## Farm Calendar



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ing, 7:30 p.m. Ringoes Grange Hall, Ringoes, N.J.

Drought Disaster Meetings "How it applies to York Co.,, Airville Fire Hall, 10-11:30 a.m. Jefferson Fire Hall, 1:30 to 3 p.m. and Dover High School, 7:30 to 9

Friday, October 14 Choice Plus Club Calf Sale, Mercer 4-H Park, Mercer 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 15 Food for Peace Regional Conference, David Mead Inn, Meadville, 12 noon.

Monday, October 17 Park City Farm Week, 17 through 21.

Penn State Tax Workshop through Oct. 18, Souderton, 12 miles south of Quakertown on Rt. 309, 2 miles west on Rt. 113. Family Heritage restaurant, Franconia.

Atlantic Dairy Coop Dist. 32 meeting, 7 p.m., Virginville Grange.

Tuesday, October 18 Franklin Co. Holstein Sale, 7 p.m., Chambersburg.

Thursday, October 20 National Poultry Health meeting, Sheraton Fontainebleau, Ocean City, Md.

Penn State Tax Workshop, through 21st. Route 220, Arena Restaurant, north of turnpike Interchange.

Feeder Calf Sale, Mercer Livestock Auction, Mercer 7 p.m. Park City Farm Show, Lancaster, through the 22nd.

Friday, October 21 Dairymen Luncheon meeting, Sheraton Inn, Gettysburg, 12:30 p.m.

Saturday, October 22 Western PA Pork Producers Day, Cranberry Motor Lodge, Warrendale, 9 a.m.

Antique Engine Tractor and Toy Club meeting, Kempton Fire Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Eastern Reports Record Cash Bonuses

SYRACUSE, N.Y.— Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative reported lower sales and proceeds for the 1988 fiscal year, but also announced a record payout of \$3.2 million in cash bonuses to its farmer-owners.

Eastern marketed 2.1 billion pounds of milk for its members during the fiscal year ending March 31, 1988, resulting in sales of \$261 million and net proceeds of \$139,000. Those audited results compare with sales of \$298.6 million and net proceeds of \$233,000 for fiscal 1987. In fiscal '87 the coop marketed 2.33 billion pounds of

"The sales decline resulted from a drop in government-controlled milk prices, and from lower volume due to a high percentage of Northeast dairy farmers going out of business," General Manager Michael Donovan said during the co-op's annual meeting Oct. 4-5 in Syracuse, N.Y.

R. LaVerne McCarty, the dairy farmer president of Eastern's board of directors, noted that the reduced net proceeds were partly a result of the cooperative's decision early in the fiscal year to pay far-

cash bonuses) that Eastern was able to negotiate with customers. These premiums were above the government-set price for farmers'

Eastern farmers received in excess of \$2.7 million in premiums obtained from customers -- plus, Eastern paid out nearly \$300,000 from its own coffers as special fall premiums. The fall premium program -- designed to encourage farmers to shift milk production away from the "spring flush" period to the fall when milk volumes are lower -- "accomplished its objective and provided the cooperative with additional fall milk to meet its contractual requirements," Dono-

The general manager also commended the employees of Eastem's Dairy Products Division for record sales of \$8.2 million and profitable operations for the 9th consecutive year. The division, with offices in Canton, operates six dairy stores in Pennsylvania and New York, and product delivery routes covering 30,000 customers in an 11-state area.

"This division, which is being

mers directly all premiums (or restructured as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Eastern Milk Producers, is continuing to aggressively expand both store sales and its rural route distribution with positive results for its cooperative owners,' Donovan said.

In the election of offices Thursday afternoon, R. LaVerne McCarty, Forksville, was re-elected president, George Haddad, Bainbridge, NY, re-elected treasurer and C. Lee Greenwalt, Lawrenceville, re-elected secretary.

Lewis Gardner, Galeton, was elected vice-president and Ed Schoen, Phelps, was elected assistant secretary-treasurer.

Harold Bailey, State College, was elected director from District 13 to replace retiring director Norman Fyock, Osterburg. Other directors are: Robert Gable, Newport; George Mesick, South Schodack, NY; Erwin Clark, Vergennes, VT; Ralph Densiow, Boonville, NY; and Noel Davis, Unadilla, NY. Also, Lee Ressler, Conestoga; Merle Colwell, Wendsor, NY; Dale Paulhamus, Jersey Shore; Timothy Bryant, Pawlet, VT; George Fuller, Cohocton, NY; and Charles Freligh, Coyuga, NY.

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