

# Staubach To Address National Corn Growers

ST. LOUIS, MO. — Roger Staubach, former star quarterback for the Dallas Cowboys, will be one of the keynote speakers at the 1989 National Corn Growers Association's Corn Classic.

Staubach will address Classic attendees at the general session scheduled for Monday morning, February 27, where a record crowd of more than 2,000 is expected.

The 31st annual NCGA Corn Classic is set for February 26-28 at Stouffer Nashville Hotel and Con-

vention Center in Nashville, TN.

Staubach is expected to share some of the personal and professional challenges with which he has been confronted, and how he turned those challenges into opportunities.

He has been recognized as a leader on and off the football field since he was a midshipman at the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis, MD. In 1963, Staubach was named the recipient of college football's top honor, the Heisman

Trophy. He became the first athlete ever to win the Maxwell Award in both college and pro football, and was a two-time consensus All American at Navy.

As a Dallas Cowboy, he led the team to four Super Bowls.

At present, he is president of The Staubach Company, a diversified commercial real estate company headquartered in Dallas.

"We're pleased to have such an

outstanding person kickoff our 1989 Corn Classic," says Jim Hoeft, chairman of the event.

Hoeft anticipates the largest trade show ever and a record attendance at the Corn Classic. "If a corn grower could attend only one meeting in 1989, the Corn Classic should be the one," Hoeft adds.

Although the Classic officially opens on Sunday, February 26, the

first 1,000 people who register by January 16 will receive a free ticket to the Grand Ole Opry for the February 25, Saturday night performance.

For Corn Classic registration and hotel reservation form, contact Patricia at the National Corn Growers Association, 1000 Executive Parkway, Suite 105, St. Louis, MO 63141 (314/275-9915).

## PSU Animal Disease Lab Renamed

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre) — Penn State's Animal Disease Laboratory has been renamed the Animal Diagnostic Laboratory. The new name does not indicate new responsibilities but more accurately describes the laboratory's responsibilities.

The lab has always diagnosed both diseases and production failures of birds and mammals, according to Dr. Thomas Drake, extension veterinarian for the laboratory. The new name better represents the laboratory as a resource for veterinarians, extension agents, producers and others who need questions answered about disease and production problems.

Drake says that poultry and livestock—cattle, swine, sheep and goats—make up the majority of cases they receive. The laboratory also works with horses, cats, dogs and even wild animals such as raccoons and deer.

The Penn State lab is one of three diagnostic laboratories for mammals and one of four labs for birds in Pennsylvania. The other mammal labs are in Summerdale near Harrisburg and Kennett Square in Chester County. The other bird labs are in Delaware Valley, Summerdale, and Kennett Square.

Laboratory staff members perform tests for bacteria, virus, parasites, nutrition, toxins and many other animal health factors. They make diagnoses with appropriate animal samples and perform autopsies when needed.

The veterinary staff handles calls during regular weekday hours. A cooler to receive carcasses and specimens is open 24 hours. Cards are available to tag carcasses and specimens. The lab is located on Orchard Road near the DHIA Milk Testing Lab.

The laboratory is supported by Penn State and the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. Most fees for single services are under \$25, depending on the type of service provided and the species and size of the animal.

For a fee schedule and test directory, call the Animal Diagnostic Laboratory, (814) 863-0837. This schedule lists many of the tests that the lab performs and specifies what animal samples to send, how to send samples and which tests are done by referral. This information also is available on the College of Agriculture's electronic information system, PENpages, under the title "Veterinary Diagnostic Investigation Center," page 0980110.

## Delaware Vegetable Growers To Meet

NEWARK, DE — The eleventh annual meeting of the Vegetable Growers Association of Delaware will be held on January 12 and 13, 1989, at the Sheraton Inn, Dover. Co-sponsoring the meeting are the Delaware Potato Growers Association, the Delaware Direct Market Association and University of Delaware Cooperative Extension.

Featured speakers at this year's meeting will include Pieter Westerbeek, county agent from Sampson County, N.C. Mr. Westerbeek will describe the vegetable region he works in as well as several new production techniques in transplant production and pepper production.

In another presentation, an innovative farmer from Eden, N.Y., Bill Zittel, will share some of his production and marketing strategies. He grows a wide range of processing and fresh-market crops and markets them in a variety of ways.

The two-day meeting will include sessions on direct marketing, processing crops, potatoes, general vegetable production and farm labor housing. In addition, many timely production recommendation updates will be presented.

Thirty exhibitors will be on hand with displays of the latest in seed, chemicals, packaging, irrigation equipment and vegetable products.



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