


Council To Consider Public Policy

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How Does Your Herd Compare?

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — These data are calculated using information 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 about one-fourth of the herds across the state.

DHIA Averages for all herds processed between 03/19/94 and 03/26/94

Number of Herds Processed	1,067
Number of Cows Processed	65,450
Number of Cows Per Herd	61.3
Milk Per Cow (Lbs)	18,685
%-Fat	3.69
Fat Per Cow (Lbs)	689
%-Protein	3.20
Protein Per Cow (Lbs)	598
Average Days in Milk Per Cow	319
*Value for CWT Milk(\$)	12.96
*Value for CWT Grain(\$)	7.94
*Value for CWT Hay(\$)	4.26
*Value for CWT Silage(\$)	1.52
*Value for Pasture Per Day(\$)	.29
*Value for Milk Per Cow Per Year(\$)	2,421
*Feed Consumed Per Cow Per Year(Lbs)	
A: Grain	7,374
B: Hay	2,174
C: Silage	14,867
D: Day Pasture	60
*Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	
A: Grain	585
B: Hay	92
C: Silage	226
D: Pasture	17
*Total Feed Cost Per Cow Per Year(\$)	922
*Income Over Feed Costs Per Year(\$)	1,499
*Grain to Milk Ratio	1:2.5
*Feed Cost Per CWT Milk(\$)	4.94
Avg Level For 955 SCC Herds	368,161

*Member-generated figures

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — The Penn State Agricultural Advisory Council, which brings feedback from the agricultural community to Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences, will meet April 13 at the Nittany Lion Inn on the University Park Campus.

The meeting's morning session will feature a discussion of public policy issues concerning the state's agricultural industry. "We hope to share with the college administration our views on the major issues facing agriculture in Pennsylvania," says Earl B. Fink, president of the council.

The Agricultural Advisory Council has 69 member organizations, most of which are trade associations and commodity groups representing various segments of the agricultural business com-

munity. To broaden the range of viewpoints included in the discussion, representatives of more than 90 additional industry groups have been invited to participate.

"From nutrient management to economic development, our college is involved in public policy issues," says Dr. Lamartine Hood, dean of the college. "We are committed to become even more involved in examining, analyzing and helping to shape policies related to food, agriculture and natural resources."

Because the concerns of a dairy farmer may differ from those of a food processor or timber harvester, delegates will split into five focus groups.

One group will examine general agricultural interests. The others will emphasize food science, animal production, food crops and non-food crops. Each group will develop a list of concerns, then the council will establish group consensus about the main concerns on those lists.

"The results will help the college better understand the public policy concerns of a wide range of agricultural interests," says Pat Heuser, director of industry relations in the college. "We then can

begin thinking about how we can be helpful in addressing those issues through existing or possibly new activities."

Aimee Eoepchino, a Penn State senior majoring in food science who received the council's Bryce Jordan Leadership Award, will address the group at lunch. A new student recruitment video produced by the college also will be shown.

The afternoon session will include the council's business meeting, an update on the college from Dean Hood and others, and an open forum for member discussion. A demonstration of the college's PENpages computer system will end the meeting.

Formed in 1961, Penn State's Agricultural Advisory Council meets twice yearly with administrators, faculty and staff of the college to discuss programs, progress in research and education, and significant developments in the college.


The council has sponsored symposia for educators, legislators and other public officials.

For more information about the Agricultural Advisory Council, contact Pat Heuser at (814) 863-9646.

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 - 3.18 bu. 5.69 cwt.
Wheat, No. 2 - 3.43 bu. 5.73 cwt.
Barley, No. 3 - 2.52 bu. 5.38 cwt.
Oats, No. 2 - 1.72 bu. 5.37 cwt.
Soybeans, No. 1 - 6.72 bu. 11.22 cwt.
Ear Corn - old 82.50 ton 4.13 cwt.
Ear Corn - new 90.50 ton 4.53 cwt.
Alfalfa Hay - 114.25 ton 5.71 cwt.
Mixed Hay - 106.75 ton 5.34 cwt.
Timothy Hay - 105.75 ton 5.29 cwt.



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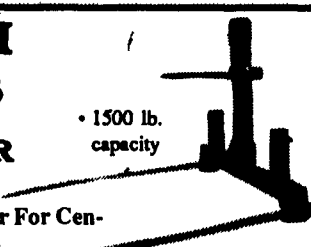
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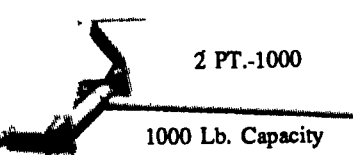


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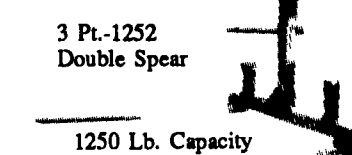
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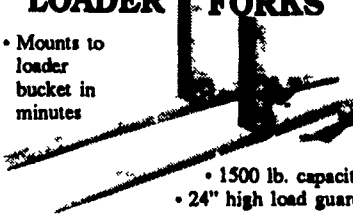
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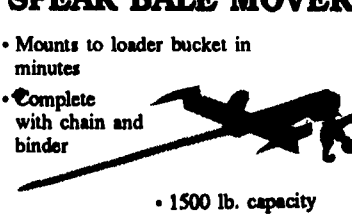
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