Alfred State Celebrates National Ag Day

ALFRED, NY — Students at Alfred State College will be offering everything from a milking contest to the Ag Olympics this year as they observe National Agriculture Day.

Scheduled Wednesday, April 19, from 9:00 a.m. to late afternoon, the event is expected to attract even greater numbers than previous years because of the April date.

In the past, the college attempted to stay in step with the rest of the nation by observing Ag Day on or about the date in March that was designated for such a celebration. Because of the uncertainty of weather much of that month, however, officials decided to move to an April date.

"We should get a better break (from the weather) in April," a spokesperson said, explaining that many of the day's activities are held outdoors.

Among major events this year will be farm tours, hayrides (tractor drawn), sheep shearing, milking demonstration, milking contest, and a variety of exhibits both indoors and outdoors in the central dining hall area of campus.

The Ag Olympics are scheduled to start at 3:00 p.m. in the same outdoor area and again will feature students competing in such popular contests as cow chip tossing, egg toss, bale throwing, milk chuga-lug, ice cream eating, and tug-of-

One of the day's highlights is the cow milking contest in which the school of agriculture dean, James Thompson, will be out to defend his title against all student challengers.

Another attraction will be the

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The Market Situation Report addresses lamb and sheep inventories, livestock slaughter, imports, exports and changes in lamb marketing and structures. It analyzes the 1988 U.S. wool market and provides an outlook for 1989, in addition to summarizing Australian, New Zealand and South African wool markets.

The Wool Source List provides detailed information of spinners, woolen mills, dyers and finishers.

The Wool White Pages lists potential contacts such as buyers, suppliers, those who work with pelts, processors, warehouses and wool pools.

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appearance of two dairy princesses who have accepted the students' invitation to participate in Ag Day.

Dispensing ice cream and other dairy products to the many youngsters from area schools who are expected here will be Marcie Emerson, an Alfred-Almond Centreal junior who reigns as 1989

Allegany County Dairy Princess, and Heidi Bossard, a junior at Canisteo Central, who is the 1989 Steuben County Dairy Princess and alternate New York State Dairy Princess.

Besides an ice cream treat, the youngsters and other visitors will view live animals and exhibits that feature ice cream and butter making, a cider press, farm machinery, and horticulture displays.

College students will have their evening meal served by faculty of the school of agriculture, who are arranging a farm-style dinner with a menu that promotes agriculture's role in good nutrition.

Industry Source Guides Available Sheep

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Chester County 4-H Alumni Sought

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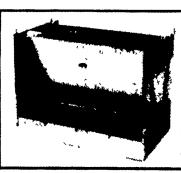
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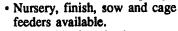


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