

Dairy mgt. course

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Science Center and each Dairy Herd Management student will be instructed in the practical application of computers in the dairy industry. Classes in which computers will be used include Dairy Feeding and Management, Financing Dairy Enterprises; and Farm Records and Analysis.

Field Trips

Not only do students learn in the classroom and on the farm, they also go on field trips and hold special events. Students participated in the Annual Pennsylvania Farm Show this past winter and were included in an arrangement whereby a number of calf brains were obtained at Wyalusing Meat Packing Plant and shipped to Harvard University to be used in experimentation.

Graduates of the Dairy Herd Management program have expressed their satisfaction with the program and the practical experience obtained at the Farm.

The arrangement has been pleasing to the Danville State Farm personnel as well and Marlin McClellan, regional director for the State Agriculture Department feels Pennsylvania needs programs such as the two offered by The Williamsport Area Community College because

agriculture is a major business in the State.

Open House

Ranking fifth in the nation, 15,000 Pennsylvania farms produce more than a billion dollars worth of dairy products yearly. "Modern dairying is also a highly technical business with a slim profit margin, therefore, good management is crucial," McClellan says. As a liaison between the College and the State for the Dairy Herd Management program, McClellan is pleased with the success the program has had this year.

On Thursday, June 21, the Danville State Farm will have an open house and conservation demonstration from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tours highlighting the barn facilities and conservation practices in the field will be conducted for anyone wishing to attend. The open house is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, The Williamsport Area Community College, the Montour Extension Office, the Montour County Conservation District and the Montour County Commissioners.

For those interested in entering either the Dairy Herd Management or Agribusiness programs, openings still exist. For information about either one, call Glenn Spoerke at the Earth

Science Center of The Williamsport Area Community College. Phone 717-547-1661. Mr. Spoerke can also provide information on the open house.

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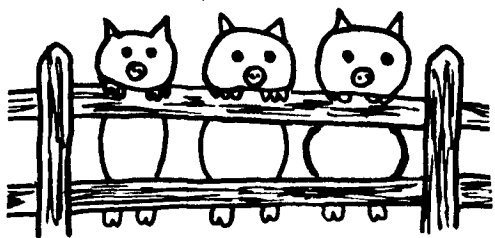


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