

Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders To Hold 60th Meeting

ENON VALLEY (Lawrence Co.) — The Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association is planning its 60th annual meeting to be held at the Holiday Inn in Chambersburg, on April 12 and 13.

According to James Trotter, spokesperson for the association, highlights of this year's meeting include the 60th annual business meeting, a meeting of the Middle Atlantic Guernsey Sires, hospitality tour, annual banquet with awards, the crowning of the 1991 Pennsylvania Guernsey Queen, the juniors craft auction, speaker Ron Eberhard, a junior awards breakfast, farm tours, sales luncheon and the annual Blue Halter Calf and Bred Heifer sale.

The event is to be held mostly at the Holiday Inn, in Franklin County, located on Wayne Avenue near Rt. 316.

The two-day event starts at noon Friday and ends after the sale Saturday afternoon.

Reservations for meals and room reservations at the Holiday Inn must be made by March 29.

To make room reservations, call the Holiday Inn at (717) 263-3400 and specify that you are with the Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association. Children under 18 who are staying with their parents will not be charged extra for a room. Rates are \$45 each for single and double accommodations.

The speaker at the banquet, Eberhard bills himself as a seminar leader, motivational speaker and humorist. He earned a bachelor of science degree from Ohio State University in 1958 and was awarded the Distinguished Alumni Award from its College of Agri-

culture in 1977.

After graduation, he farmed with his father for almost five years on a 210 acre farm, then served as business manager for the Ohio Guernsey Breeders' Association for more than 8 years.

He then went into business for himself, forming a company that focuses on improving communication and business planning within farm families. His business spans a 30-state region.

Eberhard also made and sold an audio cassette series called, "Keeping the Farm in the Family and the Family on the Farm."

He has also developed multi-projector slide presentations based on different and famous sayings he is fond of collecting.

He and his wife Toni live on the family farm near Grove City, Ohio.

State FFA Officers Tour

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involved in agriculture from both peers and adults. But I feel that the pressure stems from a lack of knowledge on those individuals because if you mention agriculture, the only thing they think of is farming. They don't think about aquaculture, hydroponics, veterinary medicine—all the new wave agriculture."

When asked to discuss the effect of new technical advances in agriculture over the next few years, the students listed additional use of computers and crops that don't need chemical sprays as things they expected for agriculture. Some said there would be fewer farmers and the people who will be farming 10 years from now will be more efficient.

ANTOINETTE GOMEZ, state secretary: "Technological advances are needed by agriculture because just as any industry, ag must develop to the wants and needs of our society. This can be done by marketing the product of our toil, creating equipment which is more efficient and makes the farmer's job less time consuming, and opening up foreign trade opportunities.

JOHN RISHEL, state sentinel: "I feel the small family farms are doomed unless they start working like large technically advanced corporations. You can't do things the way they were done when you were young."

JENNIFER BROWN, north central region vice president: "Agriculture will be more of a cooperative industry. I hate to say that the number of family farms will be reduced because I live on one, but they will. Agriculture will be targeted more toward the city.

On the question of how important is the ag curriculum in the school system, the young visitors were divided. Some said it was important because there would always be agriculture in the society. Others took the view that it often did not prepare the student for advanced education or even for work in the "real world".

KEITH HAY, state president: "Students have the opportunity to have hands on training that no other program offers. FFA members have many more experience opportunities than regular high school students.

ERIC MARSHALL, state treasurer: "Agriculture is the most important part of a school's curriculum. It teaches not only agriculture, but also, math, science, history, English and many skills which are needed after school. LARRY SMELTZ, south central vice president: "Agricultural education is very important to me because it gave me direction in life to where I was headed."

GREGORY HARNISH, state vice president: "Programs like football, wrestling, national honor society and band rank well above the agriculture program.

What has ag education and FFA done for you? Where do you want to be in five to ten years from now?

HERSCH: "In FFA I have been helped because I have gained self-confidence, discovered my talents, and learned to communicate. I have been able to develop a positive character to be ready for life.

"In five years, I plan to be out of school actively pursuing either a career in motivational public speaking or full-time Christian work."

ZERBY: The FFA has given me more than any other program or organization that I've ever been involved with, and it has given me the ability to live my life to its fullest potential.

"I plan to go into an agricultural career field."

FEESER: "The leadership is the main point because you only learn so much on your own.

"My goals are to become a teacher of math or ag and also take control of the family farm and continue to raise show hogs for "Feeser's Hog Farm."

FRANKE: "I have gained a future that is very bright because I am a more confident and responsible person as well as a person who is more wise to the world around him in all aspects. And the best part of all, I have made the best friends in the whole world this past year serving as an FFA state officer.

I want to be either teaching agricultural education or operating a dairy farm somewhere in Pennsylvania."

GOMEZ: "I have developed self-confidence, leadership, and desirable personality characteristics through my involvement in FFA. It's allowed me to be a positive person and to influence others to set goals and strive toward them.

"Five years from now I see myself entering my first year of graduate school for a masters in animal science or entering the University of Pennsylvania Veterinary School."

RISHEL: "I have experienced people and places that I originally would not have met or seen.

"I hope to acquire my own dairy farm."

BROWN: "I have developed leadership, and received a fantastic overview of agriculture. I have received the inspiration to study agriculture in school and never to limit myself in what I can do.

"For the future, as I see it, I have two options: 1. in graduate school working for a PHD in my major, agriculture education, so I can teach at the college level or 2. in law school studying agricultural law."

HAY: "I have developed leadership and the ability to set goals. FFA has taken me to sights and lands where I would never have gone without it.

"I hope to be involved in sales or service to agriculturalists to make agriculture the most profitable."

MARSHALL: "Through the FFA, I have gained knowledge of our economy and government. I have gained self-confidence and self-esteem."

"Ten years from now, I see myself owning my own business and being successful in it."

SMELTZ: "I have met many new people and have developed many new friendships which will last a lifetime."

"In five years I see myself working in an ag economics field and someday will return to the farm."

HARNISH: "I have gained a sense of direction and have been made more aware of the world around me. I have learned the qualities of cooperation and responsibility."

"I want to continue to work for an agricultural marketing firm as a commodity futures broker."

The FFA state officer tour started in Philadelphia on Wednesday and came to Lancaster Thursday evening. After the visit to Lancaster Farming and a working session at a local motel, the state officers returned home Friday afternoon. Sheila Reiner, state FFA executive secretary, was on tour with the group. Mary Jo Cancelmo, executive director of the Pennsylvania FFA Foundation, and Jim Kerr, principal of the Walter Biddle Saul High School in Philadelphia, provided leadership Philadelphia visits.

Pa. Guernsey Breeders' Association

60th Annual Meeting Schedule of Events

April 12-13

Holiday Inn, Chambersburg

Friday, April 12

noon..... Lunch available on your own at the Holiday Inn
12:30 p.m..... Registration begins
2 p.m..... 60th Annual Business Meeting
3:30 p.m..... Middle Atlantic Guernsey Sires Meeting
5:30 p.m..... Hospitality Hour
6:30 p.m..... 60th Annual Awards Banquet
with dinner, adult production awards
and open All Pennsylvania Awards,
speaker Ron Eberhard, crowning of
the state Guernsey Queen.
10 p.m..... Social

Saturday, April 13

8 a.m..... Pa. Junior GBA Awards Breakfast
9:30 a.m..... Farm Tours
noon..... Sales Luncheon at the Cham-
bersburg Rod & Gun Club, followed
by the Blue Halter Calf Sale.

1991 Guernsey Breeders Annual Meeting

Meal Reservation Form

(Deadline for reservations is March 29)

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____ PHONE _____

Meal reservations are for a Friday evening awards banquet hot buffet; a Saturday youth awards breakfast buffet; and a light luncheon for the Blue Halter Calf Sale and Bred Heifer Sale.

Adult Banquet Tickets

I would like _____ tickets at \$12.50 each. _____

Child (under 11) Banquet Tickets _____

I would like _____ tickets at \$6.50 each. _____

Youth Awards Breakfast _____

I would like _____ tickets at \$6.50 each. _____

Adult Sale Luncheon _____

I would like _____ tickets at \$5 each. _____

Child (under 11) Sale Luncheon _____

I would like _____ tickets at \$3 each. _____

Total _____

SEND YOUR FORM WITH CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

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