Pennsylvania To Host 22nd National DHI Convention

UNIVERSITY PARK - DHI delegates, wives and industry officials representing the nation's Dairy Herd Improvement Associations will participate in the 22nd National DHI Convention and Trade Show, at the Adams Mark Hotel, Philadelphia, March 9 to 12. Pennsylvania DHI with over 7,000 members, will serve as the official planner and host for the convention. Dean Amick of the Association is convention coordinator; Nelson Stoltzfus is convention chairman.

Among the special events planned for the convention is an all-day Biotechnology Conference on March 9. All dairymen from Pennsylvania and surrounding states are invited to the Biotechnology Conference. will Speakers address technological advances in the dairy industry and the impact on the individual dairyman's operation. Additionally, dairymen can examine the products of commercial exhibitors from across the country.

Special tours are planned for March 11 to the Maplebound Farms; Marlboro Mushrooms; Nelson Stoltzfus Farm; New Bolton Center; Oregon Dairy; New Holland Farm Museum; Way Lane Farm and Zimhaven Farm.

Tours to the Fairmount Park and Flower Show on Tuesday or Brandywine Valley on Thursday

are available for the ladies attending the convention.

The convention concludes Thursday, March 12, with the traditional departure banquet.

Dick Vermeil, former head coach

STATE COLLEGE - After he gave an outline of where agriculture has been, Wayne Rasmussen, former USDA historian, told students at Penn State recently that the number of U.S. farms declined in the last 50 years from 6.3 million to 2.4 million. The share of the implied working force in farming declined from 26 percent to 3.4 percent.

"I don't know what we're going

of the National Football League's Philadelphia Eagles, and currently a television sports commentator, will be the featured speaker.

Pre-registration for the con-

to do,"Rasmussen said. "But let me predict what agriculture will be like in the year 2040." As more efficiencies develop in the distribution process both farmers and consumers will

benefit. Out of necessity much more attention will begin to solve soil and water conservation. There will be new institutions to deal with the problem of capital investment in agriculture. There will be a new spirit of cooperation between farmers and people living in rural communities. The family farm will survive. Some will be larger, some

vention and optional events is encouraged. For more information, contact the staff at the Pennsylvania DHIA Service Center, Orchard Road, University Park, PA 16802, 814/865-1517.

Penn State Speaker Says

smaller. The smaller farms will be part-time, combining with production of food and off farm jobs with rural living and there will be more of them. No matter how we solve the land ownership problem, the larger commercial farms will still be family operated. Simply because that has been proven to be the most effective system available from the production of food and fiber. Much of the farm, directly old time farming, is already gone. Even more will disappear by 2040.

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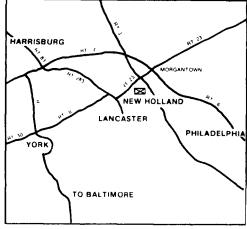
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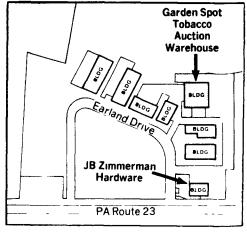
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