



Northeast Organic Farming Association/ Massachusetts Chapter  
presents

2<sup>nd</sup> Annual 2010 Advanced Growers' Winter Seminar  
With Dr. Paul Dettloff,

# Holistic Sustainable Agriculture from the Soil Up

Barre Congregational Church, 30 Park Street, Barre, Mass.  
Tuesday, February 2 to Wednesday, February 3, 2010  
(From 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on both days), 2010

This two-day seminar presents a holistic approach for integrating soil health with healthy and sustainable animal husbandry. It is applicable to operators of farms with livestock, people considering incorporating livestock into their operations, homesteaders, and gardeners.

From this course you will learn:

- Holistic approach to soil fertility, including optimal balancing of mineral levels in soil.
- Use of high-forage diets for large and small ruminants.
- Foliar spraying for increasing forage nutrition.
- Proper feeding and butchering for backyard poultry.
- “Reading” the hair of ruminants to predict production and butter fat content.
- Ten key veterinary tools, including: aloe vera, tinctures, homeopathy, essential oils, whey products, botanicals (e.g., diuretic and uterine pills, and herbals teas), antioxidants, trace elements (e.g. humates/kelp), probiotics and hydrogen peroxide, and acupuncture.
- Basic principles of dowsing for harmful energies.
- The effects of ground currents from various sources on livestock.
- Application of soil fertility principles for vegetable and fruit production in farms and gardens.
- Homesteading skills that enable greater economic success and self-sufficiency.



The seminar will be conducted as a lecture with a Power Point presentation. A course book of the power point will be provided and attendees may purchase a recording of the talk to be mailed after the course. Questions and active engagement with the material of the seminar are encouraged, as this is for your benefit.

**Dr. Paul Dettloff** received his DVM degree from the University of Minnesota and has conducted a large animal veterinary practice in Western Wisconsin for 35 years. He is the author of the book, Alternative Treatments for Ruminant Animals, a premier resource for organic dairy producers. He has pioneered the use of homeopathics and nosodes in the holistic treatment of dairy animals. His focus on the whole system, from the soil to sustainable management, is the result of years of personal study and practical experience. His common sense approach to on-farm production has benefited thousands of farmers. Dr. Dettloff is a consultant and staff veterinarian for Organic Valley Cooperative, consultant to Lancaster Agriculture Products, and owner of Dr. Paul's Lab.

**-----Registration Form – Seminar with Paul Dettloff, February 2-3, 2010 -----**

\* **Mail** registration to: Ben Grosscup, 38 Maplewood Drive, Amherst, MA 01002.

\*\* **Provide e-mail** to obtain important and timely updates.

\*\*\* **Make checks** to: “NOFA/Mass”.

\*\*\*\* **Pre-registration is required** and seminar enrollment is **capped at 100** people -- first come, first served.

\*\*\*\*\* **Information:** Call Ben Grosscup at 413-658-5374 or email <ben.grosscup@nofamass.org> with questions.

Enter Name as it will appear on nametag. List primary contact first	Farm or Organization as it will appear on nametag	Indicate Occupation in space below: (F) Farmer; (FA) Farm Apprentice; (S) Student; (C) Consultant; (E) Educator; (N) Non-profit; (G) Govt. Agency; (B) Business; (O) Other (specify)
<b>Name A:</b>		
<b>Name B:</b>		

<i>Address</i>	<i>City/Town</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>ZIP Code</i>
<i>Phone:</i>	<i>Email:</i>	How did you hear about this workshop?	

We’re connecting farmer with farmer, eating well, and minimizing costs for this seminar by hosting participants at local residents’ homes and by asking every seminar registrant to sign up for one shift (about 1 hour), helping in the kitchen with food preparation or clean-up. To run smoothly, we need your active participation and cooperation in the following areas.

- Food** – We’ll have a two-day coordinated potluck. Participants are expected to bring food to share or to contribute money. We won’t be buying and selling, but each participant should plan to bring a food contribution that has a value of \$50 and enough to provide the equivalent of 8 large meals (if you’re providing a quarter of a meal, then you need to provide that much for 24+ people). You’re not required to cook, but you may. The cook/food coordinator will take note of the item(s) you offer and contact you to confirm each item is needed. If you prefer not to bring food, please add \$50 to your registration fee, and this money will be used to purchase other needed items. This way, everybody gives, receives, and eats well.

\*\*\***Please list food you can supply in quantity:**

Food item	Quantity (lbs, gallons, number)	Value (\$)

- Housing** – Event organizer, Ben Grosscup, will be pairing out-of-town guests with nearby NOFA members who are willing to host you. If you live within commuting distance and can offer housing for another participant, please indicate below. Use the commute to network with other farmers! Lastly, it’s always our suggestion to bring a small token gift of thanks to the host.

Do you request a homestay?  No, I/we don’t.  Yes, I/we request a home stay for (how many?) \_\_\_\_\_ person(s).

Note special needs: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you willing to share a room? (Please circle) **Y** / **N**. I can bring my own bedding and pillows (Please circle) **Y** / **N**.

Can you provide a homestay? I can provide beds for \_\_\_\_\_ people (  singles  doubles  couch  floor space)

- Transportation** – I’d like to carpool and could offer rides to \_\_\_\_\_ people. I/we need a ride for \_\_\_\_\_ people.

**5. Membership Sign-up –**

Check one:  I am not a Member of NOFA or MOFGA. Or  I am a member of the (what state?) \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter of NOFA.

I would like to sign up for/renew my NOFA/Mass Membership, which gives me a \$15 registration discount for this event.

Check one:  Individual: \$35  Low-income: \$20  Supporting \$150\*

Family, Farm, or Organization: \$45\*  Business: \$75\* (\*Entitles members to 2 reduced rates at NOFA events.)

**6. Registration Fees –**

Match Registration Fee info to names above	Name A	Name B
Registration for non-NOFA/MOFGA Members (2 Days) – <i>Start \$165:</i>		
Registration for Members of any NOFA Chapter or MOFGA – <i>Start \$150:</i>		
Early-bird discount (extended deadline)–If you register by January 23, 2010, <i>subtract \$10:</i>	-	-
Food surcharge – If you are not contributing to the pot luck, <i>add \$50:</i>	+	+
NOFA/Mass Membership Payment – <i>Enter amount from 5. Membership Sign-up:</i>	+	+

**7. Payment –**

Check one:  Enclosed is my check for total amount for all persons, plus membership dues (if applicable) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*OR\*\*  Please charge my credit card in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (*NOFA/Mass Saves money when you pay by check.*)

If you prefer to use your credit card, please provide the information requested below. (*Mastercard or Visa only please!*)

Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_ 3-digit security code \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_