

## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

### Eric Young

Agronomist, Miner Institute



Growing up on a 100-cow dairy farm in the rolling hills of Central New York shaped Eric's professional focus on applied agronomic and environmental questions within dairy forage cropping systems. After working in the field as an extension agronomist and nutrient management planner, he earned a PhD in soil science (2006) and was a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Vermont from 2006-2009. Eric joined the Miner Institute in 2009 to lead agronomic and environmental research programs and oversee operations for the Institute's 380-cow dairy research farm with 1000 acres (405 ha). Current research projects span forage production/quality, nutrient management, and field runoff water quality. A major research theme is optimizing nutrient efficiency and forage quality while minimizing nutrient loss. Eric contributes to Miner Institute's monthly award-winning outreach newsletter (the Farm Report) and gives invited talks in the Northeast region on nutrient and management topics.

Eric, along with his wife, Barbara Storandt, their three children (Max, 9, Maeve, 6, and Clara, 10 months) all enjoy gardening, hiking, and the abundant natural resources of the Adirondack Mountain and Champlain Valley region.

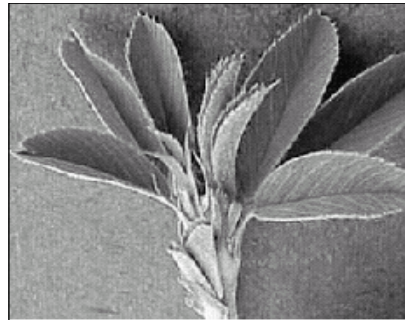


The Ontario Forage Council is a non-profit organization representing the multi-level interests of the Ontario forage industry.

#### Our Mission Statement :

To provide leadership to the Ontario forage industry through communication, research, technology transfer, market development, advocacy, policy development and bringing stakeholders together.

**“Forage quality is key to optimum milk and meat production, for higher profitability.”**



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# FORAGE FOCUS 2016

Conference and Trade Show  
**“Recognizing the Value of Forages for  
Profit & the Environment”**

Shakespeare Optimist Hall, Shakespeare &  
November 29th

Joel Steele Community Centre, Winchester  
November 30th

10:00am-3:00pm



**Keynote Speaker**

**Eric Young**

Agronomist, Miner Institute

***Presentations are CEU accredited!***

## CONFERENCE PARTNERS & SPONSORS



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## How to Register

Registration by phone:

**1-877-892-8663 or 519-986-1484**

Visa and Mastercard accepted by phone

**CONFERENCE COST: \$40**

Cost includes conference proceedings and hot lunch.

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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE:**

**November 24th**

Registrations will be accepted at the door, but **may not** include the hot lunch.

If you are sending payment please make cheque payable to: Ontario Forage Council

## CONFERENCE SPEAKERS & AGENDA

**9:00am Registration**

**10:00am Welcome & Introductions**

**10:05am Thomas Ferguson - Forage/Grazier Specialist, OMAFRA**  
"2016 in Review, 2017 in Perspective"

**10:45am Eric Young**  
"Best Forage Practices for the Crop, Cow, and Farm: 1. From Field to the Cow"

**Noon Hot Roast Beef Lunch**  
**Trade Show Exhibits**

**1:00pm Ontario Hay & Forage Co-Op**  
"Update on Forage Co-op Activities"

**1:15pm Eric Young**  
"Best Forage Practices for the Crop, Cow, and Farm: 2. From Field to Stream"

**2:15pm Producer Panel**  
"Using Hay Drying Equipment to Ensure the Highest Quality Product"

**3:00pm Adjourn**



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### Green Tractors

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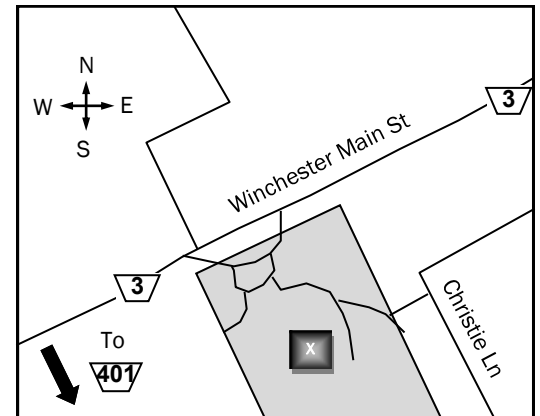
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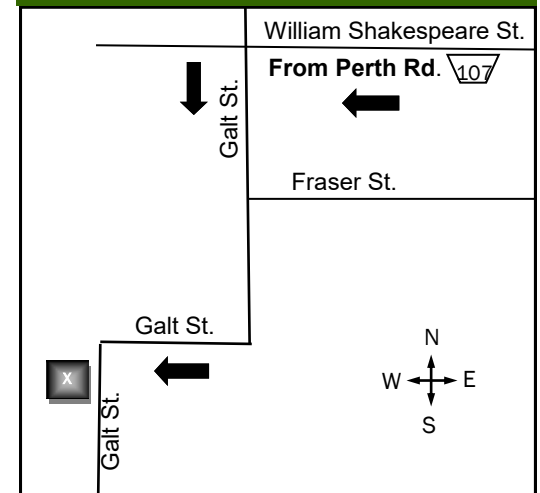
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