

Grazing: What Have We Learned in the Past 28 Years?

Dr. Darrell Emmick, NY USDA-NRCS Grazing Specialist, will be speaking on the UVM campus Friday afternoon January 16 . This presentation is part of a UVM Plant & Soil Science Department spring seminar series. It is open to the public at no charge. Dr. Emmick will be speaking from 3:00 pm to 3:50 pm in Stafford Hall Room 101, with refreshments to follow in Hills Building Room 19. No pre-registration required.

This presentation will provide an overview of where pasture and its uses were nearly three decades ago, what we have learned through research and application since that time, and the potential for its use today in a world fraught with social, ecological and economic disharmony.

Dr. Emmick has worked for over 25 years promoting grazing-based dairy production systems in the northeast region of the U.S. This work includes the development of practical application guidelines and the provision of on-farm technical assistance. His primary research interest is in the foraging behavior of lactating dairy cows and the influence of supplemental concentrate feeds. Dr. Emmick will be the keynote speaker at the 13th Annual VT Grazing Conference Saturday January 17 at VT Technical College in Randolph, and will lead a two-part workshop session on animal behavior at the conference.

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