Local dairy promotion funds approved

HARRISBURG - The Pennsylvania Dairy Promotion Advisory Board approved more than \$33,000 in additional local promotion funding and elected a chairman and vice-chairman at its April 10 meeting.

Those groups receiving additional funding were: Adams County Holstein Club, \$100; Bedford County Dairy Princess and Promotion Committee, \$518; Berks County Dairy Farmers, \$2900; Blair County Dairy Promotion, \$1364; Bradford County Dairy Promotion Association, \$1225; Butler County Milk Promotion Committee, \$184; Central Region Young Dairymen, \$765; Centre County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$600; Chester County Milk Promotion Committee, \$504; Clarion County Holstein Club, \$700; Clarion County 4-H Dairy Club, \$190; Clarion-Venango Milk Promotion County Dairy Program, \$250; Columbia-Luzerne Dairy Princess Committee, \$300; Crawford County Dairy Promotion and Advertising Committee, \$2600; Cumberland County Milk Promotion Committee, \$180; Cumberland County Dairy Princess Committee, \$755; Eastern Milk Producers, Dairy Product Division, \$450; and Erie County Farmers Association, \$1000.

Also receiving funding were: Erie County Dairy Princess Program, \$90; Fayette County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$125;

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Franklin County Dairy Promotion, \$508; Hi-Protein Breeders, \$75; Huntingdon County Dairy Promotion, \$1882; Interstate Milk Producers Cooperative, \$2100; Jefferson County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$200; Juniata County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$725; Lancaster County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$554; Lebanon County Dairy Promotion, \$275; Lycoming County Dairy Association, \$750; McKean County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$250; Mercer County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$1200; Montgomery County Dairy Princess Committee, \$200; Perry County Milk Promotion Committee, \$210; Potter County M & M Company 4-H Club, \$79; Carol Sanders (radio advertising), \$559; Schuylkill County Dairy Committee, \$1935; Somerset County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$750; Southwest Dairy Promotion, \$643; SUN Area Dairy Princess Committee, \$335; Tioga

County Dairy Promotion, \$1310;

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Union County Holstein Club, \$200; Washington-Greene County Dairy Princess Committee, \$278; Wayne County Dairy Princess Committee, Wyoming-Lackawanna **\$**675: Dairy Princess Committee, \$450; Mifflin County Dairy Promotion Council, \$1520; York County Dairy Promotion Committee, \$450; and Sullivan County June Dairy Committee, \$200; Festival Crawford County Dairy Princess

In other business, board member Donald Duncan of Robesonia, Berks County, was elected to serve as chairman. Himself as a dairyman, Duncan ha served as former president of the Keystone Milk Marketing Council. He is also president of the Berks County Dairy Farmers Association.

Thad Woodward of Canton, Bradford County, was selected as the vice-chairman. He is manager of Fastern Milk Producers' Dairy

Products Division.

The two will direct the business of the 16-member panel created to oversee the dispersal of promotion funds and other transactions of the program.

The Pennsylvania Dairy Promotion is a voluntary program funded by dairy producers and designed to increase consumption and marketing of Pennsylvania

USDA orders dairy promotion referendum

The U.S. WASHINGTON -Department of Agriculture has issued an order to hold a referendum among dairy farmers in the 60-day period beginning Aug. 1 on whether the Dairy Promotion and Research program should be continued after Sept. 30, according to Secretary of Agriculture John R. Block.

Block said he is required to conduct the referendum under the

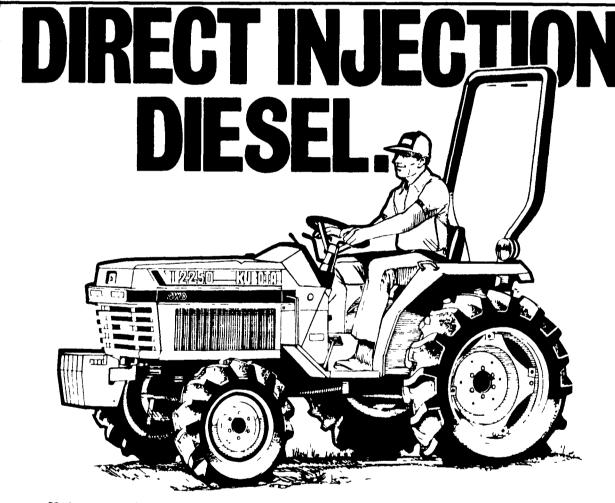
provisions of the Dairy and Tobacco Adjustment Act of 1983, which authorized the program.

All dairy farmers who were engaged during April 1985 in the production of milk for commercial use will be eligible to vote. A majority of the dairy farmers voting must favor continuation of the program for it to remain in effect.

The Dairy Promotion and

Research Program is financed by a 15-cent per hundredweight assessment on all milk produced in the contiguous 48 states and marketed commercially by dairy farmers. The program is administered by a board of 36 dairy farmers appointed by the secretary of agriculture with representation based on area milk production.

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