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Mid-Atlantic Direct Marketing Conference, Holiday Inn Select, Timonium, Md., thru Feb. 22, (301) 405-2436.

Hands-on Instruction in making artisanal cheeses and other specialty dairy products, Tioga, N.Y., (607) 699-7968.

Dairy Conference on Infectious Diseases of Dairy Cattle, Greenbriar Conference Center, Wooster, Ohio, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., (330) 264-8722.

Christmas Tree Management Short Course, Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center, University Park, thru Feb. 20, (814) 863-0908.

Living on a Few Acres, Lehigh County Ag Center, Allentown, Wednesdays thru April 2, (610) 391-9840.

Passing on the Farm Workshop, Kreider's Restaurant, Manheim, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., (717) 664-7077.

York and Lancaster Fruit Growers All-Day Educational Meeting, York County Extension office, (717) 334-6271.

Central Susquehanna Valley Agricultural Workforce Conference, Carriage Corner Restaurant, Mifflinburg, 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Columbia County Ag Conference, Portabella, Bloomsburg, 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m., (570) 784-4722, ext. 114.

Westmoreland County Crops Day, Extension Office,

Greensburg, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Agricultural Labor Conference, Carriage Corner Restaurant, Rt. 45, Mifflinburg, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., (888) 922-5420.

**Thursday, February 20**

Pa. Holstein Association annual meeting and convention sale, Holiday Inn, Bethlehem.

Viticulture 2003, Buffalo Convention Center and Buffalo Hyatt Regency Hotel, Buffalo, N.Y., thru Feb. 22.

Agricultural Outlook Forum, Arlington Virginia Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel, thru Feb. 21, (877) 891-2208.

Pesticide Update Meeting, Milford Township Building, Spinnerstown, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., also Feb. 27, (215) 345-3283.

Cecil County Maryland Extension Ag Update, Ed Walls Building, Fair Hill, Md.

**Friday, February 21**

Bucks County Extension annual meeting, St. Matthew's Lutheran Church, Kellers Church.

Agricultural Biotechnology Conference, Bromfield Auditorium, Ohio Dept. of Ag, Reynoldsburg, (614) 292-0315.

Governor's Conference on Delaware Agriculture, Modern Maturity Center, Dover, Del., breakfast at 7:15 a.m., (302) 831-2512.

Annual KAFMO Athletic Field Conference, Holiday Inn, Grantville, (717) 921-8803.

Horticulture Lecture Series, Winter Landscaping, Kent County Extension Office, 709 Morgneq Road, Chestertown, Md., 1st floor meeting room, 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m., (410) 778-1661. Also Feb. 28 Composting; March 7 Propagation; March 14 Weeds and Bugs; March 21 Perennials; March 28 Herb Garden.

Pa. Holstein Association Awards Banquet, (814) 234-0362 or (814) 880-2723.

**Saturday, February 22**

Youth Leaders Seminar, Arena Restaurant, Bedford, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Bedford County Extension, (814) 623-4800.

Regional Christmas Tree Seminar, Novasel Civic Center, Indiana, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Pruning Seminar, Western Maryland Research and Education Center, Keedysville, Md., (301) 972-0848.

**Sunday, February 23**

Pa. Game Breeders Conference, Days Inn State College, thru Feb. 26, (814) 865-5523.

Penn State Cooperative Extension's Open House, 724 Phillips St., Suite 201, Stroudsburg, 4 p.m.-7 p.m., (570) 421-6430.

**Monday, February 24**

Soil Fertility Workshop, 118 ASI Building, Penn State, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

York County Pesticide Update, Extension Office, 10 a.m.-noon and 7 p.m.-9 p.m., (717) 840-7408.

Howard County Mid-Winter Ag Meeting, Dining Hall, Howard County Fairgrounds, 6:30 p.m., (410) 313-2702.

**Tuesday, February 25**

Manure Management Workshop, 118 ASI Building, Penn State, 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

# Charles Breaks Harvest Barrier



**HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.)** — Eric Charles, Lancaster, right, broke the harvest barrier for mechanical harvest of tomatoes when he collected 873.6 tons of usable fruit for Furman Foods on 15.9 acres for a 54.9-tons-per-acre average yield. Since 1989, James Kohl, vice president, Furman Foods, left, has offered growers a crisp \$100 bill to anyone who could break the 50-bushel-per-acre harvest barrier, which he presented Thursday afternoon to Eric. More about the harvest results and other winners is scheduled for the March 8 issue of *Lancaster Farming Grower & Marketer*. Photo by Andy Andrews, editor

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