



## PRODUCTIVE MIXES FOR SERIOUS GRAZIERS

Rohrer's Seeds has two serious mixes designed for management intensive grazing - the Pasture Perfect® Mid-Atlantic Grazer Mix and the Pasture Perfect® Triple Purpose Mix.

**Mid-Atlantic Grazer Mix** is designed for the serious grazer in the Mid-Atlantic region. It is composed of 50% grazing type orchard-grasses that can take our summers. This mix also includes highly palatable tetraploids which make milk and weight gain. For the finishing touch we've added two excellent clovers.

### Pasture Perfect® Mid-Atlantic Grazer Mix

- 30% Tekapo Orchardgrass
- 20% Vision Orchardgrass
- 20% Duo Festulolium
- 20% Tonga Perennial Ryegrass
- 5% Jumbo Ladino Clover
- 5% Starfire Red Clover

**Triple Purpose** is a great mix for taking a first cutting of hay. For the remainder of the year you can add it to your rotation. A grazing alfalfa has been added for summer performance. This mix will also make great horse hay.

### Pasture Perfect® Triple Purpose Mix

- 50% Tekapo Orchardgrass
- 20% Tonga Perennial Ryegrass
- 15% Tuukka Timothy
- 10% Wintercrown Alfalfa
- 5% Jumbo Ladino Clover

**Tuukka**  
TIMOTHY



**STAR FIRE**  
RED CLOVER

WINTER CROWN



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# Moore's Economic Outlook To Highlight Crops Conferences

CREAMERY (Montgomery Co.) — Lou Moore, Penn State agricultural economics professor will deliver the keynote address for the 2003 Southeast Pennsylvania Crops Conferences.

His keynote address, "What does the future hold for local producers?" will reflect Dr. Moore's more than four decades of professional experience. Now in its second year, the conferences are scheduled for Jan. 28-31.

Daytime and evening sessions are scheduled at convenient locations throughout Southeast Pennsylvania. Locations include:

• Jan. 28 - East Brandywine Firehall, Chester County (daytime).

• Jan. 29 - Allentown Days Inn, Lehigh County (daytime and evening).

• Jan. 30 - Montgomery County 4-H Center, Montgomery County (daytime and evening).

• Jan. 31 - Leesport Farmers' Market, Berks County (daytime).

Agricultural experts representing Canada and the Northeast United States will offer quality information to keep agricultural producers updated on current issues.

Some highlights of this year's program include: fumigation recertification credits (Lehigh and

Montgomery County locations), hands-on weed identification, update on the new 2002 Farm Bill, small grain management, and nutrient uptake of crops.

Both core and category pesticide recertification credits will be available.



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When you have to make a decision about your operation, you probably want good information to help you make the best decision. Similarly, when others are making decisions about agriculture, we all hope that they use as much good information as possible. Like it or not, there will continue to be regulations, legislation, and other decisions made about agriculture that have an impact on your operation. Just as on your farm, policy decisions made with little or no information can be as bad as those made with wrong information.

It is important for all of us to have the facts to define, promote, and sometimes to defend agriculture. Remember the 1989 Alar scare where the lack of information allowed rumors and inaccuracies to cause huge losses in the apple industry?

Obviously, all decisions about agriculture are not always popular or successful but at least we can reevaluate and change course based on accurate and more timely information.

Sometimes, various groups within our own agricultural community disagree on ag policy. But they all seem to agree that it is important to have factual information on the issues at hand instead of speculation, guesses, and gut feelings.

No one likes to fill out government forms. But the five-year Census of Agriculture, and other grower surveys in between, are the best way to generate the facts about agriculture. There are many other organizations that conduct surveys of growers. Some are marketing studies done solely for the benefit of a company or client who can afford to pay for the study. The resulting information is generally not made public.

The purpose of a federal statistical agency is so that important information about agriculture is not only in the hands of those can afford to pay for it. Instead, it is public information. In this way, discussions and decisions about agriculture can be evaluated on a level playing field, where everyone has the best information possible.



Large dairies often require a huge labor force. How do dairies deal with communication management issues involving Hispanic labor? What are the challenges other producers have faced and what are their suggestions? See the next issue of *Lancaster Farming's Dairy Plus*, geared toward large-scale dairy operations, in the Feb. 15 issue. Also scheduled: news from the Penn State Hispanic Workforce Management Conference and what's required for the survival of the Northeast dairy industry.

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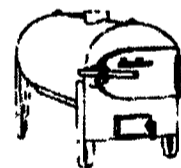
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