

Lancaster to hold March 3 Dairy Day

LANCASTER — The Annual Lancaster County Dairy Day will be held March 3 at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center.

Come as early as 9 a.m. for refreshments and for an opportunity to observe the many commercial exhibits and demonstrations that will be on display.

This year's theme is Economics — Number One in Eighty One. The program will

begin with a movie on "Cutting Losses by Managing Mastitis." Glenn Shirk, Lancaster County extension dairy agent, will focus on helping dairymen improve cash flow in his presentation on Hidden Profits.

The Economic Outlook for 1981 will be discussed by a four-member panel. Specifically, Penn State Economist, Louis Moore will look at the general economy and

focus on those things which directly or indirectly affect the dairy industry.

Agricultural Loan Officer Robert Bucher of the Commonwealth Bank will address The Money Situation.

The Feed Situation will be discussed by David Poorbaugh of Poorbaugh Grains Lackawanna County Agricultural Agent Thomas Jurchak will crystal ball the Milk Price Situation.

Proper nutrition and balanced rations are very essential to good health and reproduction and to profitable production. To make this possible dairymen need fast, accurate forage testing and feed programming services. This is now possible through infrared analysis, a technique perfected by Penn State Agronomist, John Shenk.

Shenk will demonstrate this

technique and will challenge the audience with some ideas of how this new technique could be put into service for the benefit of local farmers.

Calf and Heifer Housing is a big concern to many dairymen, and will be the topic of Dr. Dan Meyer, Penn State agricultural engineer.

As the saying goes, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Many dairymen can vouch for the truth in this statement. They know how costly herd health problems can be.

A practicing veterinarian Dr. Lester Griel of Penn State, will be relating his experiences with the benefits of preventive Herd Health Programs For Dairy Herds.

Fly Control on Dairy Farms is a problem to be addressed by Penn State Entomologist Clarence Colison. He will be discussing fly control as it relates to manure handling, in addition to covering insecticides and preventive measures.

The event is being conducted by the Penn State Extension Service of Lancaster County, and should be of interest to anyone interested in dairying.

Lancaster 4-H dairy clubs welcome new members

QUARRYVILLE — Young people in Lancaster County who are interested in dairy cattle and 4-H Club work, are invited to attend one of the reorganizational meetings listed below.

The Ayrshire, Brown Swiss, Jersey 4-H Club will meet 7:30 p.m., Monday, March 9, 1981 at the home of David Harnish, 10 South Hess Street, Quarryville.

The following evening, March 10, the Lancaster County Golden Guernsey 4-H Dairy Club will meet 7:30 p.m. at the Raymond Witmer farm. The Witmer farm is on

Route 222 between Willow Street and New Providence just south of the Pequea Creek.

The Lancaster County 4-H Holstein Club will hold its first meeting at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center, 7:30 p.m. on Friday, March 27.

The strength of 4-H depends, in part, upon the backing and support of the family, and so, parents are encouraged to attend, too.

To be eligible, young people must be between the ages of 8 and 18 as of the beginning of the year.

They are required to own and care for a dairy animal as their 4-H project.

Calves must be purchased before May 1, 1981 and registration papers transferred to their name.

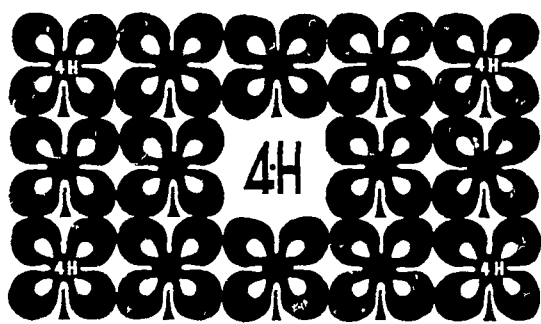
4-H Club work is a learn-by-doing experience guided by volunteer leaders. In addition to caring for their cattle, members are expected to keep accurate feeding, breeding and financial records on their animals.

They are also encouraged to

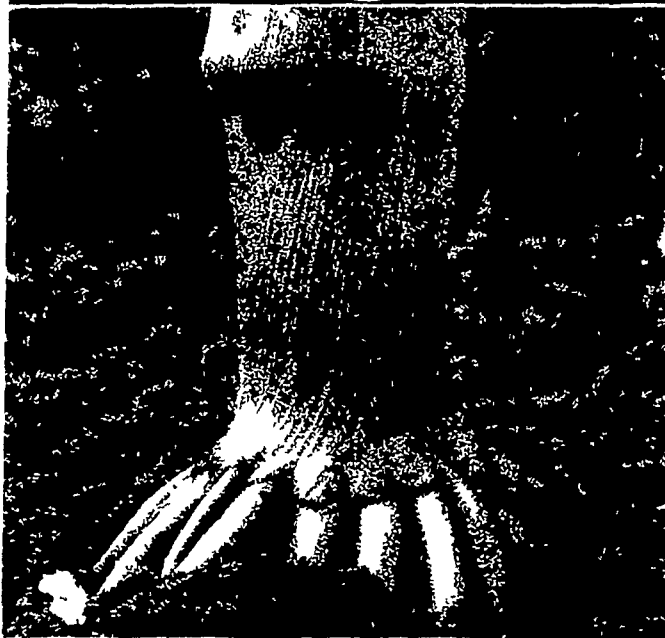
train and groom their cattle for the local 4-H shows.

Dairy club work is not all cows. Young people also develop leadership abilities as they learn how to work and play together, conducting their own club meetings and planning their own 4-H activities.

The 4-H club program is conducted by the Cooperative Extension Service. For more information, call the Penn State Extension Service at 394-6851.



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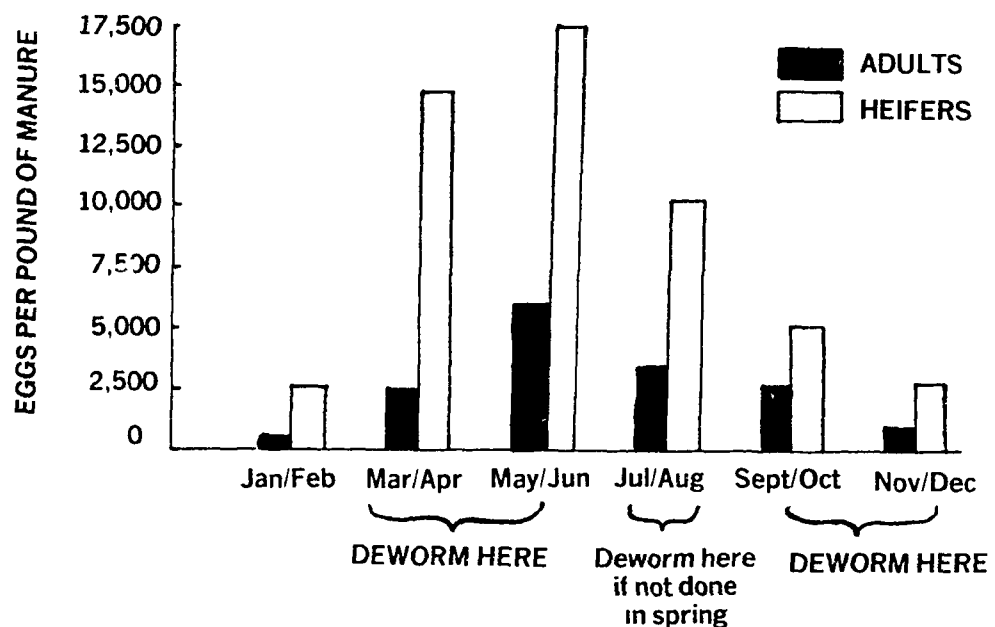
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