

## Grand Opening Celebration

Woodbourne Creamery at Rock Hill Orchard is celebrating its official grand opening on Monday, November 18 at 11:30 AM at 28600 Ridge Road, Mount Airy, MD 20876.

Woodbourne Creamery is Montgomery County's first new dairy in sixty years, and we are the only local farm processing our own milk in our on-farm bottling facility.

We also have the first all-pasture robotic dairy in North America, which means our Guernsey cows are a happy, free-range, grass-fed herd that milk on their schedule!

As a family, and as farmers, we are advocates of intensive grazing because it is environmentally and economically sustainable. Through the use of managed intensive grazing, our pastures stay in their most efficient and palatable state and our nutrients are naturally recycled by using the roving cows' manure as a fertilizer.

This year we installed a Delaval VMS (voluntary milking system) robotic milking machine, which allows the cows to milk on their own preferred schedules. We provide our cows with water in the field all day long, and the cows enjoy coming and going at their leisure. The best part of the VMS is that it is completely automatic and allows us to spend more time running all of the other facets of our farm.

We are licensed by the state of Maryland as a Grade A dairy and a Grade A processing facility. We are currently processing Creamline (non-homogenized) pasteurized milk for sale at our on-farm market, and we plan to start making cheese this fall.

We invite you to celebrate the end of our regulatory and licensing journey, and to help us recognize those who have helped us to get where we are. We will be conducting tours of our facility as well as hay rides to see our farm.

We want you to meet our cows and to try our products (just in time for the holidays), including our Creamline Golden Guernsey milk.

Woodbourne Creamery is located at Rock Hill Orchard, a 140 acre pick-your-own fruit and vegetable farm in Montgomery County's Agricultural Reserve.

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