

# Northeast To Host The 2005 Ag Agent Convention

**BUFFALO, N.Y.** — The Pennsylvania Association of County Agricultural Agents (PACAA) had announced that the National Association of County Agricultural Agents' Annual Meeting and Professional Improvement Conference will be July 17-21, 2005, here in Buffalo.

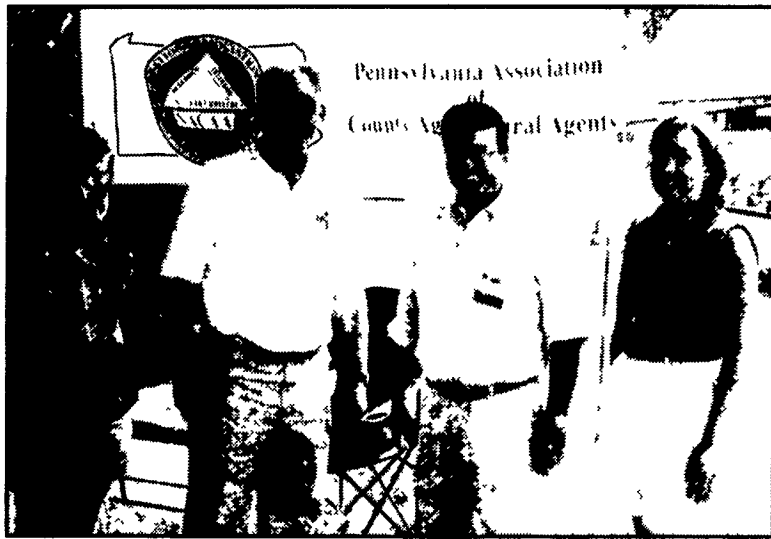
Plans are well under way for a successful meeting to showcase Pennsylvania and the entire northeast region's agriculture

and natural resources. PACAA anticipates up to 2,000 county agents, extension educators, and their families to attend and take part in the many educational opportunities the conference offers.

This national conference is a unique opportunity for everyone to become involved in showcasing our region's agricultural production, processing, and support industry.

Conference highlights include:

- Major presentations by key people in agriculture.
- Salute to American and world agriculture leaders.
- Poster exhibits of outstanding Extension programming efforts throughout the country.
- "Taste of the Northeast" dinner.
- "Search for Excellence" seminars featuring successful education programs and research.
- Forums for exchanging



Robert Steele, second from right, helps launch the Pennsylvania Association of County Agricultural Agents (PACAA) fund raising campaign at this year's Ag Progress Days.

knowledge, ideas, and experiences.

- Professional improvement tours showcasing Northeast agriculture.
- Breakout luncheon sessions covering research and outreach initiatives and issues.
- Motivational speakers.

- Recognition and achievement banquets.
- VIP program and dinner.

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Tuesday - Conference (Holiday Inn) • Wednesday - Farm Tours

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*Tuesday agenda includes:*

- **BVD & Lepto - Impact, Protocols**  
Dr Chris Rossiter, Steve Bechard, Poulin Grain, Newport, VT
- **Intensified Feeding - Effects, Post Fresh Results**  
Dr. Mike Van Amburgh, Cornell University
- **Breeding Programs & Economics**  
Dr Ken Leslie, Ontario Veterinary College
- **Repro Handling Facilities**  
Dr. Dan McFarland, Penn State University
- **Bottom Line Impact of Replacement Program**  
Jason Karszes, Cornell University
- **Producer Panel**
- **Best Management Practices**  
Dr Don Gardner, Huddleston, VA



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### Tuesday Evening - Social & Dinner

- **Process Management** - Dr Roger Saltman, Pfizer

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### Wednesday - PDHGA-sponsored Farm Tours

- **Alan Hainesworth's Calf Facility, Mt. Morris, NY**  
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