

Wye Field Day August 19

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — The Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station's (MAES) Wye Research and Education Center will hold the 25th annual Wye Field Day on August 19 to showcase Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station (MAES) research and Cooperative Extension Service activities dealing with Maryland's agricultural base, natural resources and environment.

The field day features three concurrent tours running from 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.: field crops and soils, horticulture, and animal sciences.

Stops along the Field Crops and Soil Tour are residue management in tillage systems, controlling phosphorus runoff from cropland, cultural practices of controlling slugs in no-till systems, and new corn and soybean varieties.

Stops along the horticulture tour include use of compost in field production of vegetables, sweet corn variety evaluation, bramble breeding programs, and steak tomato IPM and cultural research.

Stops on the Animal Sciences Tour include Wye Angus carcass data analysis and report, fly con-

trol around livestock buildings, year-round grazing program in practice, using ammonia to preserve silage, and tips for hay preservation.

For the first time, this year's field day features a water quality walking tour beginning at 8:30 a.m. Tour topics include using fish communities to evaluate environmental degradation in Maryland Coastal Plain streams, treating contaminated groundwater, and reducing toxicity of wastewater

discharged into the Chesapeake Bay.

From 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., three half-hour clinics — Cut Flowers as an Alternative Income Source; Potato Virus: A New Threat to Maryland Produce; and Organic Agricultural Certification — will be offered in the Arthur A. Houghton Jr. Laboratory.

Seminars and workshops are held from 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Half-hour seminars include Maryland Aquaculture, Agricultural

Marketing Update and Biotechnology: An Overview and Risk Assessment.

Tours of the research greenhouse and an IPM orchard, as well as a hands-on nutrient management workshop, will occur at 1:30 p.m.

Following the theme, "The World's Safest Food Supply," the 1993 Home Economics Program will include a workshop about the safety of irradiated and pesticide-treated foods, poultry, eggs, sea-

food, grains and dairy products from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The field day also will include all-day equipment and poster displays, a buffet luncheon from noon to 1:30 p.m., and an all-you-can eat crab feast from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. Meal tickets can be purchased at the registration desk.

From more information, call the Wye Research and Education Center at (410) 827-6202 or contact your local cooperative extension service office.

District Offers Scholarships

DAUPHIN (Dauphin Co.) — The Dauphin County Conservation District is providing two \$500 scholarships for college students with a major in agriculture or environmental-related study.

Applicants must be a resident of Dauphin County; attend a college or university in the United States; major in Agriculture, Environmental Resource Management or the conservation field; and, at a minimum, be a sophomore semester student.

Applications must be submitted and postmarked by September 1.

They must include a statement of scholarship need, a resume, statement of purpose outlining student goals, college transcript or a copy of their most recent grade slip, a recommendation from school personnel, and a character reference recommendation.

Funding for these scholarships was made possible from profits of the conservation district's 1993 Consignment Auction, which is an

annual auction held the first Saturday of April at the Gratz Fairgrounds.

Interested students may receive a copy of the application from the

Dauphin County Conservation District at the Agriculture and Natural Resources Center, 1451 Peeters Mountain Road, Dauphin 17018, (717) 921-8100.

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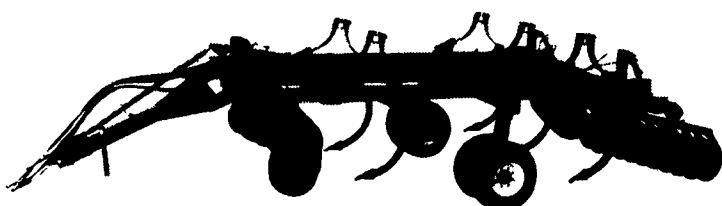
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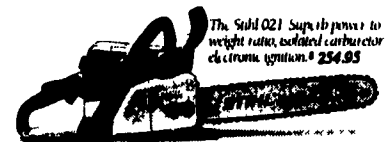
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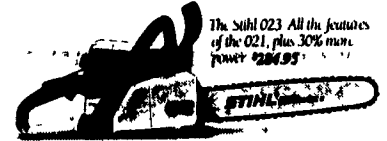
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