

All-Dairy Antiques, Collectibles Show To Be Conducted

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Dairy antiques, collectibles, milk bottles, and "go with" items of all types will be displayed at the third annual All-Dairy Antiques and Collectibles Show Sept. 23-27. Exhibitors are already registered from California, Connecticut, Minnesota, New York and Pennsylvania. Others are expected from Maryland, Michigan, Ohio and Virginia. Most will have many items for sale or trade.

Special exhibits will be provided by Rutter's Dairy, York. The era of home delivery of milk and other dairy products will be covered with the exhibition of three of their restored delivery vehicles — a horse drawn milk wagon used in the 1920's, a 1936 Thorne gas/electric truck used in the 1930's and 40's, and a 1967 Ford which was used during the final years of home delivery. About 80 percent of Americans

had their milk and other dairy products delivered in the 1950's. In the 1970's, with the rise of mothers working away from home, the numbers dropped to 10 percent. Today, less than one percent of Americans have milk delivered to their homes.

This year, for the first time, the show will highlight De Laval items. Because of De Laval's long, historic legacy in the dairy industry, their brand was select-

ed for emphasis and special attention during the event.

The show will open at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 23 and end at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 27, 2000. Exhibitors are encouraged to stay as long as possible, but are not required to stay for all five days.

Because this show is restricted to dairy antiques, collectibles and milk bottles, it is unique on the East Coast. Exhibitors and visitors will find it a great place to

see and buy, as well as learn, because much effort is devoted to making the displays educational with descriptive labels and signs. Held in conjunction with the 37th All-American Dairy Show, the All-Dairy Antiques and Collectibles Show allows visitors to view seldom-seen dairy tools used in the late 1800's and early 1900's, while seeing some of the nation's modern and best dairy cattle in the barns and show ring.

Dairy Show To Host Meet-A-Cow Day

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Got milk? The All-American Dairy Show does and they invite local residents to see where their milk comes from at the first-ever Meet-a-Cow Day, Sunday, Sept. 24, from noon till 4 p.m. The event is free and will highlight all aspects of the dairy industry, including calves, nutrition and milk production.

"Meet-a-Cow Day is a fun event designed to introduce consumers to this great milk-making animal, the cow," said Lolly Leshner, promotions coordinator for the All-American. "Not only will visitors be able to have an up-close-and-personal experience with dairy animals, but they will leave with the knowledge of the importance of the dairy industry to Pennsylvania and the importance of dairy products in their daily diet."

Volunteers from The Pennsylvania State University, local dairy promotion organizations and Pennsylvania Dairy Princesses will serve as escorts for the educational event, and all participants will receive a free dairy treat, courtesy of Turkey Hill Dairy, after their dairy journey is complete.

"We have extended invitations to the local Big Brothers and Big Sisters organizations, hoping to bring in children for this outstanding program," said Leshner. "This event is the first time the doors of the All-American Dairy Show will be opened to the public and we hope the people of Harrisburg will take advantage of this opportunity to learn about agriculture."

Agribusiness Adds Rewards To Champion Winners

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — In an unprecedented move, agri-industry will support the All-American Dairy Show with substantial financial incentives to breeders who bring their best cattle to the All-American Dairy Show in Harrisburg, Sept. 24-28. The parade of champions during the Supreme Champion Pageant, the highlight of the week's shows, will now represent a combined \$10,000, the highest total ever at the All-American Dairy Show.

Agway, Keystone Enterprise, is the sponsor of the Supreme Champion this year, and will be awarding \$3,000 to the winner in addition to the John L. Morris Supreme Champion blanket. This is a first in the dairy industry to award such an amount to any one animal. Agway's generous contribution is an example of their desire to support and energize the dairy industry.

Each of the breed champions will be awarded a monetary prize.

- The grand champion Ayrshire will be awarded \$1,000 by Taurus Service, Inc. and the Pennsylvania Ayrshire Breeder's Association.
- The Brown Swiss grand champion will receive \$1,000, donated by Triple H Construction.
- The grand champion Guernsey will receive \$1,000, presented by Renaissance Nutrition.
- The grand champion of the All-American Jersey Show will receive \$1,000, presented by Westfalia-Surge, Inc.
- The Milking Shorthorn grand champion will receive \$1,000, donated by Farmshine magazine.
- Select Sires is sponsoring the All-American Holstein Champion, and will present \$2,000 to the grand champion of this show.

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