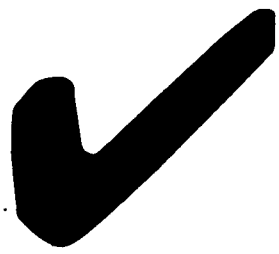


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Ag Progress Days Aug. 15-17

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Penn State is well known for its contributions to the science and technology that drive our food and fiber system, and some of the university's recent inventions and innovations will be on display at Penn State's Ag Progress Days, Aug. 15-17.

Sponsored by the College of Agricultural Sciences, the event is conducted at Rockspring, nine miles southwest of State College on Rt. 45.

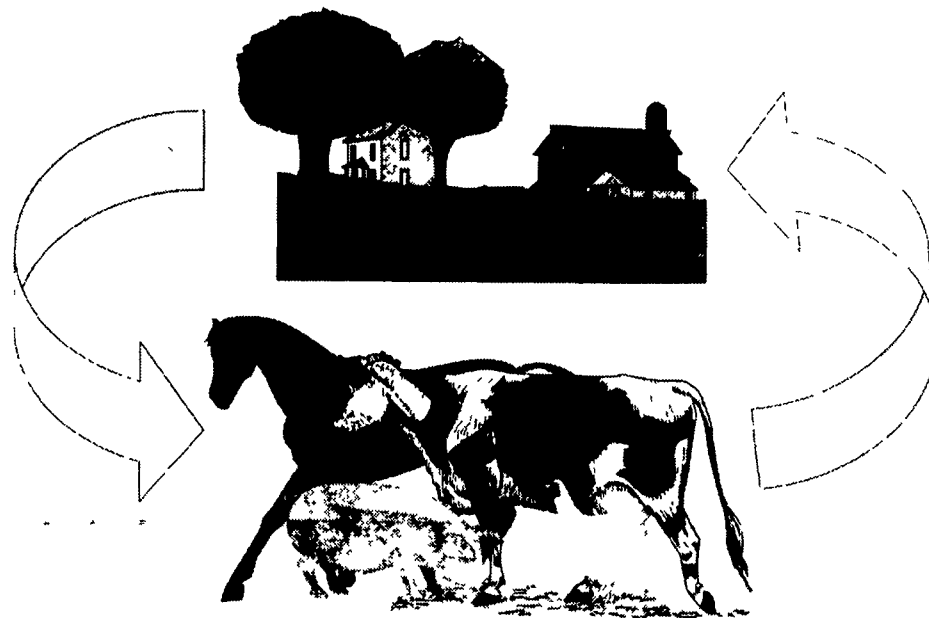
"Tools and processes developed by Penn State researchers have played a large role in making agriculture and related industries Pennsylvania's top

economic sector," said Ag Progress Days manager Bob Oberheim. "We're planning interactive exhibits that will give folks a hands-on look at some recent Penn State innovations, from turfgrass mulch made from paper to a machine that makes egg shell waste valuable by separating the shells from their inner membrane."

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Nutrient Management Reference Guide



A reference guide for farmers and nutrient management planners on the new revised regulations as authorized by the Pennsylvania Conservation Commission in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection, Penn State University, county cooperative extension, and county soil conservation districts.

This 40+ page, 8 1/2 x 11-inch book will include introduction of recent changes in the nutrient management laws, a checklist to develop a Nutrient Management Plan, and descriptions of CAFOs and AFOs along with help to determine your farm's status. In addition, a list of the county conservation districts and commercial nutrient management specialists will be given with contact resources.

Not only will this guide be inserted into the Aug. 19, 2000 issue of Lancaster Farming, the books will be made available at Empire Days, Ag Progress Days, All American Dairy Show, Keystone International Livestock Exposition, Keystone Farm Show 2001 and Pennsylvania Farm Show 2001.

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Other new attractions planned for this year's event include a farm equipment manufacturers' "show and-tell"; a farm vehicle and equipment highway safety workshop; a "horseless" equine skill-a-thon for youth; field demonstrations of corn and grain planters, and rakes and tedders; and an outdoor Pasto Agricultural Museum exhibit of animal-powered farm tools.

Oberheim said returning field demonstrations will include hay mowing, baling, bale handling, a skid steer rodeo, and a special high-tunnel vegetable production tour.

Other exhibits, tours, and workshops will feature cutting-edge research and information on crops and soils, animal science, dairy and livestock production, integrated pest management, farm safety, conservation practices and woodlot management. More than 325 commercial and non-commercial exhibitors also will be on hand to display the latest goods and services.

In addition, a variety of family and consumer-oriented attractions are planned, including family living exhibits and demonstrations, an expanded corn maze, cut flower beds and exhibits, storytelling, horse exhibitions, live animal and insect displays, lawn and garden advice, and antiques exhibits.

Penn State's Ag Progress Days features more than 500 acres of educational and commercial exhibits, tours, and machinery demonstrations. It is conducted at the Russell E. Larson Agricultural Research Center at Rockspring, nine miles southwest of State College on Rt. 45. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Wednesday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Thursday. Admission and parking are free.

For more information, call (800) PSU-1010 toll-free from July 10 to Aug. 17 or visit the Ag Progress Days site on the World Wide Web at <http://apd.cas.psu.edu>.