

(Continued from Page A10) County Community College Conference Center, Nanticoke, 1 p.m.

- Annual Md. Ag Dinner, Michael's Eight Avnue, Glen Burnie.
- Johne's Disease Meeting, Somerset County Extension, Somerset. 1:30 p.m.

Enday, Ecbruary 6

- Junior Holstein Convention, Holiday Inn, Uniontown, thru Feb.
- PASA 7th Annual Farming For the Future Conference, Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center, State College, thru Feb. 7.
- Indiana Crops Day, Rustic Lodge, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Maryland Nutrient Management Certification Exam and Mid-Atlantic Certified Crop Adviser Exam, Maryland Dept. of Ag, Annapolis.
- Frederick County Milkers' School, U. of Md. Cooperative Extension, Frederick, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- Dairy Discussion Group, extension office, Ebensburg, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Commodity Marketing, Howard Johnson's, Millington, 7:30

Saturday, February 7

- EAYF Banquet, Mt. Airy/Durlach Fire Hall, 6:30 p.m.
- Pa. State Rabbit Breeders Association Annual Convention, Lebanon County Fairgrounds, thru Feb. 8.
- Susquehanna County 4-H presentations and public speaking workshop, Montrose government office building, Montrose, 9:30 a.m., also March 9, 7:30 D.M

Sunday, February 8

Monday, February 9

Field Crop Meeting for Producers, hosted by Rutger's Cooperative Extension, Monmouth County Extension, 9 a.m.-noon and

Hunterdon County Extension, 7 p.m.-10 p.m.

- Southern Maryland Agriculture Breakfast, Jaycees Community Center, Waldorf, Md., 8 a.m.-10:30 a.m.
- Northern Fruit Growers Meeting, Ramada Inn at Chinchilla in Lackawanna County, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- Capitol Area Turf and Ornamental Winter School, Holiday Inn, Grantville, 8:15 a.m.-3:05 p.m. Luesday, Lebruary 10
- New York State Berry Growers Association annual meetings in conjunction with the New York State Vegetable Conference and Trade Show, Four Points ITT/Sheraton Convention Center, Liverpool, N.Y., thru Feb. 12.
- Ephrata Area Young Farmers pesticide meeting, Family Time Restaurant, 6:45 p.m.
- Lancaster County Crops Day, Farm and Home Center.
- Southeast Fruit Meeting, Schuylkill County Ag Center, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
- New York State Vegetable Conference, Four Points Sheraton/ ITT, Liverpool, N.Y., thru Feb. 12.
- Southwest Pa. Breeders Forum, Somerset Vo-Tech School, Somerset, 10 a.m.
- Soil Fertility School, Lebanon and Dauphin Ag Centers, also Feb. 11, 17, and 18.
- Pa. Allied and Industrial Nursery Conference, Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., thru Feb. 11.
- Maryland/Delaware Peach School, Wye REC, Queenstown, Md., 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
- Pesticide Test, extension office, Ebensburg, 9 a.m.-noon.
- Western Potato Meeting, Tata's Restaurant (formerly Bonanza), Lyndora, 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Empire State Potato Club Meeting, Four Points ITT/Sheraton.
- Reducing Risk On Farm, Morrison

Gov. Ridge Releases Funds For Penn State Projects

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) – Calling Penn State University one of the gems of Pennsylvania's network of institutions of higher learning, Gov. Tom Ridge recently released nearly \$3 million in state capital budget funds for projects at two Penn State University campuses

Ridge released \$1.82 million for renovations to Penn State's Animal Diagnostic Laboratory and Incinerator at the University Park campus in State College. The facility's renovations and construction will include additional laboratory space and improved bio-security features.

Ridge also released \$1.14 million to replace the underground heating system at Penn State's Harrisburg campus.

The announcements are part of Gov. Ridge's \$200 million capital funding commitment to Penn State over the next five years

Ridge said the animal lab improvements "will help meet the regional demands for animal diagnostic services. Combined with the recent national accreditation of the Pennsylvania Animal Diagnostic Laboratory System, the commonwealth is becoming significantly better suited to help our state's livestock farmers to provide consumers throughout the world with high-quality, safe prod-

Cove Memorial Park, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Milking School, Berks County Ag Center, also Feb. 17.

ucts."

The Pennsylvania Animal **Diagnostic Laboratory** System is a unique cooperative agreement between Penn State University, the University of Pennsylvania and the state Agriculture Department. This system incorporates the professional and scientific expertise of the two universities' departments of veterinary sciences with the resources of the Agriculture Department's Bureau of Animal Health and Diagnostic Services and the Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission.

Ridge said the Harrisburg campus heating system is deteriorated beyond repair and is in a state of imminent failure. The new system is designed to provide service to the existing com-

plex, as well as accommodate future expansion.

Ridge also praised Penn State head football coach Joe Paterno and his wife, Sue, for committing \$3.5 million to Penn State to endow faculty positions and scholarships and to support two building projects.

"The Paternos' pride in Penn State is know throughout the commonwealth and the United States," Ridge said. "Joe and Sue have demonstrated their support of Penn State over the years, and their remarkable pledge today speaks volumes about their commitment to Penn State's mission."

Ridge noted that last year the Paternos donated \$250,000 for the Paterno wing of the Pattee Library at Penn State's main campus.

DeKalb Introduces New Corn

DEKALB, Illinois - Officials at Dekalb Genetics Corporation are excited to announce the introduction of 12 new corn hybrids.

These new conventional hybrids just released are in addition to 15 previously announced new specific-trait corn products (STPs) Dekalb will offer for the 1998 planting season.

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"Our research team is doing exactly what the Dekalb mission statement calls for, providing customers with quality products and services to increase their productivity and profitability," said Ken Rickenberger, director of seed marketing. "Dekalb's unparalleled productivity of both our conventional breeding and biotechnology research programs are providing farmers with exciting new elite germplasm and more choices to combat specific pests."



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