

## Holstein Convention features herd health panel

HARRISBURG — "Many dairymen don't realize that udder edema is largely caused by the good job they do breeding for milk production," remarks Dr. Dan West, clinical research veterinarian for Schering Veterinary and dairy specialist.

"Research has consistently shown that cows bred for increased milk yields are more prone to udder caking and fluid build-up," he notes.

This topic and how udder edema affects overall dairy herd health programs will be discussed by a panel of dairy experts at the 1982 Pennsylvania Holstein Convention beginning at 9:30 a.m. on February 26.

Entitled, "The Role of Udder Edema in Herd Health Programs," the program will include a slide presentation and question and answer session.

Attendees will have the opportunity to ask panel members questions relating to their experiences with udder edema, its consequences on herd health and

various treatment methods available.

Panel members include: Hershey Bare, Valley Pond Farms, Lebanon; Dr. George W. Heisey VMD, Lebanon; Dr. L.W. Samples VMD, Hummelstown; Dr. Daniel West DVM, Kenilworth, N.J.

Recently named 1981 Master Farmer, Hershey Bare milks 85 registered Holsteins with a rolling herd average of 16,500 pounds of milk and 625 pounds of fat. Bare and his wife Mary Ann and sons Michael and Robert are not only known for their accomplishments in the dairy business, but have also gained recognition for their high field crop yields on their 300-acre tillable farm.

Dr. Heisey is a practitioner at the Avon Animal Clinic in Lebanon. While his practice is general in nature, Dr. Heisey's bovine reproduction work has made him well-known in the state's dairy industry. A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Heisey currently holds membership in the American Veterinary Medical Association,

Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association and the American Animal Hospital Association.

Dr. Samples is a familiar figure to many Pennsylvania Holstein farmers because of his involvement the past seven years in the Association's export program. The large animal practitioner estimates that roughly 50 percent of his time is spent treating dairy animals. Before beginning his own practice, Dr. Samples was a practitioner in Reading.

Dr. West is currently responsible for on-going clinical research on new animal health products and for technical services for Schering Veterinary. Prior to joining Schering, Dr. West had a veterinary practice in Waseca, Minnesota, where he specialized in dairy cattle. He began his practice following graduation from the University of Minnesota's College of Veterinary Medicine. Dr. West is a member of the American Veterinary Medical Association, American Association of Bovine Practitioners and American Association of Swine Practitioners.

## PHA slates annual Holstein meeting for end of February

HARRISBURG — The Pennsylvania Holstein Association will hold its 70th annual convention at the Harrisburg Marriott Inn, Feb. 25, 26 and 27.

Hosted by the Southeast Holstein District, the first day features the Convention Sale at 7 p.m. in the Marriot Ballroom. Sale animals will be on display, prior to the sale, at the Pa. Holstein Farm, Route 441, one mile south of Middletown. Zane Akins, Executive Secretary of the Holstein Association of America will address the annual meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 26.

Friday evening activities are highlighted by the Convention Banquet at 7 p.m. in the Ballroom and members are invited to stay for the dance that follows.

The Awards Breakfast, which honors members, Junior members, sales achievement and Hall of Fame induction, begins on Saturday, Feb. 27 at 8 a.m. in the Ballroom.

Convention reservations must be in by Feb. 10. Members can send checks to Pennsylvania Holstein Convention, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Boyer, 110 Biesecker Road, York, Pa. 17404. Tickets can be picked up at registration.

Room reservations should be made as soon as possible to Harrisburg Marriott Inn 4650 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, 17111, 717-564-5511.

Costs for the three-day meeting are as follows: Thursday, Feb. 25 — Buffet Dinner 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$10 per person. Friday, Feb. 26 — Junior Program and Luncheon \$4 per person; Ladies Program and Luncheon \$20 per person; Banquet Program, Adults \$17.50 per person; Banquet Program, Juniors \$8 per person. Saturday, Feb. 27 — Awards Breakfast \$8 per person.

The following is the complete schedule for the 1982 Annual Convention.

### THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

- 10.00 a.m. - Executive Committee Meeting, Ballroom - Salon D.
- 10.00 a.m.-6.00 p.m. - Sale Animals on Display, Pennsylvania Holstein Farm.
- 11.00 a.m. - Registration - Lobby.
- 11.00 a.m. - Commercial Booths Open.
- 11.00 a.m. - Dairy Barn Opens - Chestnut and Dogwood Rooms.
- 11.00 a.m. - Craft Display - Elm and Fir Room.
- 1:30 p.m. - Hershey Bus Tour - Chocolate World and Founders Hall.

1:30 p.m. - Board of Directors Meeting, Ballroom - Salon D.

4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m. - Buffet Dinner - Ballroom.

7:00 p.m. - Convention Sale - Ballroom.

10.00 p.m.-12.00 p.m. - Folk Dancing with Tom Hoffman - Ballroom.

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:00 a.m. - Registration - Lobby

9:00 a.m. - Ladies Continental Breakfast, Cahoots Lounge.

9:30 a.m. - Ladies Program - Cahoots Lounge, "Breakfast with Betty" - Betty Groff.

9:30 a.m. - Men's Program - Ballroom - Salons A & B, Role of Udder Edema in Herd Health Programs.

10:00 a.m. - Dairy Bar Opens - Chestnut and Dogwood Rooms.

11:00 a.m. - Milk Referendum Panel, Ballroom - Salons A & B.

11:45 a.m. - Partners in Milk Promotion - Ballroom - Salons A & B, Dick Norton, Manager of Atlantic Dairy Association.

12:00 noon - Ladies Luncheon & Theater - "Ten Little Indians" Host Inn.

1:00 p.m. - South Central District Caucus - Ballroom - Salon D

1:00 p.m. - Southeast District Caucus - Ballroom - Salon C

1:30 p.m. - Pennsylvania Holstein Association Annual Meeting, Ballroom - Salon A & B.

6:00 p.m. - Banquet Reception - Lobby.

7:00 p.m. - Convention Banquet - Ballroom.

9:30 p.m. - Dancing with "Rohrbach Music", Ballroom.

### SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27

8:00 a.m. - Awards Breakfast - Ballroom.

### JUNIOR CONVENTION

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25

10.00 a.m. - Registration - Lobby.

4:00 p.m. - Executive Committee Meeting, Ash Room.

9:30 p.m. - "A Hypnotic Evening" - Ash & Birch Rooms, Robert Bowers, Hypnotist

### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 26

8:00 a.m. - Registration - Lobby.

8:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon - Junior Workshops, Group A - "Dairy Bowling" - Ash Room; Dr. Carl Brown, Sales Manager, Brown's Feed, Group B - "Going, Going, Gone!" - Birch Room, Clarence Stauffer, Holstein Consultant, Robert Kauffman, Auctioneer.

Group C - "Which Bull?" (Juniors 16-21) - Elm Room; Dale Olver - Sire Evaluation, Atlantic Breeders, "Bull Journey" (Juniors 15 and under) - Fur Room, Cindy Ambrutis - Communications Manager, Sire Power, Inc.

12:15 p.m. - Junior Luncheon - Cahoots Lounge.

1:30 p.m. - Annual Meeting - Ash & Birch Rooms

3:30-6:00 p.m. - Free Time.

6:00 p.m. - Junior Banquet - Penn Square Restaurant.

7:30 p.m. - Junior Awards Program - Ash & Birch Rooms.

## Pa. grain stocks up 38 percent

HARRISBURG — Corn, wheat, oats and barley stocks in Pennsylvania totaled 126.8 million bushels Jan. 1, up 38 percent from a year ago, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

Corn stored in all positions on Jan. 1 totaled 106.6 million bushels, 47 percent above last year's level of 72.7 million bushels. Of the total corn stocks, 91 percent, or 96.8 million bushels, were stored on-farm, 48 percent above farm stocks a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 9.8 million bushels, were up 32 percent from last year's level.

Pennsylvania wheat stocks in all positions totaled 5.9 million bushels, with wheat stored on farms totaling 1.5 million bushels, up 36 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks totaled 4.4 million bushels, down eight percent.

Oats stored in all positions totaled 12.7 million bushels, 11.4

million bushels on the farm. Both on-farm and off-farm oats stocks increased from 1981 by five and nine percent, respectively. Barley stocks in all positions totaled 1.65 million bushels. On-farm stocks were up 26 percent at 1.3 million bushels, and off-farm stocks were up 43 percent from a year ago.

Nationally, Jan. 1 stocks of wheat in all positions totaled 2.17 billion bushels, 14 percent more than a year ago. Feed grain stocks were 19 percent above a year earlier. Changes from last year were: corn, up 18 percent; sorghum, up 46 percent; oats, down seven percent; and barley, up 10 percent.

The number of off-farm grain storage facilities in Pennsylvania was 338, compared with 347 last year. United States storage facilities, at 14,792, were one percent below the 14,944 last year.

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