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## **BQA Training and Beef Field Day**

*Saturday, October 6, 2018*

**10:00 AM – 3:00 PM**

*Frank Bratt Agricultural Center, 3542 Turner Road, Jamestown, NY and  
Moon Meadow Farm – Ted and Cathy Card, 3195 North Main Street, Jamestown, NY*

Sponsored by: The Card Family, New York State Beef Producer's Association,  
Chautauqua County Beef Producers, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua & Cattaraugus Counties,  
and local Agricultural businesses.

### **Program schedule:**

10 am-Noon: Beef Quality Assurance (BQA) classroom presentation by Shannon Carpenter, Veterinarian, NY Dept. of Ag & Markets at the Frank Bratt Agricultural Center, Jamestown.

Noon: Lunch provided

Chute Side BQA Training and Demonstrations to follow lunch at Moon Meadow Farm, Jamestown:

- **BQA Chute Side Training** – Learn about proper handling and use of animal health products with a demonstration and practice of proper sub-cutaneous injections.
- **Hands-on Necropsy** of a beef animal, with in-depth discussion on preventing injection site lesions that affect the quality of the meat.

**Registration for lunch and program required by September 28<sup>th</sup> (Please call or e-mail to make reservations, can pay at the program).** Program cost: \$15 per person/ \$25 per farm. Program and lunch included with registration fee. The BQA manual can be downloaded at no charge at: <https://www.bqa.org/resources/manuals> or contact Lisa Kempisty at the Cornell Cooperative Extension office to request a copy for a small fee to cover printing costs.

Youth 14 years old and above can participate in this training and receive their BQA certification. Youth under 14 years of age are welcome to attend the training, but cannot receive the formal BQA certificate. To plan for lunch, reservations are required for this BQA program by September 28<sup>th</sup> by contacting Lisa Kempisty, Extension Educator, Cornell Cooperative Extension of Chautauqua County at [lj4@cornell.edu](mailto:lj4@cornell.edu), or 716-664-9502 Ext 203, or Ted Card at [lv1259@netsync.net](mailto:lv1259@netsync.net) or 716-664-3339. Payment can be made the day of the program.

Beef Quality Assurance is a national program that provides science based management practices that enhance carcass quality and safety and improve animal care. BQA works to return more profits to producers and to ensure consumer confidence in the beef supply. The BQA program is funded by the national Beef Checkoff and is producer based, voluntary and locally led. In NYS it is coordinated through a combined effort of the New York Beef Council, Cornell University and the New York Beef Producer's Association.

The trainings include a classroom as well as hands on chute side training. At the end of the training producers will receive Level I BQA certification. Producers who establish a Veterinary Client Patient Relationship (VCPR) with their local vet will then receive Level II Certification. Certification is valid for 3 years. All producers are encouraged to demonstrate their commitment to producing safe, quality beef for our consumers by becoming a BQA Certified producer.