

The third issue is **Money**. Often the last items considered for purchase are safety related items. Too many times the shield for the PTO and the protective gloves for pesticide handling are not purchased because money is tight and an accident hasn't happened yet. Safety equipment should be looked upon as an insurance policy. You wouldn't think about operating a car without insurance, so why not protect yourself, your family and your employees with proper safety equipment around the farm. Make safety a **Habit**, take **Time** when working around farm danger areas and spend some **Money** to make your farming operation safe.

Chester County DHIA - August 1994
Cows producing over 800 lbs. protein are:

Name	Breed	Age	Milk	Fat	Pro
Leon D. Kurtz Regina	H	7-08	31,380	953	975
Robert & Sharon Nolan Pollyan Tmberview Farm	H	8-00	27,031	1091	868
Yvette Marilyn & Duane Hershey Dixie	H	7-01	26,008	1206	873
Gerald L. Kulp Sons 257	H	6-05	31,326	1079	997
Spring Aqua Farm 401	H	2-11	23,269	870	829
Ardrossan Farms N-Foolin	H	4-04	25,361	734	855
Hip Hop	A	9-00	25,334	956	861
T Eyes	A	4-03	24,112	980	818
Levi S. King Muriel	A	3-09	29,023	1170	1014
	H	5-00	27,026	945	865

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Chester County DHIA Board

Chester County DHIA has scheduled their annual banquet for Thursday, November 17, 1994 at 7:00 p.m. at the East Brandywine Fire Hall, Guthrieville, PA. This year, in addition to the business meeting and election of directors, entertainment is being planned. Awards will be expanded to recognize not only high protein herds, but also low average somatic cell count herds for the year and the highest scores on the PA DHIA Herd Management summaries. Tickets will be available in October through the local DHIA technicians.

Dairy Farm Safety - Don't Wait for an Accident to Happen!

Why is it that one farming operation seem to be accident prone while a neighboring farm runs smoothly with very few accident problems? I am convinced that it is related to three practices - **Habit, Time and Money**. First, let's talk about **Habit**. Safety has to become an automatic process that a farmer practices everyday, just like eating, sleeping and milking cows. Before working with machinery, safety precautions, such as stopping the machine before servicing, avoiding moving parts, and keeping shields in place, should be as routine as tying your shoes. Don't enter a recently filled silo until it has been properly ventilated and never enter a manure pit without proper breathing equipment. Always wear the proper goggles or face shield when grinding and/or welding. As a standard practice, wear protective clothing, gloves and a face shield when working with pesticides and other chemicals. These are only a few of the safety standards that farmers need to adopt on a regular basis. Most farmers know proper safety measures, but the ones that have good safety records, use these practices everyday rather than only when the spirit moves them.

That brings me to the second point - **Time**. Dairy farmers, in particular, never seem to have enough hours in the day to complete all their priorities. My wife and my sons always said I often planned more for a day than could physically be accomplished; therefore, I tended to rush around myself and also expected everyone else to keep up with me. We had a good safety record on our farm, but one example of being in too much of a hurry almost cost me a serious injury. About 30 years ago, we had extra help to fill silo on a particular day and we planned to get a lot of corn silage in that day. My first priority was to put the doors in the 12' x 40' tile silo. The doors in this old silo were not hinged, but hung by a hook from a pipe every two feet going up the chute. The only thing that held them in solidly was the silage after filling; then you could safely stand on step fastened to each door. I had always told everyone that when they were putting in the doors prior to filling, do not use the step on the door to stand on but position your foot on the solid pipe that ringed the silo. This particular day, I was in a hurry and I did not heed my own advice. About half way up the silo, I stepped on one of the door steps, the door kicked into the silo, I lost my hand hold and I fell 20 feet down the silo chute with my pelvis hitting a concrete floor. I was extremely lucky in that I did not break my pelvis, I spent only 5 days in the hospital and did not milk cows for three weeks. This stupid mistake on my part happened because I was in too much of a hurry and it could have cost me my life or caused a lifetime handicapped injury. The moral of the story is: take time to do a job safely - the time used is well spent.

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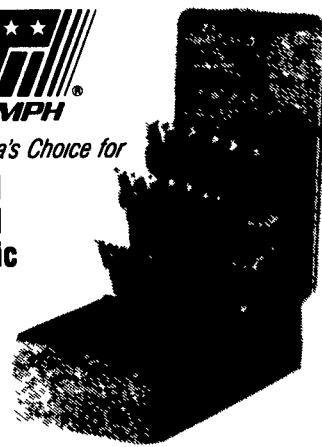
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