

Atlantic Dairy To Host 74th Annual Meeting

SOUTHAMPTON (Berks Co.) — "Facing the Future With Confidence" is the theme of Atlantic Dairy Cooperative's 1991 annual meeting, which will be held Nov. 21-22 at the Lancaster Host Resort in Lancaster.

The 74th annual meeting of the cooperative will begin on Thursday, Nov. 21, at 9:45 a.m. with reports by Atlantic's officers and management staff. Dr. Paul E. Hand, general manager, will present his report to the cooperative members during the afternoon program, which begins at 1:20 p.m.

Following Dr. Hand's report will be a presentation by Wayne A. Boutwell, president of the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives based in Washington, D.C.

The annual banquet will begin Thursday night at 6:15 p.m. in the Lancaster Showroom. Dr. Lamar-tine F. Hood, dean of Penn State's College of Agriculture, will serve as master of ceremonies.

The guest speaker will be Colonel Charles Scott, who was a prisoner in the Iran hostage ordeal from 1979-1981. Entertainment will be provided by Atlantic members and Young Cooperators Daryl and Brenda Crider of St. Thomas.

The business meeting will resume Friday morning, Nov. 22, at 7 a.m. with the Young Cooperator Breakfast Program. Speaker Kent Tekulve, special assistant/marketing for the Pittsburgh Pirates, will present a motivational message. In addition, Atlantic will

honor its 1991 Agricultural Communicator Award winner and the 1991 Outstanding Young Cooperators.

At 9 a.m., the delegate session will begin with action on the 1991 annual meeting resolutions. The session will be chaired by Harold Moyer of Wyalusing, chairman of the Resolutions Committee.

Special activities have been planned for those members and guests not attending the general sessions. The Ladies Program, chaired by Elsie Musser of Millmont, offers a variety of educational and fun programs. Activities on Thursday include either a shopping trip to Vanity Fair in Reading,

or a musical excursion to the Dutch Apple Dinner Theater for a buffet lunch and the showing of "Sounds of Christmas."

Friday's program will include presentations by Doris Thomas, a Lancaster County Extension home economist, on "The Art of Microwave Cooking and Defrosting," and by Joyce Bupp, a York County dairy farmer and columnist for Lancaster Farming newspaper on "Being a Farm Wife — And Other Hazards."

For more information about the meeting or reservations and banquet tickets, please contact Terri Milinovich, secretary to the general manager, at (215) 322-0200.



Farm Leaders Asked To Support Compensation Reform

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.)— State

Agricultural Secretary Boyd E. Wolff recently urged leaders of Pennsylvania agricultural organizations to support Gov. Robert P. Casey's proposals to curb the skyrocketing costs of workers' compensation insurance.

Meeting with the leaders of 14 organizations, Wolff said the governor's plan deserves support from farmers.

"The governor's plan shows us what can be done to protect agricultural employers from these extraordinary costs," Wolff said. "One of the main points of the governor's plan addresses the special needs of farm employers who are among those hardest hit by these escalating insurance rates."

The Workers Compensation Rating Bureau, a private-sector entity representing 317 insurance firms, has filed a 52 percent rate increase request with the State Insurance Department. Public hearings on that request began recently in Harrisburg.

At the direction of Governor Casey, Secretary of Labor and Industry Thomas Foley and Secretary of Commerce Andrew T. Greenberg recently asked the Insurance Commissioner to reject the 52 percent increase request.

Gov. Casey's reform proposal would change the law to permit small businesses, such as farm employers, to group together to qualify as self-insurers, thereby reducing their premium costs. The proposal also calls for medical cost containment, increased workplace safety efforts, and increased premium competition between insurance companies.

Officials from the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry and the Insurance Department also attended the meeting.

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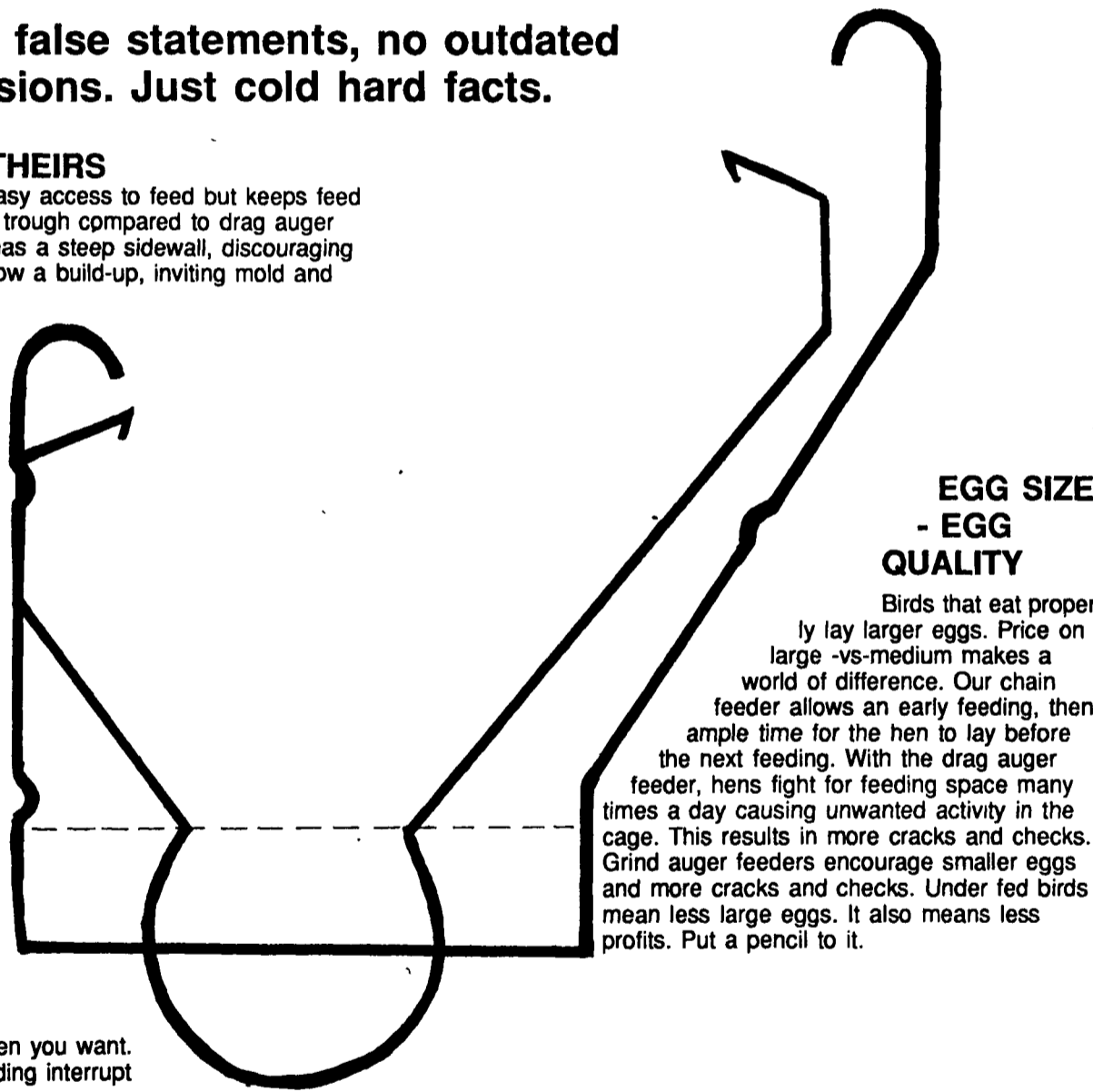
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