

"PFGC - The First 40 Years" will premier at Wayne Harpster's farm during Ag Progress.

PFGC—A Time To Celebrate!

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your first opportunity to see this publication Wednesday evening, Aug. 16 (during Ag Progress Days), when the council celebrates its 40 years of service to Pennsylvania's forage/livestock industry at our annual picnic at Wayne Harpster's retreat along the majestic Spruce Creek near Seven Stars, 7¹/₂ miles west of the Ag Progress Days site.

In addition to a brief look back into the early history of grassland agriculture in our state, this 120page book highlights many of the great projects undertaken by the council over the past 40 years, which have contributed much to our forage/livestock industries. These include our educational hay and silage programs, forage and Ag Progress days, in-depth forage workshops, our nationally recognized alfalfa growers program, and our outstanding grassland farmers program plus many others.

One of the goals of the council from its beginning has been to identify and recognize individuals ---producers, scientists, teachers and others- who have made outstanding contributions to some aspect of forge and grassland improvement in the state. In our publication we've identified about 200 individuals, mainly producers, who have been recognized, and this does not include the hundreds of outstanding hay and silage producers recognized in the past 40 years at our many statewide and regional hay and silage shows! We've also included about 140 photos to help highlight some of the activities and people over the years. Even so, we know we have missed many who deserve to be recognized. For this we apologize.

We'd like to have as many as possible of our award winners, and

members, join us on Aug. 16. It will be a great time to greet old friends and enjoy the fellowship. Information on the event, including a registration form, is included elsewhere in this issue of Foraging Around. Advanced registrations are necessary for what promises to be a great meal and program.

Every paid up member of the council will receive a complimentary copy of the history either at or following the celebration. Additional copies can be purchased after the Aug. 16 event for \$6 each, which includes postage and handling. Contact Dick Hann, PFGC Headquarters, P.O. Box 355, Hershey, PA 17033.

Incidentally, if for some reason you are not now a paid up member of PFGC, why not sign up? You can include your membership dues when you send in your reservation for our celebration. Or send in your membership dues separately if you prefer.

It's, a great way to get a complimentary copy of our history. Furthermore, the council urges and needs the active support of every grasslander in Pennsylvania.







