

Penn Manor selects new ag teacher

Penn Manor High School began the season with a new teacher in the agriculture department. Bernard Day, joined the staff of Gus Birchler and Mike Burton at the area school, increasing the number of ag instructors to three.

Day graduated from Cornell University and majored in ag education with emphasis in animal science and general agriculture. While attending Cornell, Day was a member of the ag teacher's group.

A graduate of Phelps' Central High School in Phelps, New York, Day was an active FFA member taking several projects. He was a member of the chapter procedure team for his FFA and also served on the Farm Forum team and the basketball team.

Day received several FFA awards during his high school years including the Empire Farmer Award, numerous county awards for outstanding FFA work and

an award from the area bankers.

Day will be helping out with all aspects of the agriculture program at Penn Manor and will be aiding with the FFA work also. Since beef production has been of interest to the instructor, he will be working closely with those students involved in raising steers.

Although relatively new to the area Day commented on living in the county, "I really like the people in this area and am anxious to really get involved in the work."

An avid sports fan, Day enjoys basketball and admits that he likes to play the game as often as he can.

Day, his wife and daughter, reside at Lancaster R2.



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Flaming foliage soon to appear

HARRISBURG - Within a few weeks, weather permitting, Pennsylvania's countryside will take on a brand new look created by a rainbow-like mantel of color ranging from bright yellow to purple and a rich deep green.

Appropriately described as Pennsylvania's Flaming

Foliage, this is the richness of Autumn when the American beech turns a golden bronze, while the elm and the sycamore, along with the black willow, river and sweet birches, and the tuliptree, are transformed into a wide variety of yellowish hues.

Tinted with red are the oaks, dogwood and red maples; the sassafras turns a brilliant orange to scarlet, and the lowly sumac is cloaked with red to lavender.

Deep purple indicates a distant stand of white ash. The white oaks, unlike other oak species, may turn purple or violet; while the persimmon turns gold, the white pine a blueish green, and the hemlock retains its deep rich green.

This panorama of color spreads gradually throughout the Commonwealth with the richness of colors dependent on

factors such as sunlight, rainfall and humidity.

The first evidence of widespread tree coloration can usually be sighted in the northern tier countries between Oct. 1 and Oct. 14. This area is comprised of a section of Wayne County and all of Susquehanna, Bradford, Tioga, Potter and McKean Counties.

As the sun moves southward, so does the season of coloration in nature's cycle and foliage is most beautiful in the central zone, which extends from one end of the Commonwealth to the other, between Oct. 12 and Oct. 26.

In the triangular southern zone, marked by an imaginary line extending from the southern part of Monroe County to the southwestern corner of Somerset County and the Mason-Dixon line, the magnificent coloration generally occurs between Oct. 19 and Oct. 31.

Corn/soybean day slated for Monday

LANDISVILLE — A corn and soybean field day is scheduled to take place here at the Penn State Agronomy Research Farm on Monday, (Sept. 29) beginning at 1:30 p.m.

Specialist on hand for the presentations include John Yocum, superintendent of the research facilities; and Drs. Richard Cole, Melvin Johnson, and Joe McGahun.

Topics of discussion include: hybrid corn - both dent and waxy; corn insecticides; corn diseases; corn herbicides; soybean varieties - full season and double crop; soybean herbicides - no-till and conventional.

The research farm and laboratory is located four miles west of the Manheim Auto Auction along Auction Road.

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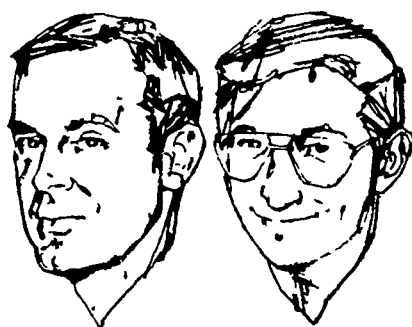
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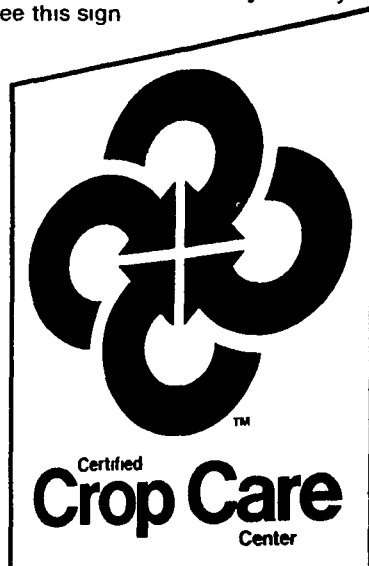
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