

State house approves capital stock exemption

HARRISBURG — Legislation to help preserve family farms has been adopted by the House.

Rep. Noah W. Wenger, prime sponsor of the measure, said the legislation to exempt family farm corporations from the state capital stock and franchise tax passed Wednesday by an overwhelming 155 to 31 vote.

"This tax has discouraged many farm families from incorporating their holdings," Wenger said. "By not incorporating it's very costly to pass the farm from one generation to the next."

"My legislation will exempt this type of corporation from the stock tax and thus encourage families to benefit from the many advantages of being incorporated."

Two attempts to amend the bill were beaten back. The first amendment gathered only 26 votes. The second was withdrawn from consideration.

Governor Richard Thornburgh has indicated he will sign the bill when it gets

to his desk. Next hurdle is the state senate, but Wenger said he anticipates no problems there.

He said he anticipates early action on the bill in the senate. He also said he hopes the bill will help insure that Pennsylvania remains a major food producer.

"Our state has rich land, abundant water supplies and good agricultural climate," he said. "We need to preserve this great strength."

This legislation will help keep family farms together and see that they are not split up and used for non-farming purposes.

The Lancaster County legislator said the measure defines a family farm corporation as one organized and operated for the agricultural use of land.

At least 75 percent of the stock of the corporation must be owned by members of the same family. Approximately 75 percent of the assets must also be devoted to the business of agriculture.

Montgomery County offers tractor safety course

NORRISTOWN — The Montgomery County Extension Service will offer a tractor safety certification course for area youth. Although the course is designed for youth, anyone who is interested in learning more about tractor safety is welcomed. To reserve a spot in the course, call Nancy Kadwill at the 4-H office 215/277-0674.

Under the Fair Labor Standards Act, all 14 and 15 year olds who plan to be employed off the home farm and will be operating a tractor of over 20 PTO horse power, must have evidence

or satisfactorily completing such a course before they can be employed.

The course will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. on April 8, 15, 22 and 29 at the agricultural classroom at the Western Montco Vo-Tech School, Limerick. The driving exam is scheduled for Saturday, April 3. Some experience is desired. The instructor will be Roger Michelone.



Delaware County slates clothing workshops

MEDIA — A series of four workshops concerning clothing has been scheduled. They will be held on succeeding Wednesdays from

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Toal Building Auditorium, Second and Orange Streets, Media. On Wednesday, April 16,

Wardrobe Planning is the topic. Those attending are asked to bring with them a garment that they have not worn for at least 3 years.

April 9 is Quick Tailoring; April 30 is Selecting A Sewing Machine; and May 7 is Quick Tips. All the meetings are free.

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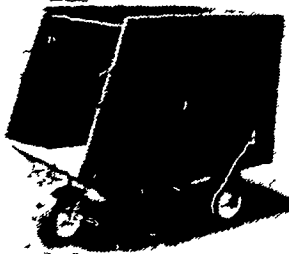


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