Series of dairy meetings set for Maryland

COLLEGE PARK, Md. – The Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Maryland will sponsor a three-part series of Dairy Days educational meetings on consecutive Tuesdays, beginning Feb. 27 at Frock's Sunnybrook Farm restaurant in Westminster.

Target audience is dairy farmers in Carroll, Howard

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and Baltimore counties; but interested persons throughout the state are welcome to attend, according to Dr. Richard F. Davis, dairy science department chairman at the University of Maryland in College Park. Advance registration is

requested by next Tuesday (Feb. 20) with your local

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county Extension agricultural agent. Total registration fee-covering all three days - is \$5. In addition, there will be \$3.50 charge for lunch each day or a package plan of three meals for \$10. Expenses for speakers and printed copies of the proceedings are being underwritten by 36 cooperating agribusiness firms.

The restaurant meeting place for all three days is located at 112 Bond Street (off Main Street) in the northwest part of Westminster. Registration starts at 9:30 a.m. each day, and the program will begin promptly at 10 o'clock. It will end at 3 p.m.

Chief coordinator for arrangements is Walter C. Bay, Extension agricultural agent in Carroll county.

Program speakers will

include educators of national and international renown. The line-up is as follows: FEB. 27

10 a.m.-noon - Dr. Roger W. Hemken, professor of dairy science at the University of Kentucky, will speak on "Nutrition of the Lactating Cow." His talk will point out changing nutritive requirements throughout a 12-month period. He will also present recommendations on the kinds and amounts of nutrients to feed, and the form in which they are most effective.

1-3 p.m. - Dr. W. Ray Murley, Extension dairy science project leader at Virginia Polytechnic In-1 stitute and State University. Dr. Murley's presentation will deal with "Nutrition of Calves and Heifers." It will cover nutritive requirements of replacement dairy animals from birth through calving. MARCH 6

10 a.m.-noon - Dr. William Hansel, professor of reporductive physiology at Cornell University, will make a presentation on "Reproduction and Selection of Dairy Cattle." A "typical" 12-month period in the life cycle of a lactating cow will be examined from a reproductive standpoint.

1-3 p.m. – Dr. John M. White, professor of genetics in the dairy science department at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, will talk about "Physical Traits as a Basis for Selection of Dairy Cattle."

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10-11:30 a.m. - Rodney O. Martin, director of farm systems research and development for Agway,

of Inc., will outline alternative als methods which dairymon a should consider in planning new construction or renovation. This includes of cost data. Martin is at headquartered at Syracuse, ill N.Y.

> 11:30-noon - Dr. Robert F. Miller, senior technical advisor for Merck and Company, Inc., will discuss parasites in relation to animal nutrition. He will also describe how proper treatment should be administered.

1-3:30 p.m. – W. Max Buckel, Extension agricultural agent for Baltimore county, will give an update on nonpoint pollution rules and procedures, and how they will affect dairy farmers in Maryland.

1:30-3 p.m. – Dr. Robert C. Hammond, Extension veterinarian and department chairman at the University of Maryland in College Park, will make a presentation on "Dairy Herd Health." His talk will deal with metabolic profiles and the respiratory complex.

At least three of the out-ofstate speakers have previous Maryland connections.

Dr. Rober W. Hemken was a dairy science faculty member at the University of Maryland from 1957 to 1971.

Dr. William Hansel obtained his B.S. degree at the College Park campus in 1940. He is a native of Vale Summit (Allegany county). Dr. John M. White was a featured speaker at the annual bull stud open house north of Frederick in October 1977.





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