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The Harvest Season In Full Swing

Betrothed Couples Target Of Dairy Promotion

BY BONNIE HELMUM BRECHBILL
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CHAMBERSBURG — Engaged couples who apply for a marriage license in Franklin County will be getting something extra along with their license. The Franklin County Dairy Promotion Committee has put together a gift pack of dairy-related items which is being handed out by Franklin County Court personnel.

"As June is Dairy Month and also our busiest time for marriage licenses, the promotion is extremely timely," said Clerk of Courts Robert J. Woods of the first-time project.

The gift pack consists of a litter bag filled with dairy recipes, a key chain with the slogan "Milk — It's Fitness You Can Drink", exercise booklet, cholesterol counter, calorie chart, and a coupon for a free pound of butter.

According to Jane Upperman, Dairy Promotion Committee member, the recipe brochures were chosen for their appropriateness to a newly-married couple. Those included are: "Cooking for Two", and "Make it Fast in a Microwave". Upperman

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The harvesting of barley got underway in full swing this week. As shown at the Allen Mellinger farm, 127 Herr Road, Dennis Groff from Strasburg is operating the combine. By the time Lancaster Farming Editor Everett Newswanger caught up with this combine late Wednesday afternoon, the

stage was set for another beautiful Lancaster County harvest scene. Groff said their combine had just started a few days ago but the grain was flowing to indicate a good barley crop this year.

Farming Is Still Nation's Most Hazardous Occupation

BY JACK HUBLEY
Everyone wants to be number one. Unless, of course, that honor refers to the occupation with the highest accident rate. In that case, no profession is eager to challenge farming's position at the head of the list.

One group that's working to relinquish top honors is the National Institute for Farm Safety, a group of American and Canadian farm safety professionals dedicated to whittling away at

farming's casualty list. About 80 NIFS representatives from across the nation and Canada met at Lancaster's Treadway Resort Inn this week to discuss ways to make farming a safer occupation.

"The preliminary data suggest that we will again be the most hazardous occupation this year (1986)," says Dennis Murphy, Penn State's Extension safety specialist, who coordinated the 6-day meeting.

Murphy noted that, while the

mining and construction industries have improved their safety record considerably in recent years, farming's accident rate has improved only slightly. Murphy attributed the situation to the fact

that agriculture has no legislation or organized labor faction to delineate and enforce safety procedures. "The people themselves (farmers) want to be left alone," he said. "They accept it."

Tractor overturns are still the number-one cause of fatalities and serious injuries, Murphy said, followed by PTO entrapments and other equipment-related injuries.

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Small Grains Featured At SE Research Farm Field Day

BY JACK HUBLEY
LANDISVILLE — New winter barley varieties, winter wheat nitrogen requirements and small grains as forages were some of the highlights of a field day held at Penn State's Southeastern Field Research Laboratory in Landisville on Wednesday.

Small grain breeder Dr. Marvin Risius kicked off the tour of test plots with the introduction of two new winter barley varieties on test at the facility. Released jointly by Penn State and USDA's Agricultural Research Service, a new variety called Pennco outyielded other varieties including Maury, Pennrad and Barsoy, and showed good resistance to net blotch, leaf rust and powdery mildew, according to Risius.

1988. "Both have performed very well in this part of the state," Risius summed up.

Nitrogen and Winter Wheat Nitrogen application is more

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Dairy Of Distinction Farms Named At Banquet In District 10

POTTSTOWN — A recognition dinner for the farm families who have been named for the Dairy of Distinction awards in District 10 was held at Sunny Brook Restaurant here Thursday evening. The list of the winners who received a certificate and a large farm sign are as follows: David and Phoebe Bitler, Vista Grande Farm, Fleetwood; Cyrus and Sallie Bomberger, Meadow

Wood Farm, Lebanon; Paul and Verna Christman, Hamburg; Donald and Sherry Hoffer, Lebanon; Kirby and Sheryl Horst, Lynncrest Holsteins, Newraanstown; Clarence and Nancy Kulp, Clar-Nann Farm, Mohrsville; James and Cora Lindquist, Willow Ridge Farm, Buckingham; Wilmer and Robert Richard, Boyertown; Rothrock Golden

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John Yocum, senior research associate at Penn State's Southeastern Field Research Lab, examines one of the new winter barley varieties on test at the facility near Landisville.

Early Deadline

Because of the holiday the Lancaster Farming office will be closed on Friday, July 3

Public sale advertising deadline will be Monday, June 29 at 5 p.m.

Sec B classified ad deadline will be Tuesday, June 30 at 5 p.m.

Sec C classified ad deadline will be Wednesday, July 1 at 9 a.m.