

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)
 — The 1997 Annual County Tobacco Show will be held on Tuesday, January 7, at the Lancaster County Farm and Home Center.

The show will have classes for vocational agriculture students and for other tobacco growers.

Vocational agriculture students who have tobacco they would like to exhibit may enter their exhibits

from 9:30 a.m. until 11 a.m. Other growers can enter their exhibits from 10:30 a.m. until noon. Judging will begin at 1 p.m. with results available at the completion.

The program is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Tobacco Growers Association and Penn State Cooperative Extension in Lancaster County. All Lancaster County

tobacco growers are encouraged to participate in the show.

All tobacco entries must have a tag with the following information: class number, class name, exhibitor's name, address, and the exhibitor's Social Security number. The show will be conducted according to the following rules: Classes are the same as listed in the 1997 Pennsylvania Farm

Auctions Open

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day, Wednesday, and Friday until the week before Christmas. After New Year's Day, the sale resumes on Jan. 3.

At Kirkwood, the auction season continues with sales Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 1:30 p.m.

Show Catalogue. Vo Ag entries should use the class number as listed followed by Vo Ag. Maryland type tobacco will be exhibited as "Pennsylvania Grown Smoking." Every exhibit must have a completed Pennsylvania Farm Show Entry Form. An exhibit will consist of 15 leaves tied with a leaf. All exhibits must have been grown by the exhibitor in Pennsylvania during the 1996 growing season and be unsweated. Exhibitors in the Open Classes will be limited to (2) exhibits per class per farm. Youth may have (1) exhibit per class in the youth show and (1) exhibit per class in the open classes. For additional

rules see "Premium List, 1997 Pennsylvania Farm Show" book. All tobacco entered in the County Show will be entered in the Pennsylvania Farm Show. Tobacco will not be returned to the exhibitor after the Farm Show.

The Lancaster County Tobacco Show will be held in the basement meeting room of the Lancaster Farm and Home Center.

All interested tobacco growers are invited to attend and participate in the show. Anyone who would like to enter an exhibit in the show and has questions should contact Bob Anderson, Lancaster County Extension office, at (717) 394-6851 for more details.

Northeast DHIA-Milk Lab Receives Perfect Score

Every year, all DHIA Milk Analysis Laboratories undergo a rigorous inspection by the National DHIA Quality Certification staff. National DHIA QC rates such areas as the condition of the facilities, laboratory safety, and staff training. In addition, they look at how the lab performs on the monthly unknown samples for the Infra-red analyzers and the Somatic Cell counters (a process where the milk lab machines analyze unknowns to determine how accurate their readings are), and they evaluate internal documentation which includes instrument calibrations and pre-calibration procedures.

Currently the Northeast DHIA milk lab runs two shifts and processes over 15000 samples daily. In addition to fat, protein, and somatic cell analysis, the lab also provides milk urea nitrogen testing and performs a substantial amount of producer payment testing for other laboratories and milk

cooperatives.

The Northeast Dairy Herd Improvement Association currently serves over 3800 members in the nine state area of New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Maine and Vermont.

Traditionally one of the highest rated milk labs in the country, the northeast DHIA milk lab this year received a perfect score of 100/100. In a letter to milk lab manager John Malaney, National DHIA Director of Operations, Paul Miller writes "Please accept my personal congratulations for a job well done and extend my congratulations to your staff ... Your commitment to providing a quality service to DHIA dairymen is apparent in the fact the you continuously meet the high expectations of DHIA members." Paul Sauve, laboratory evaluate summed up the performance of Northeast DHIA's milk lab in one word, "Excellent."



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DK626

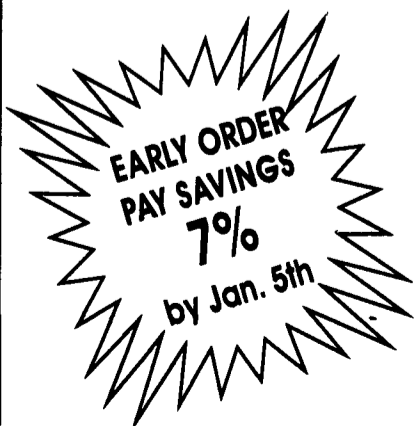
"DEKALB DK626 had good standability with very good yield - 198.6 BPA. We had plenty of moisture to grow well this year. DK626 has good Gray Leaf Spot resistance and the drydown was also good."

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