

York Farmer's Association holds spring meeting

DALLASTOWN — York County Farmers' Association Spring Meeting and Banquet was held last

Friday at Blymire's Church in Dallastown. President Jack Dehoff welcomed



Jack Dehoff, president of the York Farmers' Association introduces PFA lobbyist Al Myers, left, to the group's spring meeting and banquet held at Dallastown.

over 200 farmers and state legislators

Dehoff recognized York County Farmers William Fleet, John Marsteller, II, Wayne Beshore, Lorne and Aileen Detter, and Charles and Dave Trout for their outstanding accomplishments in farming.

Al Myers, lobbyist for Pennsylvania Farmers' Association was the guest speaker. He told those present that without members, PFA is only a name.

He said, "that every farmer has the ability to participate in their government, from county to state. He pointed out that last year, agriculture had one of the best years in the General Assembly in Harrisburg."

One of the top issues was Milk Security, 50 percent of the Association's members are dairymen.

Handlers went bankrupt and farmers didn't get paid. Act 104 was passed and now 85 percent of milk produced in Pennsylvania is covered.

A Bill passed on inheritance tax, requiring the value of the land to be based on the farmland value as computed for this Act and not on

the market value, it must continue in agriculture for seven years

Truck weights increased, and further work is being done on language.

Myers also discussed some of PFA's top 10 issues for 1981 such as public schools financing, property taxes, unemployment com-

ensation reform and others.

York County farmer, Ralph McGregor reported on the Harrisburg Tour attended by 443 farmers' association members and 141 state legislators. He said that it was an impressive sight seeing that many farmers ascend the Capitol steps at one time.

Penn's Agri-Women plan business meeting

BY DEBBIE KOONTZ

LITITZ — Penn's Agri-Women was formed as a viable force for Pennsylvania farm women to speak up for farmers and present their side on the cost of food.

On Tuesday this organization will again be speaking as members meet for a business meeting at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, Hershey

Starting the day will be registration at 9.30 followed by a brief description of one member's, Ehtel Gross', trip to Australia and New Zealand.

At 10:30 Donald E. Rosen from Dupont will be speaking on "People vs Tests."

"He will be speaking on important legislative things happening at the state level in the way of chemicals," Gail McPherson, Pennsylvania Agri-Women president said

Over the noon luncheon, Dave Poorbaugh of Poorbaugh Grain will be speaking on, "Will the bulls or the bears rule trade?"

"Landuse Dilema" has been slated for the afternoon session. Speaking will be William Conn, senior planner of York County Planning Commission

Following Conn will be resolutions committee reports and adjournment at 3 p m

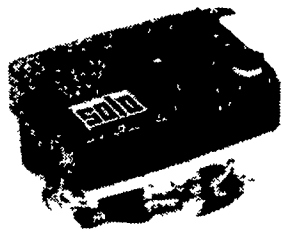
This meeting like all those of Penn's Agri-Women are designed to promote the interest of the farm. The main interest of the organization is to act as a public relations firm or an advertising agency for farmers; their argument being that other multi-million dollar businesses have firms to help them

Penn's Agri-Women's newsletters report that farm interests are so diversified that the farmers haven't been working together as they should and could. This organization intends to speak out, and to work together to encompass all phases of agriculture and agri-business

The newsletter goes on to say that as a state group, and part of a national group (American Agri-Women), members can better understand some of the complexities of agriculture in Pennsylvania by crossing commodity lines and geographic boundaries often found between farms, farmers and farm organizations

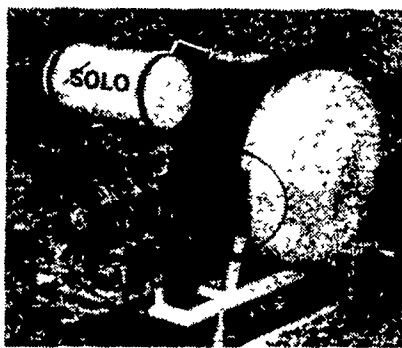
To educate and to inform is always the main thrust of the Penn's Agri-Women's meeting Tuesday A \$10 charge will be charged for lunch Reservations must be made in advance with Gail McPherson at 382-4878

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