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Lancaster DHIA Report
 By Jay Mylin

Lancaster DHIA will hold their annual banquet on December 9th at 11:30 a.m. at Good & Plenty Restaurant in Smoketown. The Board of Directors will be reporting about the growth of the organization this past year. Members will vote on a bylaw change needed to keep Lancaster DHIA current with changes on the National front. Tickets can be purchased at \$9.50 from any Technician or by calling the office at (717) 665-5960.

Lancaster DHIA serves South-

eastern Pennsylvania. For information on our services call the office at (717) 665-5960.

DHIA MANAGEMENT TIPS

Lancaster DHIA data for supervised herds continues to show increased milk production from September 1996 to September 1997. Cost to feed a milking cow at 64.4 pounds is \$3.51. Milk price continues to be the problem, with the price \$3.28 less than last September. Even with cows milking 4.6 pounds better, income over feed cost is \$1.18 less per day. Use these figures to compare with your herd.

Herd Comparisons
 (635 Supervised Herds)

	September '96	September '97
Milk Production		
Milk Per Day	59.8 lbs	64.4 lbs
% Fat	3.6%	3.5%
DIM	178 days	186 days
Standardized 150 day	66.2 lbs	71.8 lbs
Rolling Herd Average	19,834	20,535
Feed Cost (Milking Cows)		
Milk Price	\$15.24 (3.6%)	\$11.96 (3.4%)
Feed Cost (per day) (milking cow only)	\$3.69	\$3.51
Income Over Feed Cost	\$5.37	\$4.19
Feed Cost per CWT Milk (all cows)	\$6.75	\$5.89
Breeding		
% Successful Services (rolling)	43%	42%
Genetic profile of service sires (Proven Sire PTA\$) 176		188
Services per pregnancy (all cows)	2.6	2.6
Days to 1st service (current breeding herd)	93 days	95 days
Calving interval	13.8	13.9
SCC		
Average for all Herds	378,000	325,000
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Pa. Holstein Announces Schedule

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The Pennsylvania Holstein Association has a number of programs for dairymen.

Adult membership include subscriptions to Pa. Holstein Profiles and Farmshine, reduced fees for registering cattle (when also a national member) and a 5-percent discount in membership if paid by Oct. 31.

There are merchandising opportunities in consignment sales, private treaty sales, dispersal sales and export sales all handled by the PHA. The association's 125-acre USDA quarantine facility (Middletown farm) enables the association to market cattle domestically and internationally.

Junior activities include more than 20 programs and contest for junior members, include distinguished junior member, dairy bowl, junior judging school and scholarship recognitions.

Local clubs sponsor programs

and activities at the grass roots level and educational programs are sponsored at state conventions. The PHA also sponsors two state shows, seven regional shows and more than 20 local shows.

For more information, contact the PHA at 839 Benner Pike, State College PA 16801, or call (814) 234-0364, fax (814) 234-1698.

PA. HOLSTEIN ASSN. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

OCT. 28: 7 p.m., Adams County annual meeting at Harney Fire Hall.

OCT. 30: 7 p.m., Lebanon County annual meeting, Ono Fire Hall, Ono.

NOV. 7: 7:45 p.m., Wayne County annual meeting at the Belmont Corners Fire Hall in Belmont.

NOV. 7: 8 p.m., Warren Coun-

ty annual meeting in the Columbus Fire Hall, in Columbus.

NOV. 7: 7:15 p.m., Berks County annual meeting.

NOV. 15: 11 a.m., Nittany Lion Fall Classic Sale, in the Penn State Ag Arena, State College.

NOV. 20: 10:30 a.m., PHA board meeting at the Ramada Inn, in State College.

NOV. 21: 7:30 p.m., Clarion/Venango counties annual meeting at the Salem Community Building, in Lamartine.

NOV. 21: 7 p.m., Northampton County annual meeting, in the Stockertown Memorial Hall, in Stockertown.

FEB. 6-8: Junior Holstein Convention at the Holiday Inn, Uniontown.

FEB. 25-27: PHA State Convention, at Four-Points Sheraton, in Greensburg.

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