

Pennsylvania Young Farmers Summer Tour Slated

The Tulpehocken Young Farmers cordially invite you to participate in the 1998 Pennsylvania Young Farmers Summer Tour and Conference. This hands-on education program will focus on educational tours of farms and agribusinesses, farmer to farmer sharing of ideas, and the statewide summer business meeting.

The tours and conference is scheduled for Thursday, July 16 and Friday, July 17. The headquarters will be the Tulpehocken High School, located northwest of Bernville, A brief schedule of events is as follows:

Thursday's participants will be able to select one of the following tour schedules: Tour A: Rigidply Rafters, Farmer Boy Ag, Dutch Valley Foods and Tour B: Da-Jac Sawmill, Mor-Dale Dairy Farm, Johnson Farms Nursery, then later in the evening we will host the annual Conference Banquet at Lantern Lodge, Myerstown. Josh Copp, former Tulpehocken FFA member will provide the musical entertainment for the evening. Josh won national honors in the FFA talent contest.

Friday the activities include tours of Skyline Acrs a new 450-cow dairy facility, MT Springs Resort & Rodeo, complete with a rodeo demonstration, and Roadside America, the nation's largest miniature village and train display. We will have lunch at Kaufman's Bar-B-Que Ranch and Miniature Golf Course.

Mark you calendar now and plan on attending. Registration deadline is July 1. For hotel accommodations, call the Lantern Lodge at 717-866-6536, a block of rooms are being held at a discount rate for Young Farmer members, to get the special room rate your reservation must be made by June

Pennsylvania Young Farmers Summer Tours and Conference Schedule of Events

Thursday July 16:

Registration & Hospitality at Tulpehocken High School 9 am - Noon

12 Noon Lunch at Tulpehocken High School LPM

Lour A

Rigidply Rafters Larmer Boy Ag

Dutch Valley Foods Distribution

Return to High School by bus

Banquet at Lantern Lodge, Myerstown, PA 7 PM

FRIDAY July 17

4 30 PM

Breakfast on your own

Business Meeting

Tour - all buses will leave from the high school 9 00 AM Skyline Acres

MT Springs Resort & Rodeo

Anthony's Feed Mill Lunch - Kaufman's Bar-B-Que Ranch and Miniature Golf Course

Depart for home

Registration Lees

Full registration (2 lunch & 1 banquet)	\$30 00
I hursday lunch	7.50
Thursday evening banquet	20 00
choice of Filet Mignon or Loin of	Pork
Friday lunch	6 50
children's lunch	5 00
miniature golf (optional)	2 50

The I antern I odge, located at the corner of Route 501 & Route 422 will be the hotel headquarters for the Conference Make overnight accommodations directly with them call at 717-866-6536 Ask for special Young Farmer rates

Send all registration fees payable to and information to

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1999 National Young Farmers **Educational Institute**

Excitement is growing as the plans are falling into place for the 1999 National Young Farmers Educational Institute in Hershey, Pa. The convention will bring together farmers and educators from all over the United States to the Hershey Lodge and Convention center on December 8-11, 1999.

At the reason meeting the committee coordinators revealed progress being made. Some exhibitors are committed, but many more are needed. Sponsors and contributors are being sought for this big event. Contact Frederick Bohn, 2 Georgie Lane, Richland, PA 17087, 717-866-9116. Currently planning includes tours of the Gettysburg area, Kutztown area, Lancaster area, and Lebanon area.

Lour B

Da-Jac Sawmill

Mor-Dale Dairy Larm

Johnson Farms Nursery

Educational seminars are being scheduled for Saturday, December 11, with six seminars repeating themselves and two longer sessions for panel discussions.

It was reported that the banquets are already scheduled, and a list of potentional speakers and entertainers is being developed, including going to Sight and Sound Theatre in Strasburg, Pa. Ladies programs include shopping at Rockvale Square, food demonstrations, crafts, miniseminars, and a holiday tour. Advisers seminars will include timely topics for the executive secretaries who attend from the other states.

A timeline was developed to allow everyone to coordinate planning activities.

All program information is to be turned in August 1. On September 15 programs will be ready for the printer, and by November 15, the programs will be ready for distribution.

If anyone is interested in helping with this event, additional assistance will be appreciated. Contact 1999 National Institute Chairman Larry Wilkinson, 555 Rentzel Rd., Gettysburg, PA 17325, 717-334-6993.

President's Report

As I sit writing this most of Pennsylvania's farmers are waiting as fast as they can for the rain to end so we can all get in the fields again and try to get back on schedule for the year. Hopefully the above average rainfall this spring is indicative of adequate rainfall amounts this summer also.

This past winter has been very interesting and busy as I have had the privilege of visiting many local chapters activities and banquets. It is especially encouraging for me to see the PYFA at the local level, see new people getting involved, as well as meeting old friends. I am impressed with the effort and support that I see in many areas. I enjoyed the warm welcome at each activity and thanks to the Cedar Crest chapter, I am now literally full of bologna! Thanks again Dick!

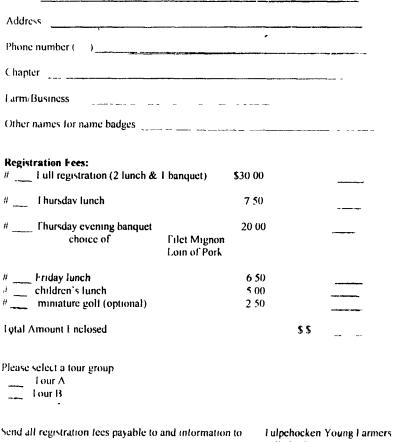
Coming up this summer are the NYFEA Summer Leadership Conference in Orlando, Florida, July 3 - 6 and the Pa. Summer Conference on July 16 and 17, being hosted by the Tulpehocken Chapter. I would encourage any of you who can to plan to attend these activities. Also, coming up before we know it will be the 1999 Winter Convention, February 2-4, 1999, hosted by the Manheim Chapter at the Comfort Inn, Centerville Road located at the Centerville exit of Route 30 west of Lancaster. Some real interesting tours and sessions are being planned. Come out, support the Young Farmers, enjoy and learn.



David Groff, Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association president.

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