



SPECIAL REPORT

EQUINE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM
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Thomas L. Merritt, Penn State professor emeritus of animal science, in recognition of his 32 years of service to equine education.

Ag Progress Days, an annual exposition sponsored by Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences, attracts tens of thousands of visitors to the Russell E. Larson Agricultural Research Center at Rockspring, nine miles southwest of State College on Route 45. Parking and admission are free.

The Ag Progress Days Equine Educational Program emphasizes the horse industry's contribution to Pennsylvania agriculture, and highlights Penn State's teaching, extension, and youth programs. This year's event is dedicated to

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS (All Events Take Place In The Horse Arena Unless Noted)
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18

- 10:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M. *Breed Exhibitions:* POA, Hackney, Welsh, Tennessee Walking Horse.
- 1:30 P.M.-2:30 P.M. *Handling and Training Clinic:* Ward Studebaker, Penn State Horse Farm Manager.
- 2:30 P.M.-3:30 P.M. *Breed Exhibitions:* Appaloosa, American

- Saddlebred
- 3:30 P.M.-4:30 P.M. *Plowing Demonstration* (site to be announced)
- WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19**
- 10:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M. *Breed Exhibitions:* Palomino, Quarter Horse, Paso Fino.
- 1:30 P.M.-2:30 P.M. *Handling and Training Clinic:* Ward Studebaker.
- 2:30 P.M.-4:00 P.M. *Demonstrations:* Therapeutic Riding • 4-H Mounted Champions — Sr. Saddle Seat Equitation, Pleasure Pony Driving, Walk-Trot Equitation, County Team, Western Riding, Hunter Hack Horse.
- 4:00 P.M.-5:00 P.M. *Breed Exhibitions:* Belgian, Clydesdale, Percheron, Shire, Miniature Horse.
- 6:00 P.M.-8:00 P.M. *Flag Presentation:* Centre County 4-H Horse Clubs. *Special Presentation:* Honoring Dr. Thomas L. Merritt • *Exhibitions:* Thorncroft Mainstreamers Drill Team; Freestyle Reining, Mark Wagman, Haverford, Pennsylvania; Draft Horse Hitches and Carts.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 20

- 10:00 A.M.-11:30 A.M. Thorncroft Mainstreamers Drill Team • *Breed Exhibitions:* Paint, Morgan, Warmbloods.
- 1:30 P.M.-2:30 P.M. *Handling and Training Clinic:* Ward Studebaker.
- 2:30 P.M.-4:00 P.M. *Breed Exhibitions:* Arabian, Thoroughbred, Standardbred.

Other Activities

Several educational and commercial displays will be featured in the equine exhibits tent.

Planned exhibits and demonstrations will showcase Penn State's Quarter Horses and teaching program, 4-H and therapeutic riding programs, horseshoeing, tack, horse feeds, breeds, and the

horse in medieval agriculture.

Video and 4-H public speaking presentations will highlight equine education and careers, as well as various production, management, and training practices.

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Ag Field Day Set

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The 1992 Western Maryland Ag Field Day is scheduled for Thursday, September 10, beginning at 8 a.m. at the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station's Western Maryland Research and Education Center in Washington County.

This year's research wagon tour stops are:

- Nutrient management -- Why is it important?
- High-tensile fencing and deer control
- To spray or not to spray -- integrated pest management (IPM) helps you decide
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- High-yield wheat management.



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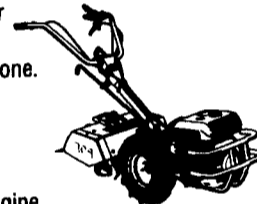
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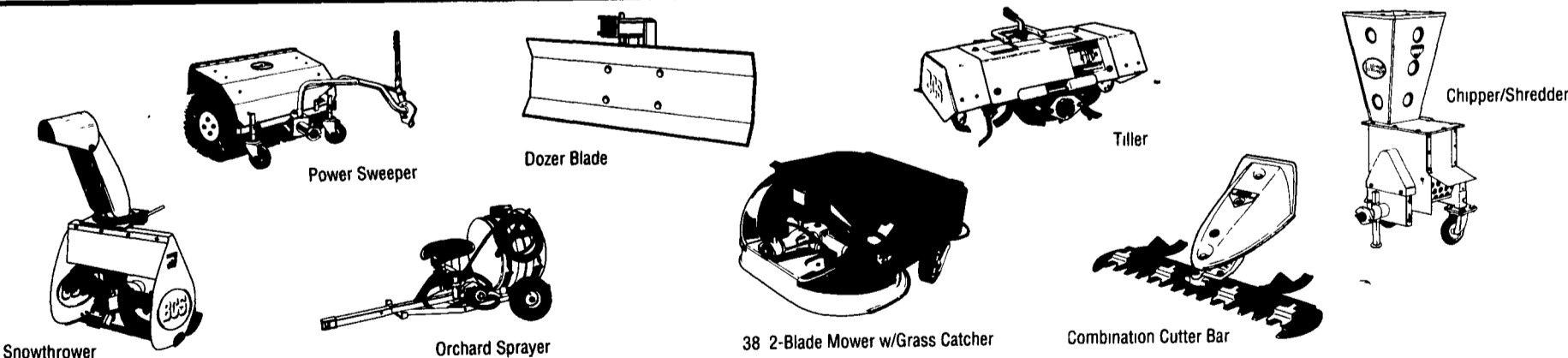
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