

DHIA Convention Set For March

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Pennsylvania
Dairy Herd
Improvement Association

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How Does Your Herd Compare?

DHIA Averages for all herds processed between 01/09/93 and 01/16/93

Number of Herds Processed	1,123
Number of Cows Processed	68,429
Number of Cows Per Herd	60.9
Milk Per Cow (Lbs)	18,398
%-Fat	3.73
Fat Per Cow (Lbs)	687
%-Protein	3.19
Protein Per Cow (Lbs)	587
Average Days in Milk Per Cow	318
*Value for CWT Milk(\$)	13.31
*Value for CWT Grain(\$)	7.92
*Value for CWT Hay(\$)	4.35
*Value for CWT Silage(\$)	1.54
*Value for Pasture Per Day(\$)	.28
*Value for Milk Per Cow Per Year(\$)	2,449
*Feed Consumed Per Cow Per Year(Lbs)	
A: Grain	7,214
B: Hay	2,330
C: Silage	14,952
D: Day Pasture	68
*Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	
A: Grain	571
B: Hay	101
C: Silage	231
D: Pasture	19
*Total Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	923
*Income Over Feed Costs Per Year(\$)	1,525
*Grain to Milk Ratio	1:2.5
*Feed Cost Per CWT Milk(\$)	5.02
Avg Level For 969 SCC Herds	329,408

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — This data is pulled from Pennsylvania DHIA's mainframe computer each week. It is a one-week summary representing approximately one-fourth of the herds on test, as they are tested monthly.

These data are valuable from a business management standpoint and can be used for comparing your operations to the averages from almost 1,400 herds across the state.

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — Pennsylvania Dairy Herd Improvement Association's fifth annual meeting of the corporation is set for March 19 and 20 at the Radisson Hotel Pittsburgh, located in Monroeville.

The Radisson is only 20 minutes from the heart of Pittsburgh, located directly adjacent to the Monroeville Mall and Greater Pittsburgh Expo Mart.

All Pa.DHIA members are invited to attend the informational meeting.

Last year was the first time Pa.DHIA traveled outside of State College for the corporate meeting. Again this year, we plan to travel to meet the members.

Last March, we had a favorable turnout of 250 people including members, Pa.DHIA leadership, and representatives of the dairy industry. An increase in attendance is expected this year.

Fayette, Washington and Westmoreland counties have agreed to act as host for this year's meeting. With the counties' assistance, plans are to feature a trade show

which is to parallel the meeting, a spouse's program offering craft ideas (chaired by Mrs. Adam Derr), an awards banquet focusing on this year's success, a Hawaiian dinner theatre for your entertainment, and a meeting that will focus on sharing ideas and building commitment as an association.

The program allows for opportunities to learn more about the association, a chance for the asso-

ciation to understand member needs and concerns, and a chance to recognize the past year's accomplishments and the coming year's goals, as well as time to socialize with other members and representatives of the dairy industry.

Within the next month, members should be receiving invitations to the meeting. Plan now to attend to present your ideas for association.

Average Farm Feed Costs For Handy Reference

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of commodity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets or to develop livestock feed cost data, here's this week's average costs of various ingredients as compiled from regional reports across the state of Pennsylvania. Remember these are averages so you will need to adjust your figures up or down according to your location and the quality of your crop.

Corn, No. 2y - 2.35 BU.	4.20 CWT.
Wheat, No. 2 - 3.48 BU.	5.80 CWT.
Barley, No. 3 - 1.74 BU.	3.71 CWT.
Oats, No. 2 - 1.55 BU.	4.82 CWT.
Soybeans, No. 1 - 5.49 BU.	9.17 CWT.
Ear Corn - 55.71 TON	2.79 CWT.
Alfalfa Hay - 105.50 TON	5.26 CWT.
Mixed Hay - 98.00 TON	4.90 CWT.
Timothy Hay - 106.75 TON	5.34 CWT.

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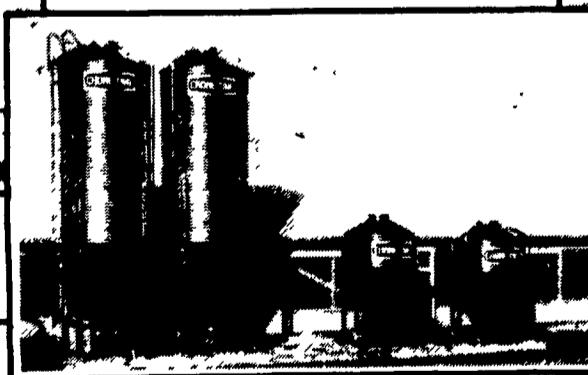


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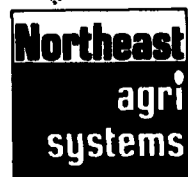


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