

◆ FARM CALENDAR ◆

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p.m.-9:30 p.m., continues March 7, 6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., and testing on Saturday, March 9, 9 a.m.-noon.

Thursday, March 7

Regional Dairy Day, Mountain View Inn, Greensburg, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Poultry Progress Day, Farm and Home Center, Lancaster, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Carroll County Extension private applicator training session, extension office, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. or 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

Lancaster County Fruit Growers Association banquet, Country Table Restaurant, Mount Joy, 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 8

N.Y. Farm Bureau's State Young Farmer Conference, Rochester Holidome, thru March 9.

National Farmers Union, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Cincinnati, March 8-11.

Apple Plant Growth Regulator (PGR) School, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Biglerville, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Saturday, March 9

Wayne County Dairy Day, Honesdale High School, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Maryland Holstein Eastern Shore Showcase Sale, Quarryville.

Regional Christmas Tree Seminar and Trade Show, Chestnut

Ridge Resort, Blairsville, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 10

Monday, March 11

Poultry Management and Health Seminar, Kreider's Restaurant, Manheim, noon.

Maryland Holstein, Kent County annual meeting, Galena.

Nutrient management public hearing meeting, Farm and Home Center, 7 p.m.

Octorara Young Farmers Awards banquet, West Fallowfield Christian School, 6:45 p.m.

York County Chamber of Commerce Agribusiness Presentation, Adams Electric Co-Op, Inc., York, 8 a.m.-8:45 a.m.

Tuesday, March 12

Ephrata Area Young Farmer meeting, sprayer calibration, Research Farm, 7 p.m.

Tri-County Beef Producers meeting, Lighthouse Restaurant, Chambersburg, 7:30 p.m.

Delmarva Safety Seminar and Exposition, Wicomico Youth and Civic Center, Salisbury, Md., thru June 13.

Maryland State Holstein board meeting.

Northwest Builders and Ag Suppliers Conference, Days Inn, Meadville.

Bradford County Agronomy Day, Wysox Fire Hall, Wysox, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Mercer County Sheep and Wool

Growers annual meeting, Mercer County Extension Center, 6:30 p.m.

Central Susquehanna Valley Turf and Ornamental meeting, Brynwood Banquet Center, Lewisburg, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Beef Producers meeting, Augusta House Restaurant, Sunbury, 7 p.m.-8:45 p.m.

Wednesday, March 13

Three-County Agronomy School, Community Center, Berrysburg, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Potato Institute at Willow Valley, Willow Street, thru March 14.

Penn Jersey Equine Short Course for Barn Managers, Holiday Inn, Bethlehem, thru March 14.

Dairy-MAP, Labor, York/Adams session, Cross Keys Inn, 9:45 a.m.

Managing Nutrients To Prevent Pollution, Holiday Inn, Solomons, Md., thru March 14.

Weed Management School, Lebanon County Ag Center, Lebanon, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Tour of Central Pa. Dairy Farms, depart from Northwestern Ambulance Corps, New Tripoli, 7:15 a.m., arrive back 7:30 p.m.

Northwestern Pa. Turf and Ornamental and Forestry Day, Leslie N. Firth Learning Center, Mercer County Cooperative Extension, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m.

Crops Meeting, Pa. Dept. of Ag, Tunkhannock, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 14

Lebanon Water Clinic, Lebanon Valley Ag Center.

Southeast Grazing School, Berks County Ag Center, also March 21 and 28.

Carroll County Extension private applicator exam, extension office, 1 p.m.-3 p.m. or 7 p.m.-9 p.m.

Lancaster County 4-H Swine Club Reorganizational meeting, Lancaster Farm and Home Center, 7:30 p.m.

Ephrata Area Young Farmers meeting, Computer Technology in Farming, Brubaker Ag Consulting, Ephrata, 7:30 p.m.


Dairylea Informational Meeting, Dibble's Inn, Vernon, N.Y., 1 p.m.

Dairylea Informational Meeting,

Holiday Inn, Oneonta, N.Y., 8 p.m.

Northumberland County Conservation District annual awards banquet, Shikellamy High School cafeteria, Sunbury, 6:30 p.m.

Milking Parlor Seminar, Franklin County Administration, Chambersburg, 9:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.



◆ FARM FORUM ◆

Editor,

I read with interest your article, "Hatfield Announces Payment Changes." Was it out of the goodness of Hatfield's heart, that they decided to pay producers what they were earning? Are they acknowledging that this was a discount system?

What precipitated such a change of heart? Could it have been from some producers marketing large numbers of hogs outside the area?

Editor,

Dear Folks,

Thanks so much for your wonderful paper. It sure has a lot in it and I realize that is a real challenge for a weekly paper. My husband reads a lot of it. I love your articles on the people and families. So nice and refreshing. So upbeat and positive. I get tired of news

In talking to Hatfield's procurement people, they acknowledge that hogs from outside (Ohio-Carolinas) cost \$5-7 more, per head, once they are hung on the line. This tells me Hatfield believes, my hogs are worth less than hogs from other areas. Add this amount (\$5-7) to your bottom line and some of us exporters (out of state marketers) will maybe start selling hogs to Hatfield again.

Lawrence Mummau
East Waterford

media and their negative reporting. So many good hard working families out there. I also enjoy recipes.

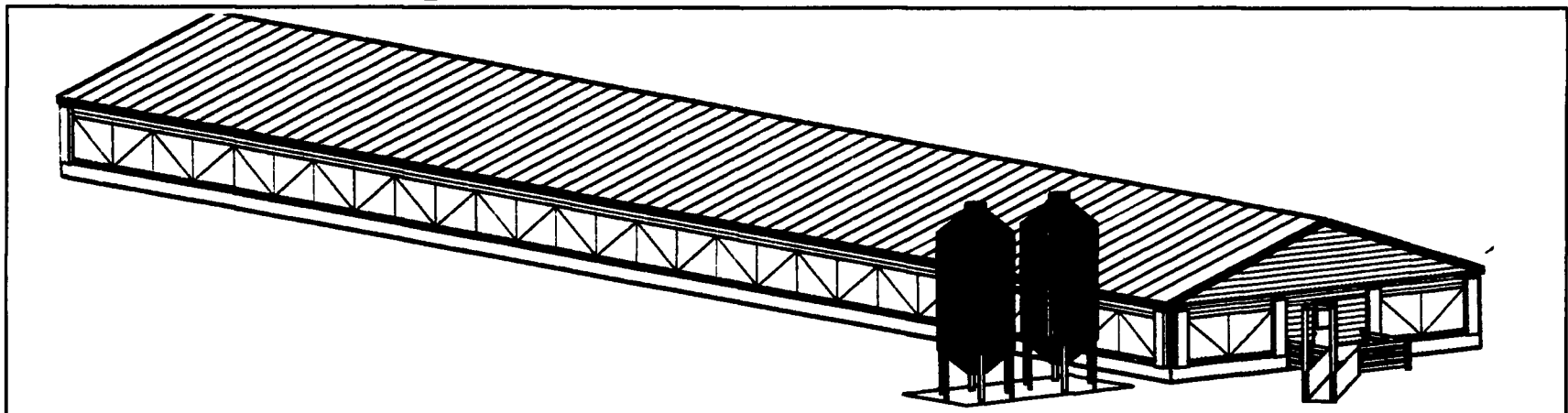
I am a Lancaster County girl transplanted to Perry County.

Keep up the good work!
Jean Weller
New Bloomfield

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