## Lancaster Holstein Tour To Franklin County

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) The Lancaster County Holstein Tour is scheduled for this Tuesday, March 15. They plan to leave the Farm and Home Center at 7:45 a.m. to visit several fine Franklin County farms. The schedule is as follows:

7:45 AM: Leave Farm & Home Center, Lancaster. (BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH.)

9:30 AM: Arrive Fountain Farm and Tower Vue Holsteins, Carlisle. The Harry Thompson and David Walton families have 75-80 registered Holsteins in milk. They have a 73 cow tie stall barn with 6 box stalls and a double 4 milking parlor. The barn was built in 1989. It is the home of the All-Pennsylvania Spring Calf, Tower Vue Counselor Elle. Harry is doing his own embryo transfers with the quick thaw method under the guidance of Dr. William Pettit. They will classify March 2, and have daughters of Leadman, Blackstar, Vanguard and Cleitus. The Waltons have been familiar faces at local and state shows and were featured in the PA Profiles a few years ago. This farm will include a brief stop at their heifer facility approximately three miles from the dairy.

11:15 AM: Arrive Tri-Day Farm, Shippensburg. The Curtis Day Family operates this 60 cow dairy with no outside help. Cows are housed in free stalls, fed TMR at the bunk for 70 lbs. milk and milked in a tie stall barn. BAA is 108 with 8 excellent cows in the herd. Curtis has extensive judging experience and is a candidate for V.P. of the Pa. Holstein Board. Sons Matthew and David were on the 1993 Nationals. Matthew was high individual and a member of the 1st place 4-H Judging team at the Eastern National, 1993.

1:00 PM: Arrive Tidy-Brook Farm, Greencastle. Mark and Alan Meyers families, with hired hand Joel Mills, run this 85 cow herd with an extensive embryo transfer program. Herd average is 19,700M, 740F & 630P. BAA is 104.8. Seven out of a total of 21 cows in the U.S. over 100# PTA for Prot. were bred at Tidy-Brook. The top 2 cows are Eltons that are still in this herd. This herd is fed TMR in one group with a computer feeder. Cows are housed in free stalls and loose housing and milked in a parlor.

3:00 PM: Arrive Stoner Hijos Farm, Mercersburg. Stoner Hijos Farm is a new commercial facility for 500 cows, currently milking 440 cows 2x. A new Germania parlor includes double 16 milking capacity with rapid exit. Stoner Hijos consists of six brothers with no "outside" hired labor. They farm 1500 acres. Additional features include automatic ally scrapers, four-bay commodity shed,

the winning Dairy Bowl team at mattress beds and a 500 hog home of Pennsylvania's fourth operation.

> In addition, this stop will include a special option for interested persons to visit an historic house on the Stoner property. It was built in 1785 and was the

governor, Finley. The house includes nine working fireplaces.

5:30 PM: Dinner at the Lighthouse Restaurant. 8:30 PM: Arrive back at Farm

& Home Center. Cost: \$20.00 per person (includes the evening meal).

Please send a list of persons planning to attend along with a check to: Larry Kennel, D.V.M., 1489 Grandview Road, Mount Joy, PA 17552.

Deadline is Tuesday, March 8.

Lancaster Holstein Club Tour March 15, 1994

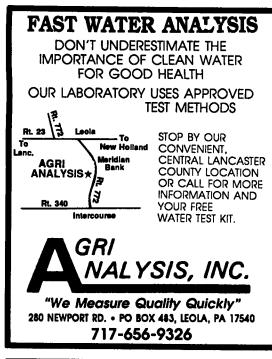
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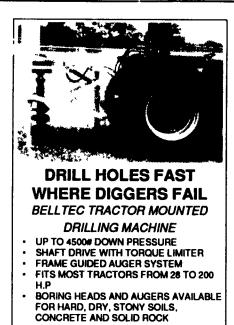
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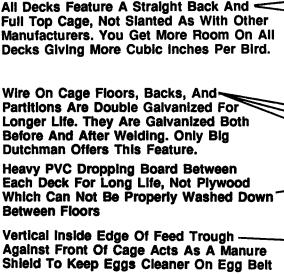




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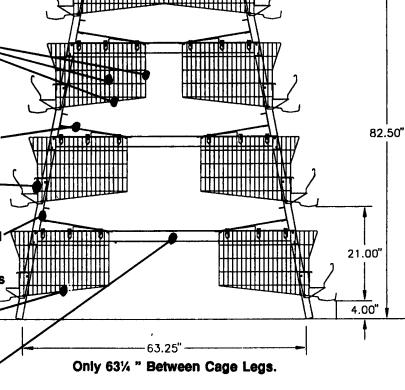
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