PENNSYLVANIA DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION ANNUAL BANQUET

The Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association will hold its annual banquet on Monday evening, January 12, 1998 at the Harrisburg Sheraton East The Sheraton is located just off the Union Deposit Exit of I-83

The Board of Directors would like to invite you to attend this traditional Farm Show Week Dinner A milk punch reception will begin at 6 00 p m with dinner to follow at 6 30 p m The 1998 Charles E Cowan Award, the Extension Service Award, and the PA Distinguished Dairy Women Award recipients will be honored

The main speaker for the evening will be Mr William R Perry, vice-president of Government and Member Relations of Milk Marketing, Inc He was raised on a hog and cash grain farm in Sandusky County, Ohio He has been organizational director with the Chio Farm Bureau Federation and director of field services for the Maryland Farm Bureau A Milk Marketing, Inc., employee since 1982, he is responsible for MMI in national, state and regional legislative affairs He manages MMI's Political Action Committee, and oversees the members' communication and administers MMI's Member Benefits Program. Mr Perry has received the Pennsylvania Council of Cooperatives' Master Education Award, and has received numerous communications awards from National Milk Producers Federation

Dinner reservations and payment must be received by Tuesday, January 6, 1998 Mail the reservation form below to Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association, 440 Plaza Drive, Palmyra, PA 17078, or call (717)838-3283. Ticket price is \$17

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Harrisburg Sheraton East

Milk punch reception 6 00 p.m Dinner 6 30 p.m.

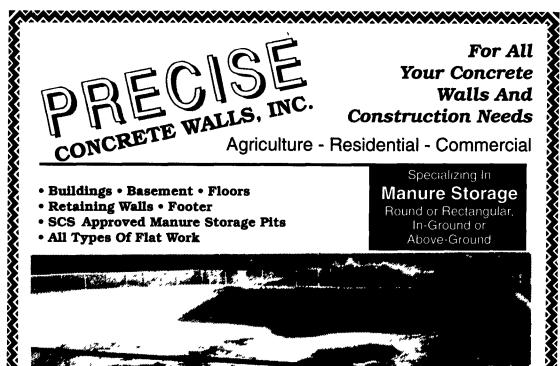
.....BANQUET TICKET RESERVATION FORM.....

Ticket orders must be received no later than Tuesday, January 9, 1998.

Name/Organization

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Return Ticket Reservation Form with check payable to: Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association 440 Plaza Drive Palmyra, PA 17078



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business so that it can be man-

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schools will be held 10 a.m. on

Fridays, Jan. 2 and Jan. 9 at the

Lancaster Farm and Home

Center, Lancaster. Reservations

are requested and can be made

by calling the Lancaster County

Cooperative Extension office,

(717)394-6851. Husbands and

wives and business partners are

encouraged to attend as a a

team. Cost is \$10 per farm and

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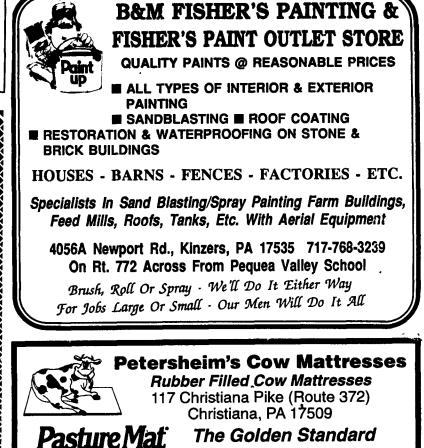
•Advantages and disadvantages of various styles and sizes of business.

•Key points of her management, including milk production and quality, herd health, reproduction, herd replacements, feeding and nutrition, forage quality, and housing and cow comfort.

•Ways to monitor progress of the dairy.

The other two schools are Jan. 15 and 22 at the Stephen S. Stoltzfus farm, 901 Peters Road. New Holland, and March 12 and 19 at the Lancaster Farm and Home Center.







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