

# Farm Calendar

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ing Workshop, Lehigh County Ag Center, 7:30 p.m.  
Berks County 4-H Spring Kickoff, Berks County 4-H Center, 8 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Wednesday, April 22

Federation Annual Fund-Raising Banquet, Hershey Convention Center.

Thursday, April 23

Safe Drinking Water Clinics, UGI Auditorium, Bethlehem.  
Farm Pond Management, Penn State Fruit Research Lab, Biglerville, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, April 24

Pennsylvania Arbor Day.  
Lancaster Conservation District Legislative Breakfast, Kreider's Restaurant, Manheim, 7:30 a.m.

Safe Drinking Water Clinics, Bi-State Water Quality Program, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Wellsville Water Treatment Plant, Wellsville, N.Y., 9 a.m.

Saturday, April 25

Beef Field Day, western Berks

County.

Lehigh County Small-Scale Farming Trip.

York County Dairy Princess and Dairy Miss Pageant, 4-H Center, 8 p.m.

Safe Drinking Water Clinic, Bradford Water Filtration Plant, Bradford, 11 a.m.

Opening celebration of the Animal and Poultry Science Building, Regent's Drive at Farm Drive, Campus, 10:30 a.m.

Small Poultry Flock Husbandry Workshop, Harford County Extension Office, 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 26

Old Time Plow Boys Club Spring Plowing Show, Seidel Farm, Mertztown, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Monday, April 27

4-H Capital Days, Harrisburg, thru April 28.

Tuesday, April 28

Third annual Upper Dauphin Area Farm Toy Show and Auction, Upper Dauphin Area High School, Elizabethville, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.; auction at 5 p.m.

Wednesday, April 29

Thursday, April 30

Friday, May 1

York County pesticide applicator testing, Pleasant Acres Complex, 8 a.m.-noon.

Maryland Sheep and Wool Festival, Howard County Fairgrounds, West Friendship, Md., thru May 3.

Saturday, May 2

Annual Spring Shorthorn Sale, Mercer 4-H Park.

York County Goat Field Day, Rose Spenkle's Troubled Acres Farm, York/New Salem, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

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## Adams PFA Members Urged To Review Plans

CARLISLE (Cumberland Co.) — The Pennsylvania Farmers' Association planning and evaluation team urges all members of the Adams County Farmers' Association, including the board of directors, county committee members and cabinet heads, to share ideas regarding the future of the organization with fellow members and peers.

The PFA planning and evaluation team has worked diligently over the last several months to collect and analyze information about PFA and its programs and operations. As a result, the 15-member team has been able to develop a reasonably accurate "forecast" of what PFA/ACFA will look like as an organization in 1997.

In order to gain valuable insight as to what PFA should look like in 1997, the planning and evaluation team has scheduled six regional "speak-up meetings" across the state. Members of the planning team will review the planning mode, discuss the "1997 PFA Forecast," and solicit ideas from

the membership regarding the changing future course of PFA. The meetings are open to all PFA members and staff.

This is the opportunity as an individual, and as a leader in the county, to influence the future course of the organization and possibly agriculture that will serve the needs of the farming community into the 21st century, according to the association. Attendance and active participation in Adams County is critical to the future success and growth of ACFA/PFA and farming in general.

For further information, contact president Dave Wenk, (717) 677-9553 or secretary Pam Ketterman, (717) 337-2845.

## Grassland FFA Hosts Animal Welfare Representative

NEW HOLLAND (Lancaster Co.) — Ken Brandt, executive vice president of the Pennsylvanians for the Responsible Use of Animals (PRUA), will speak at the Grassland FFA Chapter meeting, Garden Spot High School, on Monday, April 13, at 7:30 p.m. His topic will be "PRUA: Organization and Mission."

PRUA is a federation of Pennsylvania agricultural, biomedical/veterinary research, and professional wildlife management organizations interested in the continued, responsible use of animals in Pennsylvania. Since its formation, PRUA has been actively encouraging the humane treatment of animals used in food, clothing, and apparel production and biomedical research as well as animals whose welfare is the responsibility of Pennsylvania's scientific wildlife management community.

Brandt, a former Lancaster County representative, headed up this organization since February 1991.

PRUA's new projects and initiatives include a traveling exhibit highlighting the importance of animal use in today's society, a first and annual conference on responsible animal use, and their statewide venison-sharing project, Hunters Sharing the Harvest.

Hunters Sharing the Harvest is their largest and most extensive project to date. It is a cooperative effort by Pennsylvania's hunters, meat processors, local food banks, and the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture. It was spearheaded by PRUA to provide meat for Pennsylvania's local food banks. This past hunting season, the program generated more than 30,000 pounds of surplus venison for the needy in Pennsylvania.

Brandt is looking forward to continued growth this year because of increased public awareness.

"Our message — ensuring our quality of life through the responsible use of animals — is being accepted by a growing number of people," Brandt said. "This is important today when animal activists are gaining the spotlight and trying to dictate what people should eat, wear, or what activities they should not participate in because of purported cruelty."

For further information, call (717) 367-5223 or write to PRUA, Ken Brandt, P.O. Box 61, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

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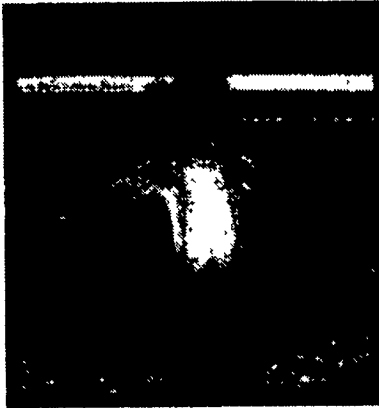
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