

Chester-Delaware Farmers Announce Food Price Survey

OXFORD (Chester Co.) — Directors of the Chester/Delaware Farmer's Association approved the preparation of a report on a food price survey being prepared by Women's Committee at their monthly meeting in West Chester.

Dorothy Bartels, West Grove, Chairman of the Women's Com-

mittee, said that the study is tracking the changes and increases in food prices both locally and nationwide. She pointed out that a few years ago, a dollar for the price of a bread was unthinkable. It was pointed out that the farmer receives less than 5 cents of the retail price of a loaf of bread.

Plans are being made for the formation of a mushroom commodity committee to advise and prepare policy for the Farmer's Association and the Pennsylvania Farmer's Association. This will provide further exposure for mushroom grower's concerns in the public forum.

Elmer Mast, Parkesburg, chairman of the Policy Development Committee urged Directors to attend the organization meeting on August 9 at 8:30 a.m. Mast said that all members should be involved in preparing policy statements that will pertain to local affairs as well as state and national issues.

Bartels told Directors that Chester/Delaware Farmer's Association will be hosting Ladies Day Out, for nine area counties, on June 1 at the Red Rose Inn. The speaker will be Dick Hutton from Star Roses speaking of "Roses For You." Each person attending will receive a rose. "Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling 869-2126 on or before May 24," Bartels said. She urged that women members of the Farmer's Association register and attend to act as hostesses for the event.

Ed Koncle, Regional Organization Director, P.F.A., announced a meeting of Bucks, Montgomery, and Chester/Delaware Directors on August 8 at the Gilbertsville Fire Hall. A Legislative update evening meeting will be held

August 7, at Yoder's in New Holland.

"Present county membership stands at 640 with 40 new members," Richard Breckbill, President, Oxford, reported. An additional 40 members are needed to reach this year's goal. Linda Hicks will be membership processor for 1990 applications. Dues will remain at \$75 for next year's membership.

Breckbill stressed that non-farmers are eligible for associate membership. Associate membership entitles them to insurance benefits, purchasing Safemark products through local dealers and support of farmer's policy. Information about associate membership may be obtained by calling Breckbill at 932-3307, Mast at 593-5855, Hicks at 436-8444 or any other Director.

Charles Moore and Barclay Hoopes were named Co-Chairmen for the annual meeting to be held Thursday, September 28.

Roy Christman, Hamburg, Regional Director of P.F.A. led a discussion on the ramifications of the Tax Reform Bill proposed by the State.

Maryland Guernsey Breeders

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Sr. 2 Yr. Old Cow

Milk - Crown Stone Emory Oatmeal, Wm. Schnebly, 15,690; Fat - Crown Stone Emory Oatmeal, Wm. Schnebly, 761; Protein - Rocky Maple Admiral Tuxs, Harry L. Frey & Sons, 554.

3 Year Old Cow

Milk - Pemberton T.F. Tiara, William B. Messix III, 19,520; Fat - Pemberton T.F. Tiara, 913; Protein - Pemberton T.F. Tiara, 691.

4 Year Old Cow

Milk - Crown Stone Fancy Maggie, Seth Schnebly, 18,830; Fat - Mt Ararat Fancy Cora, Mt. Ararat Farms, 886; Protein - Mt. Ararat Fancy Cora, Mt. Ararat Farms, 644.

Mature Cow

Milk - Guernland M. A. Art, England Farms, Inc., 19,710; Fat - Larry K Choice Carmine, William B. Messix III, 905; Protein - Larry K Choice Carmine, William B. Messix III, 712.

10 Years and Older Cow

Milk - Nevara Holly Angel, C. Nevin Frey & Sons, 15,040; Fat - Guernland C. Blossom, England Farms, Inc. 668; Protein - Nevara Holly Angel, C. Nevin Frey & Sons, 484.

TOP TEN HERDS IN MARYLAND

Herd	Milk	Fat
William B. Messix III	28.5	14,811M
Dix-Lee Farm	11.8	14,449M
John & Wm. Schnebly	67.1	14,204M
England Farms Inc.	59.6	13,921M
Marvin Kinsinger	34.7	13,461M
Bill P. Slater	10.2	13,343M
Harry L. Frey & Sons	92.1	13,183M
O. Clayton Smith	8.7	12,747M
Unicorn Associates Inc.	15.8	12,101M
Mt. Ararat Farms	106.0	11,837M

FAT

Herd	FAT	BF%
William B. Messix III	697	4.71
Dix-Lee Farm	659	4.56
England Farms Inc.	637	4.58
John & Wm. Schnebly	629	4.43
Harry L. Frey Jr. & Sons	615	4.66
Bill P. Slater & Sons	593	4.44
Mt. Ararat Farms	593	5.01
Marvin Kinsinger	591	4.39
O. Clayton Smith	563	4.41
Edward M. Beard	543	4.80

PROTEIN

Herd	Protein	P%
William B. Messix III	527P	3.56%
Dix-Lee Farm	510P	3.53%
England Farms Inc.	506P	3.64%
John & Wm. Schnebly	499P	3.51%
Marvin Kinsinger	485P	3.60%
Bill P. Slater & Sons	483P	3.62%
Harry L. Frey & Sons	465P	3.53%
O. Clayton Smith	435P	3.41%
Dogwood Lane Farm	423P	3.67%
Mt. Ararat Farm	422P	3.57%

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