

PYFA Summer Conference Set For Delaware Valley College

DOYLESTOWN (Bucks Co.) — The Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association's Summer Conference is scheduled here at Delaware Valley College July 7-9.

It will be hosted by Delaware Valley College, Upper Buck AVTS, and Philadelphia's W.B. Saul High School.

Early Bird registrations are due by April 30. Registration forms are included in this issue of *Lancaster Farming*.

Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association
Summer Conference Registration Form
Delaware Valley College
July 7, 8 & 9, 2003

Note: Copy this form & use one copy for each person attending the conference. If this is a registration form for a child, please list age _____ years.

Name _____ For Office Use _____
Street _____ (Cont. ID No. _____)
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Telephone _____ Email _____
Young Farmer Chapter _____

Activity Choices: This Section Must be Completed by All for Reservations

Monday (July 7th) Activities (1:00 - 4:00 p.m.) - Rank 1st, 2nd & 3rd Choices
 Honey Hollow Environment Center (Transportation Provided)
 Peddler's Village (Transportation Provided)
 Wishing on a Crossing Historic Sights (Also to New Hope) (Transportation Provided)

Tuesday (July 8th) Workshops (1:00 - 4:00 p.m.) - Rank 1st, 2nd & 3rd Choices
 A Lessons for Saving the Planet - Dr. Dennis Avery Hudson Institute
 B Living on a Few Acres - Mike Fournier & Scott Gaiser PSU Coop Ext
 C Weed ID - Dr. Jackie Ricotta DVC
 D Plant Diseases - Dr. Barbara Muse DVC
 E Hydroponics Crop Production - Dr. Ron Musc DVC
 F ABC's of Beekeeping - Dr. Robert Berthold DVC
 G Introduction to Small Animal Skills - Dr. James Hammer DVC
 H Wildlife Conservation - Dr. Gary Fortner DVC
 I Equine Gait & Movement - Ms. Karin Glassman DVC
 J Hardscaping & Landscaping - Mr. Howard Fyrc DVC
 K Small Animal Care & Concepts - Dr. Kenneth B. Kephart (\$10.00 fee)
 L Modular Classroom Instruction - Posey Jones DFCO Inc.
 M Metal Welding & Cutting Technologies - James Rosenthal Lincoln Electric

Tuesday (July 8th) Spouse/Guests Program (Select one or Both) (1:00 - 5:30 p.m.)
 Flower Arranging (1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.) David Mush Upper Bucks AVTS
 Peddler's Village (2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.) (Transportation Provided)

Wednesday (July 9th) Tours (11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) - Rank 1st, 2nd & 3rd Choices
Packed lunches & refreshments included with each tour
Some tours may exclude children
 1 W.B. Saul High School Philadelphia
 2 Meat Picking Plants - Must be at least 21 years of age to participate.
 3 WAWA Dunes & Phillips Mushrooms Farms
 4 Jindal's Turkey Farm Schmitz's Greenhouses & Atlantic Aquaculture Operation
 5 Philadelphia Zoo behind the scenes tour \$10 Admission Fee Pay at Registration
 6 Herr's Potato Chip Factory & Herr's Cattle Exhibit

See newsletter for more detailed description of all conference activities

Registration Fees for PYFA members, spouses, children & guests

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| Early Bird Reg. Before 04/30/03 | Regular Registration 05/01/03 to 06/15/03 | LATE Registration After 06/16/03 |
| MONDAY - July 7th (Optional Day) | COMPLETE Monday Adult Package (Includes Dinner & Registration) | |
| | \$30.00 | \$37.00 |
| INDIVIDUAL ITEM Registration | | |
| Registration to participate in Suggested Afternoon Activities <u>except</u> Dinner | \$14.00 | \$17.00 |
| Reservations for Dinner Only | \$16.00 | \$16.00 |
| Reservations for Dinner for a child 6 to 12 years of age | \$8.00 | \$8.00 |
| Reservations for Monday's PAFA Foundation Sponsored Social | Yes | No |
| Reservations for Wednesday's DVC Campus Tour | Yes | No |
| TUESDAY July 8th (PYFA Conference Day 1) | | |
| Complete Tuesday Adult Package (Includes all meals and registrations) | | |
| | \$54.00 | \$62.00 |
| Registration for Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner for a child 6 to 12 years of age | \$18.75 | \$18.75 |
| WEDNESDAY July 9 (PYFA Conference Day 2) | | |
| Complete Wednesday Adult Package (Includes all meals and registrations) | | |
| | \$70.00 | \$85.00 |
| INDIVIDUAL ITEM Registration | | |
| Registration only to participate in a tour including packed lunch & refreshments | \$35.00 | \$42.00 |
| Breakfast only for an adult | \$5.50 | \$5.50 |
| Breakfast only for a child 6 to 12 years of age | \$2.75 | \$2.75 |
| Dinner Social & Admission only to Mercet Museum for an adult | \$30.00 | \$30.00 |
| Dinner Social & Admission only to Mercet Museum for a child 6 to 12 years | \$15.00 | \$15.00 |
| GRAND TOTAL DUE \$ _____ | | |

2003 Summer Ag Ed Conference
Delaware Valley College
July 7, 8, 9 & 10

Campus Housing Request Form

Name _____ (For Office Use)
 Street _____ (Cont. ID No. _____)
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Telephone _____ Email _____
 School Business Organization _____ Date form completed _____
 OR
 Young Farmer Chapter _____ Date form completed _____

Campus Housing Requested for [] Adults + [] Children for the following nights
 Monday July 7th for _____ Beds @ \$20.00/day = \$ _____
 Tuesday July 8th for _____ Beds @ \$20.00/day = \$ _____
 Wednesday July 9th for _____ Beds @ \$20.00/day = \$ _____

2 Sheets, 2 bath towels, 2 wash clothes,
 1 pillow, 1 pillowcase, \$3.40/bed/week @ _____ beds = \$ _____

Total Due for Dorm Housing \$ _____
Be sure to mail this request and payment with Conference Registration Form TO
Make Checks Payable to: PAAL Summer Conference and
 Send this form and payment to: John Irving, PAAL Conference Treasurer
 2670 Robert Fulton Highway
 Peach Bottom, PA 17563
 FAX: (610) 593-6425
 School: (610) 593-8259
 Home: (717) 548-0234
 Email: jpei22@hotmail.com

OR
Make Checks Payable to: PYFA Summer Conference and
 Send this form and payment to: Linda Krall, PYFA Conference Treasurer
 231 Luce Lane
 Lebanon, PA 17042
 Home: (717) 274-2640
 Email: krallfarm@aol.com

Cattle Industry Leaders Make Impact On Top Policy Issues

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Members of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA) left their mark on Capitol Hill during the 2003 Spring Conference, as more than 250 cattlemen from across the country met with key members of Congress and top government agency staff April 9-11.

"Washington D.C. is a long way from the cattle ranch, and it's imperative for us to bring all of our concerns, priorities, and personal stories to federal lawmakers and government officials," explains Idaho cattle rancher and NCBA President Eric Davis.

Rep. Hershey Receives Friend Of Beginning Farmer Award

MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — As a farmer and a legislator, Rep. Arthur Hershey (R-13) of Cochransville understands the need to help new farmers get started, particularly in rapidly urbanizing areas such as Chester County.

The 10-term lawmaker has deep roots in the limestone soils of Chester County, where his oldest son, Duane, operates the 350-cow family farm that Hershey started in 1959.

Putting his words into actions, Hershey demonstrated his commitment to helping the next generation get started by beginning the planning process with Duane when he was only six. Although Hershey was dedicated to treating his four children fairly, he realized that that doesn't necessarily mean equally. When setting up the farm transfer, he took into consideration the many years his son had helped on the farm and his investment in the farm.

A supportive spouse is essential too, he says, so he recommends waiting until a child has married and both are interested in a farming venture. He believes parents should do everything possible to enable their children to succeed. He said, "When we leave this earth, the only thing we leave are our children ... that's something money can't replace."

Hershey's interests in farming go beyond his family and his farm. His dual interests in agriculture and the environment are illustrated by his work as a Chester County lawmaker on the House Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee and serving as chair of the Environmental Resources and Energy Committee. As a sponsor of the Growing Greener legislation, Hershey worked to find the difficult balance between providing adequate funding to preserve the environment and addressing current fiscal constraints.

In addition, Hershey worked to maintain Pennsylvania's national number one standing in mushroom production by sponsoring legislation along with the depart-

ments of environmental protection and agriculture that prohibit the Environmental Quality Board from applying specific air pollution regulations to the production of agricultural commodities. He strengthened the veterinary industry in Pennsylvania by amending the Veterinary Practice Act to incorporate changes important to the veterinary community and acceptable to others involved in veterinary education, and animal rights and health care.

Marion Bowlan, executive director of Pennsylvania Farm Link, said the organization initiated this award to honor those who have demonstrated a commitment to helping Pennsylvania's beginning farmers.

She said, "Hershey demonstrated his personal commitment to beginners both personally, by actively encouraging and enabling his son to take over his farm, and legislatively, by sponsoring farm-friendly legislation and by assisting Pennsylvania Farm Link in securing funding."

Pennsylvania Farm Link is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the mission of creating farming opportunities for the next generation. For more information on how to enter farming or to transition your farm to the next generation, contact the Farm Link office at (717) 664-7077.



Marion Bowlan provides a special honor to Rep. Arthur Hershey (R-13).

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