Chapter Chatter
Members Connection to Local Meetings!

Chapter 7
November 7, 2019
Bucks County Youth Center
More info to come....

Chapter 19- Red Rose
November 7, 2019
PA Diary Farm Tour-Hess Family Farms

Chapter 26 – Westmoreland
November 13, 2019
Time 4:30 pm- 6:30 PM
Greater LaTrobe School District
Serving Students- More than Lunch

Chapter 23 – Alo-Mar
Braddock Farm Tour
October 15, 2019
Transportation departs from FSC at 3 PM
The visit will entail a tour of the farm, and a discussion pertaining to experiences in the cafeteria and the value of farm to school. Food and transportation will be provided, all participants will receive professional development credits

Chapter 35 -Gnaden Huetten
Thursday October 24, 2019
Pleasant Valley Elementary School
Meeting Time- 5:30 pm-7:30 pm

Chapter 21- Southeastern
October 15, 2019
Hatboro Horsham- Simmons Elementary School
Time: 5:30 PM
Email for more information: JOldsey@Hatboro-Horsham.org

Chapter 33
November 14, 2019
Harriton HS
Lower Merion SD
Email for more information: bwatts@neacademy.net
Key Impact is providing dinner. Culinary Hands on production in groups. Wheel of Fortune NSLP/SBP Game, Raffle Baskets, Vote on Changing name of Chapter from North Montgomery to Yellow Rose - North Montgomery

Chapter 10- Clear Cen
October 28, 2019
Philipsburg-Osceola Area Middle School District
5:30 PM

SNAPA Webinars are recorded for members to view at their convenience!
Click here to view SNAPA recorded webinars.
National School Lunch Week
October 14-18, 2019
Click here for great National School Lunch Week Resources!

Five Ways to Create Community and Social Buzz for NSLW 2019!
Make some noise about what’s on your School Lunch Playlist for National School Lunch Week to gain momentum within your community and on your social media platforms with these resources! Learn More.

Celebrate October!

Tuesday October 8th- National Fluffernutter Day
Tuesday October 8th - National Pierogi Day
Tuesday October 8th- Yom Kippur
Saturday, October 12th - National Farmers Day
Monday October 14th- Columbus Day
Wednesday October 16th - National Boss’s Day
Thursday October 17th- National Pasta Day
Monday, October 21th - National Apple Day
Monday, October 28th - National Chocolate Day
Tuesday October 29th - National Oatmeal Day
Thursday, October 31st- Halloween

Winston Wants to Help Schools in Need!

The Application Window for the 2020 Winston Equipment Grant is Now Open! Winston Foodservice and the School Nutrition Foundation have been teaming up for over a decade to help schools in need to upgrade their kitchens. We're happy to donate ten pieces of new CVap® equipment to the school system that can benefit the most, as selected by the SNF. Click here for information on the application process.

USDA Commodity Reminder

Now is a good time to check your commodity banks, NOI and usage reports to make sure...

1. Are you getting NOI processing credit on your invoices?
2. Are your commodity banks drawing down as expected?
3. Are you getting the brown box commodities you ordered?
PA Legislator Introduces School Meal Bill to Congress

Two new bills impacting school nutrition programs were introduced in September 2019:

Rep. Susan Wild (D-PA), Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick (R-PA), Rep. Debbie Dingell (D-MI), Rep. David Trone (D-MD) and Rep. Don Bacon (R-NE) have introduced H.R. 4259, the Schools Preventing Hunger in At-Risk Kids (SPARK) Act, a bipartisan bill that extends categorical eligibility to over 400,000 children who currently live with grandparents or in other arrangements such as kinship care.

Rep. Jim McGovern (D-MA) and Rep. Rodney Davis (R-IL) introduced H.R. 4265, the Healthy Breakfast Help Kids Learn Act of 2019 which would strengthen and expand the School Breakfast Program (SBP) by proving additional federal support to those schools participating in the SBP.

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Friends of the Earth and Healthy School Food Maryland, along with our partners, are pleased to invite SNAPA members to the Chesapeake Region Greening School Food Forum & Festival.

What: The fourth in a series of regional forums around the country, this dynamic event is focused on healthy, climate-friendly school foodservice. During the forum portion of the day, participants will have opportunities to cultivate new relationships and learn from school food leaders across the region about how they have employed cost-effective approaches to implement healthy, plant-forward menus, reduce food waste, and increase student participation and engagement. The event also includes a Festival where students and their families will have the opportunity to cook with a professional chef, attend health and wellness workshops, and sample the creations of the chef-led student participants. The festival will also feature local producers who will have the opportunity to network and offer product samples to regional foodservice directors and families.

When: Friday, November 8, 2019, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Forum is 8:45 am - 3:30 pm, Festival runs 1:00 pm - 4:30 pm.

Where: Thomas Edison High School of Technology, 12501 Dalewood Drive, Silver Spring, MD 20906

Why: With seven billion meals served annually by K-12 schools, shifting menus toward more plant-forward options and increasing sourcing from local, organic farms is a powerful lever for reducing greenhouse gas emissions and other harmful impacts of industrial food, while leading towards a generational shift toward healthier eating.

Who:

Forum: Stakeholders in K-12 foodservice, including foodservice directors, school nutritionists and staff, foodservice operators, sustainability coordinators, policymakers, and non-profits working on healthy and sustainable food solutions. (CE credit will likely be offered for attendance.)

Festival: All the above plus parents, students, chefs and community members.

How: Click here to register via EventBrite.