year old vegetable operation looking for permanent location to continue business. Lease to own or purchase preferred. Under 30 minutes to Hartford would be ideal. Call Jonathan and Charlotte, 203-240-2724.

MISCELLANEOUS

6-R. Farm/Land specializing in land, farms, and all types of Real Estate. Established Broker with a lifetime of agricultural experience and 40 years of finance. Representing both Buyers and Sellers. Call Clint Charter of Wallace-Tustin Realty (860) 644-5667.

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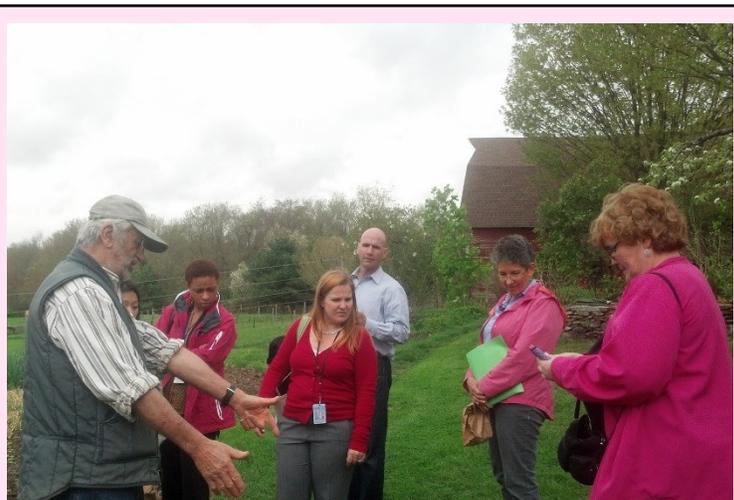
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Representatives were eager to share data and resources that had been successful in their areas. The event was a great opportunity for networking across the state.

The CFPC is strategically focusing on the future. Over the next year it plans to formalize a response to the Food Security Report, working on the State Nutrition Access Committee, and strengthen and expand council participation.

The council meets the second Thursday of every month, except August, for approximately two hours. The next meeting will be held on November 14, 2013. For agendas and minutes please visit the Connecticut Department of Agriculture's website, www.CTGrown.gov, and click on "Boards, Councils, and Commissions" at the left of the page.



CFPC members discuss production and distribution of Connecticut Grown meat during a June 2013 farm tour

ANDREADIS NAMED NEW CAES DIRECTOR

The Board of Control of The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station in New Haven has appointed Dr. Theodore Andreadis as its ninth director of the 138-year-old station.

A Massachusetts native, Dr. Andreadis joined the research staff of the Experiment Station in 1978. He is an internationally known scientist in the field of medical entomology and author of more than 185 scientific publications.

HARTFORD REGIONAL MARKET SURVEY

The [Hartford Regional Market](#), a 32-acre state-owned facility, is the largest perishable food distribution facility between Boston and New York. Designed and built in the 1940s, it has served Connecticut and the surrounding area for more than six decades as a hub for agricultural products grown and produced both within and outside the state.

The Connecticut Department of Agriculture and the Connecticut Marketing Authority, which oversees the Hartford Regional Market, are in the early stages of developing a master plan for revitalization of the 60-plus-year-old facility.

They are seeking input from residents about their impressions of the Hartford Regional Market and any shopping experiences they may have had there.

Input is needed by Sunday, November 24, 2013. Please take the survey (about 10 minutes to complete), at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/HRMConsumerWebSurvey>

The survey is also available in Spanish at

<https://es.surveymonkey.com/s/MercadoRegionaldeHartford>

Thank you for providing valuable feedback, and please feel free to share these links with your family, friends, and various networks.

SIGN UP FOR CONSERVATION PROGRAMS BY DEC 20

USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is accepting applications from landowners interested in implementing conservation practices that improve natural resources on farmland, forestland, and wetland areas through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Agricultural Management Assistance (AMA) Program, and Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP).

AMA provides financial assistance to eligible agricultural producers. The program provides cost-share assistance to address issues such as water management, water quality, and erosion control by incorporating conservation into farming operations.

EQIP provides cost-share and incentive payments to implement conservation practices on eligible agricultural land. This program promotes environmental quality and agricultural production as compatible goals.

WHIP is for conservation-minded landowners who want to develop and improve wildlife habitat on agricultural land, non-industrial private forest land, and Tribal land.

The deadline to submit applications for the first batching period is Friday, December 20, 2013. Applications received after that date will be accepted and considered, if funds are available.

For more information, contact your nearest USDA Service Center: Danielson (860-779-0557), Hamden (203-287-8038), Norwich (860-887-3604), Torrington (860-626-8258), or Windsor (860-688-7725).



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