

# Pa. All-American Dairy Show Set

**HARRISBURG** (Dauphin Co.) — The 31st annual Pennsylvania All-American Dairy Show is to kickoff Monday, Sept. 26 with the Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show, and be followed by three days of dairy cattle shows, youth contests and an ever-growing trade show.

"The Pennsylvania All-American is a forum for high level competition," said Obie Snider, president of the Pennsylvania Dairy and Allied Industry Association, which sponsors the event. "Each year cattle from over 20 states and Canada travel to Harrisburg to parade on the tanbark. This year will be no exception."

The weeklong event is filled with a calendar of activities such as judging contests, the junior dairy management contest, cattle sales, shows, and a country craft show.

Premium lists and entry forms are available by contacting the All-American Dairy Show at (717) 787-2905.

The trade show has been expanded by officials since last year, motivated by increased participation by agribusiness, changes in floor space and services to visiting dairy farmers.

The new addition to the Farm Show Complex, the northeast building, has created more space for commercial exhibits. Now visitors to the show can see and purchase items ranging from cattle trailers to show halters, feed, artificial insemination services, and products used daily on the farm.

"It is a concentrated market," said Lolly Lesher, fund raising coordinator for the All-American. "Visitors at the All-American Dairy Show are actively involved in the dairy industry, mostly in the production end. Thus, businesses can have an impact with many dairymen in four days."

"It is an opportunity to meet a specific market. There is still a limited amount of space available," she said in a recent news release. For more information, call the dairy show number, (717) 787-2905.

### Vaccinations

The All-American Dairy Show is expected to see a strong showing, despite earlier concerns about bovine virus diarrhea (BVD).

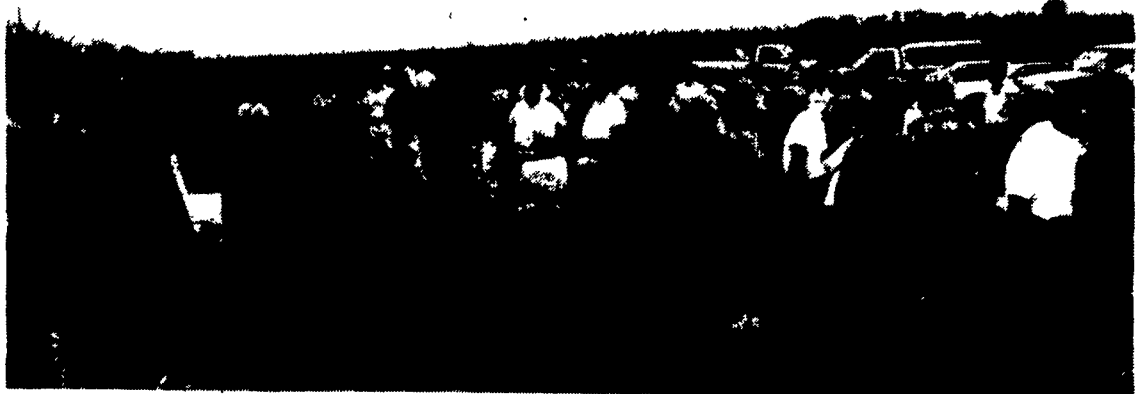
According to show manager, Charlie Idle, "As in the past, current vaccinations against shipping fever, including IBR, must have been administered, not less than 15 days prior to the show; or five days within the opening of the show with a hyperimmune IBR Shipping Fever serum."

"Also, in accordance with the recommendation of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry, all cattle must have proof of two vac-

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DEKALB officials are from left, Tom Melton, national accounts director, DeKalb, Illinois; Earl Johnson, regional sales manager, London, Ohio; and Brent Godshalk, Manheim station manager and plant breeder.



A group of farmers hear the discussion of the work at the research farm by Brent Godshalk, station manager.

## Corn Research Featured

MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — The test plot at the DEKALB Northeast and Mid-

Atlantic research farm were open to farmers Wednesday at a special field day to show the advanced

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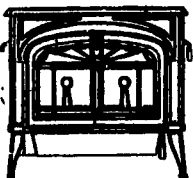
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Fri., Sept. 9 — 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

— Free Supper

Elvin Hursh Farm — 310 Wood Corner Rd. Rt. 322 West Of Ephrata — Turn Left On Wood Corner Rd.

Speakers: Duane Potrzeba - Plant Breeder - Lincoln Neb.

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Brent Godshalk, station manager and corn breeder, told the group of 300 farmers that the major research emphasis on the farm is for such things as yield, grain quality, stalk standability and health, and seed size. "Farmers don't want to get docked at the market," Godshalk said. "So we work here to develop hybrids that meet the farmers' needs."

To develop the genetics in a variety that eventually is released for commercial use, it takes from 13 to 15 years of generational development. DEKALB has nine testing locations in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Delaware to find varieties that will work well in this local area.

In the bio-tech effort, plants are being developed with the BT gene that causes the corn borer to die if the insect eats the leaves or silk of these plants. Other work is being done on corn plants that resist herbicides. In addition, grain nutritional value and stalk drought resistance are being developed through gene manipulation in the plants.

At the Manheim site, specific research is done on inbred and hybrid development, disease screening, and silage testing. The 90 acre farm also provides a place for farmers to visit to see the new research developments. This was the reason for the field day.