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Beef Expo 'Unqualified Success'

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STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.)— Pennsylvania's second Beef Expo was an "unqualified success," according to chairman Glenn Eberly. The Expo, which is jointly sponsored by the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association and its affiliates, Penn State, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, and the Pennsylvania Beef Council, took place here March 28-30.

This year, junior heifer and steer shows were added to the list of activities, which include a cow-calf symposium, trade show, performance-tested bull sale, breed female sales, PCA annual meeting and awards banquet, and a barbecue.

At the 18th Performance-Tested Bull Sale on Friday, 60 lots grossed \$108,650 for an average of \$1,811. Top seller was a polled Hereford with the current top index for adjusted yearling weight from Slayton at Falklands Farm, Shellsburg. Calvin Saylor of Rocky Ridge, MD, was the buyer.

The breakdown by breeds in the bull sale was (1) Simmental - 18 lots grossed \$28,800, \$1,600 average; top seller, \$4,100 consigned by Laurel Valley Farm, Ligonier, bought by Charles Antle, State College. (2) Angus - 16 lots grossed \$30,850, \$1,928 average; top seller - \$2,700, consigned by Indian Creek Farm, Stahlstown, bought by William Cowden,

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Glenn and Mildred Wissler's home is the only working farm open for tour during Ephrata's fourth annual Kitchen Kaper Tulp Tour on April 22. Read about the Wissler's Clearview Farm Bed and Breakfast and details of the tour on page B14. Photo by Lou Ann Good.

State Poultry Federation Banquet Scheduled

HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.)—The Pennsylvania Poultry Federation has set April 25 for the annual fund-raising banquet. Each year the poultry industry, related agri-business and individuals support a grand banquet and evening of entertainment to acquire operating funds for the year.

This year's gala event in the Hershey Convention Center features an old-fashioned variety show with entertainment's newest stars who feature the pop/country/gospel music of Chisholm and the comedy/impressions/dancing of Finis Henderson.

The social begins at 5:30 p.m. with dinner at 7:00 p.m. The ticket price is \$125.

According to the *Poultry Post*, the Federation's monthly publication, the ticket price is about what you would pay for a dinner and Broadway show in New York City. But because the Federation can amortize the banquet costs over large numbers of people, the Federation nets 75 percent of its annual operating budget in this one evening. More important, the banquet provides an enjoyable way to support the Federation and avoid unacceptable and unreasonable membership dues.

Anyone who would like more information about the banquet may call the Federation's office in Harrisburg. Phone: (717) 652-7530.

Alfalfa Industry Award Winners Named

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.)—John E. Baylor was named the alfalfa industry award winner and Milton Hershey School Farms of Hershey, represented by Richard Hann, was named the outstanding alfalfa producer for the Northeastern region by the Certified Alfalfa Seed Council at its 1991 alfalfa awards program. The announcement was made by Council President John Lyons, Pioneer Hi-Bred International, at the 21st National Alfalfa Symposium held in Rochester, Minnesota.

Prior to Dr. Baylor's retirement

from Penn State in 1983, he developed extension educational programs related to forage crop improvement, including a state-wide alfalfa grower's program. Dr. Baylor most recently served as director of market development for the Beachley-Hardy Seed Company, where he continued to promote alfalfa throughout the mid-Atlantic and northeastern regions. He was associated with the Certified Alfalfa Seed Council since it was formed and served on its advisory committee for approximately 25 years.

Dr. Baylor's work in agronomic extension and industry have spanned over 40 years, with a mission to train and inspire co-workers and agricultural producers to improve alfalfa and forage production. He has authored numerous books including the *Haymakers Handbook* which deals with all phases of alfalfa production. He currently serves as President of the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council and is active in the American Society of Agronomy.

Milton Hershey School Farms use alfalfa as a main component in feeding nearly 600 milk cows and a herd of 1000+ dry cows and heifers. Alfalfa yields at MHSF have averaged from 6 to nearly 9.5 tons per year during the past 15 years. In the nationally-recognized alfalfa growers program sponsored by Pennsylvania State University and the Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council, MHSF took grand champion honors not only with their high yields, but also with quality as an important factor in the rating equation.

While urban development has cut into the School's acreage on

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Daylight Time Starts Sunday

Daylight Savings Time will start officially at 2 o'clock on Sunday morning, April 7. If you want to keep up with the rest of the world, set the clocks at the house and at the barn ahead one hour. You can get a running start on "fast" time by readjusting the clocks forward on Saturday night.



The Pennsylvania DHIA directors met in State College this week and reorganized as follows: William Itle, Cambria County, president; Norman Hershey, Lancaster County, vice president; Joseph Lyons, Columbia County, secretary; and Gary Truckenmiller, Northumberland County, treasurer. Donald Duncan, Berks County was seated as a new director and the resignation of Nelson Stoltzfus, Chester County was regrettably accepted. Stoltzfus served 10 years on the state DHIA board, but plans to disperse his herd in April.

In the photo are, left to right, front row, Clyde Robinson, Washington County; Lyons; Hershey; Itle; Truckenmiller; Brooks Smith, Perry County; and Frank Orner, Clearfield County.

Standing, Stanley Brubaker, Potter County; George Cudoc, Butler County; Rob Kocher, Centre County; John Foster, Huntingdon County; Duncan; Robert Kindig, Lancaster County, national president; Dennis Daubert, Schuylkill County; William Jackson, Fayette County; John Wilcox, Bradford County; and John Castrogiovanni, Susquehanna County. See Focus page A30.