

## Lancaster Dairy Days Set For March 3 And 10

LANCASTER — The Lancaster County Dairy Days are scheduled for March 3 and 10 at the Farm and Home Center in Lancaster.

Speakers in the first week will focus on finances. During the second week, speakers will discuss reproduction, manure, fly control and housing options. Producers attending the second session in the morning will have the opportunity

to apply for pesticide applicator permits.

The session on March 3 begins at 9 a.m. James Hostetter, a Certified Public Accountant and farmer from Holtwood, will discuss ways to manage income profitably.

Following Hostetter, H. Louis Moore, Penn State economist, will point out what key indicators can tell you about the future of the

dairy business and what dairymen can expect in the future.

Lawrence Hutchinson, Penn State extension veterinarian, concludes the morning session with a presentation on new diseases, vaccines and drugs.

After lunch, Joseph Hlubik, Penn State dairy specialist, presents ideas for increasing profits on a

dairy farm.

Hutchinson returns to the podium to discuss new developments in mastitis control.

The program is expected to conclude by 2:45 p.m. on both days.

On March 10 the doors will open at 9 a.m. At 9:30 Mitchell Woodward, Penn State nutrient management specialist, will discuss safe and profitable application of manure and fertilizer.

The feature speaker for the day, is slated to follow Woodward. Dr. Austin Belschner, DVM, of the Cumberland Veterinary Clinic in Cumberland, Wis., will explain how a complete reproductive program helped Wisconsin dairymen reduce days open, improve first service conception rates, reduce culling rates, improve heat detection and dramatically reduce heat detection time.

Clarence Collison, Penn State entomologist, will talk about fly control.

Michael O'Connor, Penn State dairy specialist, is slated to discuss tools for improving reproductive efficiency.

The last speaker on the agenda is Robert Graves, of Penn State, will explain various heifer housing and

cow restraint options.

Producers attending Dairy Days will have the opportunity to visit exhibits by the following organizations:

Agmark Intermodal Systems Inc., Agri. Inc., American Breeders Service, American Cyanamide, American Diagnostic Sales Inc., Animal Medic Inc., Atlantic Breeders Cooperative, Atlantic Dairy Cooperative, Beacon Milling Company, Central Soya Company Inc., Charvin Farms, Coopers Animal Health Inc., Dauphin Deposit Bank, Elanco Products Company, Environmental Systems, F.M. Browns and Sons Inc., Fisher and Thompson, Hamilton Bank, J.B. Zimmerman and Sons Inc., Key-Aid Distributors, Lancaster Dairy Farm Automation, Lancaster Farm Credit, Martin Grain Company, Martin Water Conditioning, May-Co Supply Company, McCrackens Feed Mill Inc., MSD Agvet Division of Merck, Penn-Jersey Products Inc., Pennfield Feeds, Pfizer Inc., Ration Maker East, Rufus Brubaker Refrigeration, Star Silos, The Upjohn Company, Vigortone Ag Products, W/J Dairy Sales, White Oak Mills, and Youngs Minerals.

## 300 Attend Chemgro Meeting

Over 300 farmers attended a dinner meeting celebrating Chemgro Fertilizer Company's 20th anniversary last Thursday at Good & Plenty Restaurant. Featured speakers were Dave Thompson, Pa. Dept. of Agriculture, Wayne Marz from

Stauffer Chemical, Jim Bowersox, sales manager of Chemgro, Steve Fisher from FMC and Woody Funk, President of Chemgro.

Topics included weed control in corn and soybeans, corn soil insecticides, safe handling of pesticides and proper application

methods.

Jim Bowersox covered Chemgro's expanding role in custom application and agronomic services. The economics of crop production was discussed with an emphasis on least cost per bushel.

Woody Funk recognized the staff of Chemgro including Don Hartzler and Ken Glick from the Union Mill Division in Belleville, PA., and the winners of the Chemgro Club 200 contest. He highlighted Chemgro's advances in the past 20 years and introduced Chemgro's new line of hybrid seed corn.

Frequent questions by Buford Gunkle, goat and guinea farmer portrayed by Tom Geismann of Chemgro provided a humorous side to the informative meeting.



At the Chemgro meeting (left to right) Wayne Marz, Dave Thompson, Jim Bowersox, Woody Funk, Tom Geismann and Steve Fisher.

### Weekly Summary

Harrisburg, PA  
Friday, Feb. 27

Report supplied by PDA  
15 Livestock Markets

**CATTLE:** 5437. Compared with 5173 head last week and 5654 head a year ago. Sl. steers and heifers uneven; sl. cows 1.00-2.00 higher; sl. bullocks and bulls steady to 1.00 higher; High Choice & Prime 2-4 sl. steers 63.00-65.25, few to 66.25; Choice 59.75-64.25; Good 55.00-59.75; Standard 48.00-54.50; Choice sl. heifers 55.75-60.50, few to 61.50; Good 52.00-56.00; Standard 44.00-51.00; Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 41.00-46.50; Cutter & Boning Utility 39.00-44.00; Canner & Low Cutter 35.00-40.00; shells down to 28.00; Choice sl. bullocks 52.00-59.25; few Good 51.25-55.00; few Standard 46.50-51.75; YG 1, 1000-2000 lb. sl. bulls 48.00-54.85; YG 2, 900-1700 lb. 44.00-50.00.

**FEEDER CATTLE:** Steers Med. & Large 1, 300-600 lb. 58.00-70.00; few Med. 1, 600-900 lb. 48.00-58.00; heifers Med. 1, 300-600 lb. 55.00-65.00; few Large to 68.00; Med. 1 & 2 600-800 lb. 44.00-55.00; Med. & Large 1 bulls 300-600 lb. 55.00-69.00; 600-850 lb. 48.00-55.50.

**CALVES:** 3795. Compared with 2821 head last week and 3731 head a year ago. Vealers steady to 5.00 higher; few High Choice & Prime vealers 100.00-111.00; Choice 85.00-90.00, few to 100.00; Good 70.00-85.00; Standard & Good few 110-130 lb. 62.00-68.00; 90-110 lb. 48.00-

60.00; 65-85 lb. 45.00-55.00; Utility 50.00-100 lb. 30.00-45.00.

**FARM CALVES:** Hol. bulls 85-100 lb. 60.00-90.00; 100-120 lb. 85.00-125.00; hol. heifers 90-130 lb. 62.00-117.00; beef cross bulls and heifers 70-130 lb. 57.00-89.00.

**HOGS:** 4935. Compared with 4565 head last week and 5741 head a year ago. Barrows & Gilts 2.00-3.00 lower; US 1-2, 210-245 lb. 47.00-49.50; 1-3, 220-250 lb. 46.00-48.50; 2-3, 215-265 lb. 45.00-47.00; 2-4, 230-285 lb. 43.00-46.00; 1-3, 150-210 lb. 42.00-45.00; sows uneven; 1-3, 300-650 lb. 38.00-42.00, few to 44.00; 2-3, 300-685 lb. 35.00-38.00; boars 32.00-38.50.

**FEEDER PIGS:** 788. Compared with 808 head last week and 679 head a year ago. Steady to 5.00 lower; 1-3, 20-35 lb. 25.00-40.00; 35-50 lb. 39.00-54.00; 50-85 lb. 55.00-66.00; all per head.

**SHEEP:** 571. Compared with 477 head last week and 478 head a year ago. Woolled sl. lambs steady to 5.00 lower; High Choice & Prime 85-110 lb. woolled sl. lambs 79.00-85.00; Good & Choice 60-115 lb. 59.00-80.00; High Choice & Prime 80-110 lb. new crop lambs 80.00-120.00; sl. sheep 23.00-26.00.

**2 GRADED FEEDER PIG SALES:** 1317. Compared with 1776 head last week and 2089 head a year ago. Feeder pigs uneven; mostly steady to 7.00 lower; 1-2, 20-30 lb. 127.00-140.00; 30-40 lb. 116.00-131.00; 40-50 lb. 103.00-123.00; 50-60 lb. 98.00-118.00; 60-80 lb. 81.00-95.00; 2-3, 32-40 lb. 100.00-116.00; all per hundredweight.

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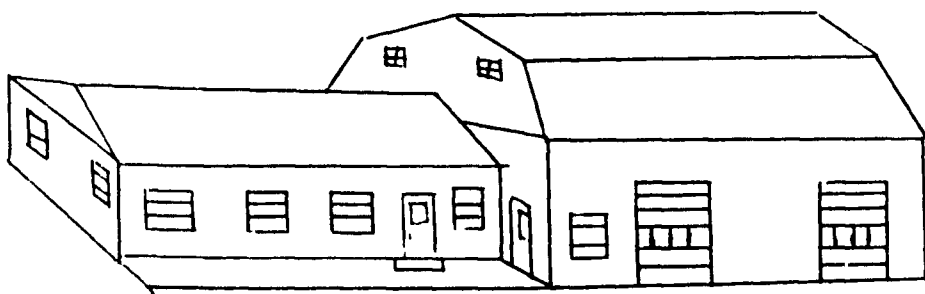
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