



Park Myers nudges the oxen on . . . and hopes to sell all 4,500 pounds of them to a farmer who wants gentle, very hard working animals for a variety of farm chores and also for tourist attractions. Photo by Andy Andrews.

Some Gentle Oxen For Sale

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MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — Park Myers hopes he gets some response.

He recently purchased two Holstein oxen from Belleville Auction in Mifflin Co. They were born and worked in Somerset Co.

All 4,500 pounds of them, for a total of \$4,000.

"They're only three years old," he said.

Myers wants to advertise in farm papers and hopes to sell them privately.

"They're really easy to handle, and they keep on going," said Myers. "They can harrow, plow, and haul, and they really work hard. They're gentle around kids."

Myers said the animals are "easy to talk to and will work 8 to 10 hours a day," he said.

The Holstein oxen were pulling a corn wagon on Quarry Rd. near Manheim last week. Myers said the cattle were hauled from the auction in a cattle trailer.

"They'd be great in parades, tourist attractions, or petting zoos," he said.

Pa. Game Commission Hearing Examines Crop Damage Problems

CAMP HILL (Cumberland Co.) — Farmers with crop damage problems should plan to attend the nearest upcoming Pennsylvania Game Commission hearing on deer management, according to Mel Eckhaus, director of local affairs for the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association (PFA).

The Game Commission will be conducting six regional public meetings this month to review past and present deer herd management practices and to discuss future management plans.

"We're encouraging farmers with deer damage problems to get to the meeting early," said Eckhaus. "Anyone who signs up before the meetings will be given the first 15 minutes to share their concerns."

Each meeting is scheduled to run from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Locations and directions are as follows:

Northwest Region — June 12 at the Rocky Grove Fire Hall, approximately two miles north of Franklin on Route 417.

Southwest Region — June 13 at the Latrobe High School Auditorium. From Route 30, travel south on Route 981 toward the Latrobe Airport. Travel one-fourth mile and take the first road to the left. Travel one and one-half miles to the Latrobe High School on the left.

Northcentral Region — June 19 at the Bucktail Area High School Auditorium, approximately one mile south of Renovo on Route 120.

Southcentral Region — June 20 at the Indian Valley Middle School Auditorium, located two miles west of Reedsville on Route 322 near Milroy.

Southeast Region — June 24 at the Schuylkill Valley High School Auditorium, one mile south of Leesport at the intersection of Route 61 and Route 73.

Northeast Region — June 25 at the Tunkhannock High School Auditorium, located along Route 6, east of Route 29 in Tunkhannock.

Signs will be posted to help individuals find the meeting locations.

PFA plans to present testimony during the meetings.

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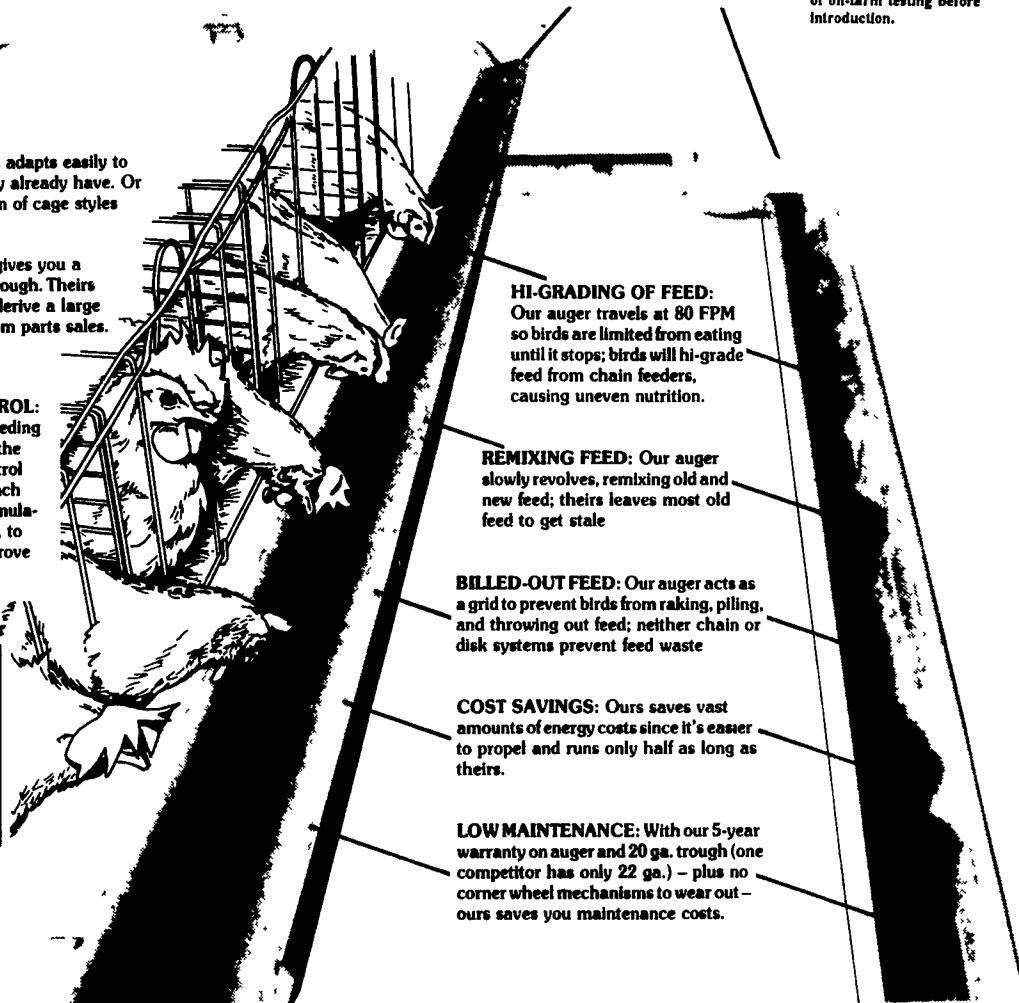
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