Poultry Progress Day Highlights Research

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flies, rodents, egg flats, and people. It takes only one gram of viral particles about the size of a dime to infect one million chickens.

Dunn stressed the need for biosecurity to keep the virus from entering the farm. Some of the measures taken should be to control movement of people, poultry, and equipment. Sanitation at all levels, and avoiding any contact with wild birds or with the urban live bird market.

Dr. John Schwartz, Lancaster County's extension director, reported on the need to be a friendly neighbor. Less farms and more

development has resulted in cultural diversity and different values. While farmers may prefer to look out their windows and see only farmland, their neighbors who come from cities often feel uncomfortable if there are less than 15 homes surrounding them.

Based on personal experience, Schwartz said that he doesn't mean to be sexist, but men seem to be more tolerant of noises and smells than wives and it is the wife who generally spearheads efforts against farmers for smells and nusiances.

"Little gestures mean a lot toward keeping peace in changing

neighborhoods. "Defuse high tension by being open and friendly, host covered dish picnic.

"People smell with their eyes," Schwartz said. An attractive farm gives the message that that bad smell can't be coming from there but from the unkept farm down the road. Plant grass buffers between fields and road to prevent soil runoff.

Schwartz encouraged community involvement and developing good public relations to form friendships.

"If you portray a hard-headed, I-was-here-first, and don't-complain-with-your-mouthfull attitude, I guarantee WWIII," he said.

At the same time, farmers need to be supportive of each other and form alliances by showing up at zoning hearings.

Dr. Charles Pitts reported that many poultry farmers ask about the effectiveness of the Little Bear composter. While data isn't sufficient, Pitts said that studies conducted show that the composter does keep manure dryer, kills more maggots resulting in less flies. However, he is concerned that amonia amounts go up during certain phases of the composting. Studies are being conducted to control the amount by adding cardboard, hay, and other substances.

Because it's \$30,000 and too early to tell how that investment will last, Pitts said that it is impossible to advise whether or not the investment is worth it.

Fly control is being experimented by using the Maytown beetle, a predator of fly larvae. Studies show that the fly problem greatly decreases when chickens are molted and this may be the best time to spread manure so that it won't upset the neighbors.

Leon Ressler gave an update on nutrient management and water use registration, which had been reported on in previous articles in this paper.

Dr. Andre Ziegler spoke on fowl pow and showed slides identifying the disease and its variant strains. Pennsylvania is among a few of the highest states with the fowl pox problem with 34 cases being reported in the last 18 months. Pro-

duction drops about 1-12 percent and some mortality increases infection.

Dr. Paul Patterson reported on trends in egg marketing. In the past 10 years, eggs sold through retail sales have dropped one percent, but liquid eggs sold through food services increased.

Bright spots for the future is that egg products, specialty egg, and export markets are growing. Farmers are encouraged to look into these options for selling eggs.

Specialty egg markets include nutritionally altered eggs, organic, fertile, welfare managed, and special diet eggs. Prices for specialty eggs have been noted as high as \$4.38 a dozen compared.

Exports are up for both shell and egg products. With European markets concerned about egg safety, the frozen, dried and liquid egg market offers growing export potential. The highest shell exports are made to Hong Kong, Middle East, and Canada. The highest exports of egg products go to Japan, Mexico, and Canada.

"Remember a one percent change in domestic supply can mean a five percent increase in retail prices," Patterson said.

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April F.O. 4 Milk \$15.69

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Middle Atlantic Order Market Administrator Rex F. Lothrop today announced for April 1997 a Class I price of \$15.69 per hundredweight and a Class II price of \$12.76 per hundredweight.

The April Class I price includes the 20-cent assessment for fluid milk promotion and consumer education. The Class I price, less the 20-cent assessment, and the Class II price are up 52 cents from March but are 13 cents lower when compared to year earlier levels.

Mr. Lothrop announced a Class III milk price of \$12.50 per hundredweight for February 1997 and a Class III-A price of \$12.40 per hundredweight for the month. The Class III price was up 51

cents from the previous month, and the Class III-A price increased 85 cents. The April 1997 Class I and Class II prices and the February 1997 Class III price are based on the February 1997 basic formula milk price of \$12.46 per hundredweight at a 3.5 percent butterfat content.

The February 1997 butterfat price was \$1.09 per pound, up 21.74 cents from January. The February skim milk price per hundredweight was \$9.

The USDA reported that the wholesale price of Grade A butter at Chicago for February was 98.46 cents per pound on the mercantile exchange and the Central States nonfat dry milk price was \$1.1491 per pound.

PUBLIC AUCTION

Household Antiques, Esh Bible 1700's, Large Inventory of Horse Trees and Cultivator Parts, Pair Bronze Turkeys, Honda Generator, Old Coins, 30-30 Rifle, 1801 Fractional 50¢ Currency, 6 Plate Setting Flo Blue China, Early Adams China 6 Plate Setting

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THURSDAY., APRIL 10, 1997 • 9:00 AM

on Old Leacock Road, 1 mile west of Intercourse, Lancaster County, PA. From Route 340 go south on Old Leacock Road. From Route 30 go north.

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Empire bureau; drop leaf gate leg table; oak dresser with bow front drawers; old trunk; 2 piece living room suite; Maytag washers; Kenmore space heater; old kitchen cabinet with sieve and flour bin; old baby clothes; tin milk can; half pint cream top milk bottles; Scot Powell milk bottle; dinner bell; copper pitcher; arrow head collection, found on the Esh farm; kerosene lights; gas lights; lot of crocks; jars; silver dollars; 1800's one cent pieces; Indian head penny; 1870 three and two cent pieces; Germany china; early Adams pieces of china; earthenware pie plates; child's rocker; plank bottom chairs; third seat; pendulum clock, nice, has castle carving design; original Daniel Esh Bible, brought to Lancaster from Buffalo Valley, has minister's log 1800 to 1900 with additional information; magazine rack; iron pots and pans; Maytag wringer washer with air motor; lot of dishes and china; more items not listed.

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2 John Deere and 4 McCormick 2 horse cultivators; 5 one horse cultivators; 2 John Deere 999 corn planters; Wisconsin and A.C. engine parts; lot of plow parts; potato plow; large inventory of three and two horse hitches - yokes; horse collars; equipment seats; bench vise; egg basket; hand buck saw; hay knife; double and triple tubs; Honda 4000 generator with starter; electric water pump and tank; large inventory of sheaf forks; lot of pulleys; 16 inch Papec ensilage cutter; platform scales; wagon tongues; approx 30 rail fence posts, 4 hole; milk cans - strainers; martin bird house; storm front carriage; driving harness; iron trough; pump jack; milk cooler; tobacco spears; more items not listed.

Bring proper I.D. to obtain buyer number.



Lots of Home Made Food by the Weavertown Youth Group Proceeds to benefit Anthony Petersheim

DAIRY HERD DISPERSAL

Thursday, March 27, 1997 11:00 a.m.

Selling at Kling's Sale Barn - Located 15 Mi. North of Carlisle on Rt. 74 at Landisburg, PA

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