



Small Farm Outreach Initiative

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ABOUT THE FARM BUS TOUR...

Although farmers face many challenges today, there still remain alternative ways and strategies to increase farm profits. The purpose of this educational tour is to provide farmers an opportunity to learn from successful agriculture entrepreneurs and experts from Northern and Central Virginia. The selected tour stops will offer diverse and practical examples of what farmers can do to improve their bottom line. Major focuses include: direct marketing, value-added, agri-tourism, specialty "niche" crops, sustainable farming practices, woodland opportunities, natural resource conservation and more!

REGISTRATION FEE

\$70 single (no private hotel accommodation, guests will be grouped with another tour participant)

\$90 single private (ensures private hotel accommodation)

\$140 party of two (ensures you will share a room with other person listed in your party)

Registrations/payments must be received by August 3, 2016. Space is limited, seats reserved for first 40 paid registrants.

Note: Fee covers bus transportation, 1-night hotel accommodation, educational materials and lunch on both days. Limited scholarships available, please call for details.

DEPARTURE & RETURN*

The bus will depart from the Comfort Inn Hotel parking lot at 4500 Crain Hwy, Bowie, MD 20716 on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 8:00am and return at approx. 6:30pm on Tuesday, Aug 9th.

For participants who reside on the Eastern Shore, provisions are being made for pick-up enroute to Bowie at the Cambridge Walmart Supercenter parking lot on Monday, August 8, 2016 at 6:30am promptly.

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*The bus will not be departing from/returning to UMES in Princess Anne, MD

SELECT TOUR STOPS INCLUDE:

Fauquier Education Farm

The Fauquier Education Farm, a 501c3 organization, was created in 2010. Fauquier Education Farm (FEF) exists to promote agriculture education through best-method demonstrations, intern opportunities, mentoring, and hands-on learning and growing of fresh produce for lower income residents.

Susan Hill Farm

By utilizing high tunnel gardening, Susan Hill Farm is able to produce fresh vegetables, year round for you and your family to enjoy. Only natural solutions are used for pest control and fertilization, ensuring the freshest possible taste. Best of all, the vegetables are grown in the soil the way nature intended with no artificial light or heat. There are many varieties available from the familiar to the more unusual.

Kelly Turkeys USA

The KellyBronze is the perfect quality chain. A slow naturally growing breed bred for fine meat texture, grown to full maturity to give flavor, free ranged to give texture, then dry plucked and aged to give tenderness. In 2012, we shipped our special KellyBronze eggs over from England, reared, and sold our first official Kelly Bronze USA Thanksgiving birds.

Sharondale Farm

Sharondale is a small family farm in Central Virginia. We grow a wide variety of gourmet and medicinal mushrooms for Charlottesville and surrounding area restaurants and local retail grocers. We grow high-quality, vigorous spawn for many species of mushrooms, and sell the best tools and supplies for growing mushrooms.

Carter Mountain Orchard

For over one hundred years, the Chiles Family has been carefully tending its orchards. Since that time, the orchards have grown to become community favorites and destinations for visitors far and wide. Today, the Chiles Family can be found planting, pruning, picking, or otherwise providing fresh produce to Central Virginia and beyond.

And much more!

Visit 2016smallfarmbustour.eventbrite.com for a sneak peek of other farms on the tour schedule.

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please indicate your primary activity:

Farmer (how many years?) Landowner
 Ag Professional Other ()

Registration Fee Schedule

Single Non-Private \$70 - @ \$70 =
(This fee does not include a private room)

Single Private \$90 - @ \$90 =
(Ensures private hotel room accommodation)

Party of Two \$140 - @ \$140 =
(2nd person's name:)

To register/make cc payment on-line visit:

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Make checks payable to:
University of Maryland Eastern Shore

Mail to:

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Attn: Farmer Bus Tour
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Registration Deadline is August 3, 2016

Note: Anyone in need of special services or accommodations in order to participate must call two weeks in advance.