

# Pa. Young Farmer Winter Conference Feb. 3-5

**QUARRYVILLE** (Lancaster Co.) — The Solanco Young Farmers chapter in Quarryville is hosting the annual winter conference of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers, Feb. 3-5 at Willow Valley Conference Center in Lancaster County.

Included will be several tours of local ag businesses and farms.

To register with Willow Valley Hotel, call (800) 369-9877, fax (717) 464-4482, or [www.willowvalley.com](http://www.willowvalley.com). Single or double room rate is \$79. Triple is \$89 with 11 percent tax. Make reservations by Jan. 2.

For more information, call Axel Linde, (717) 529-6963.

## Tour Descriptions for the PYFA Winter Conference

### Tuesday Morning Optional Tour

- Lancaster's Central Market. This is America's oldest farmers' market, continuously operated since 1730.

The 1889 market building is a Victorian gem, so bring your camera. The tradition of market today is more like an international whirlwind of foods from here and around the world. The aisles are filled with a wonderful harvest of choices from old world and new, from Amish, German, Greek, Caribbean, Middle East-

ern, and Slavic backgrounds making Lancaster's Central Market a gathering place so full of life you will never forget the experience.

### Tuesday's Afternoon Tours

- Oak Shade Cheese Plant. This family operated business began on the family farm in 1979, moving to a production plant in March 2002. Milk is processed into either Cheddar or Colby cheese. Most is made for farmers who then direct-market the product. To meet consumer demand, cheese can be packaged in sizes ranging from eight ounces to forty pounds. This is a modern, small production facility averaging about five tons of cheese per month. It is operated without electricity.

- Marlin Brubaker Car And Tractor Collection. Brubaker has a car in his collection to represent each decade of the 20th century. He collects "special" cars, not cars of a particular make. Probably the most special car is a 1965 Austin Princess that was owned by Queen Elizabeth. A 1918 Rumley truck (serial #139) is one of the more unusual pieces in his collection (and yes, it runs). The newest car in the collection is a 1996 Lincoln Towncar, eight-passenger limousine. His collection

of 26 Allis Chalmers tractors ranges from a Model U, which was the first tractor with rubber tires, to a D19 that he purchased new in 1962 and is still used on the farm, adding more hours to the 16,000 already on the meter.

- Ed & Debbie Zug's Farm. The Zugs came to this farm in 1973. The barn has been enlarged and remodeled since then to improve cow comfort and labor efficiency. This is an excellent example of a Lancaster County family farm.

Ed, Deb, and their son Brian farm 150 acres and milk 50 cows in the stalls.

A milk house water disposal system was installed several years ago to put the wastewater in the pasture. The most recent improvement is the installation of a stationary TMR mixer.

### Wednesday's Ladies Program

The ladies will meet at 9 a.m. and give out door prizes. They will then board the busses to travel to Omar and Sylvia Peterseim's Quilt Shop in Bird-in-Hand to tour their operation. They will explain the history of the many different styles of quilts. They have beautiful quilts done in various styles and colors.

Lunch will be at The Kling House in the Kitchen Kettle Vil-



lage. After lunch, tour members can shop at Kitchen Kettle Village and the many other fine shops in Intercourse. The tour group will return to Willow Valley about 4:30 p.m.

### Thursday's Morning Tours

- Case New Holland. This plant traces its beginnings to 1895, when machinist and inventor Abe Zimmerman founded a two-man machinery repair shop. The shop began producing corn mills. In 1903, the company was incorporated as the New Holland Company. Following the Great Depression, the company began producing the New Holland baler, which was the first commercially successful, automatic pick-up self-tie baler.

- Kemp's Foods. A division of Crowley Foods, Kemp's modern plant manufactures ice cream under the Green's and Hagan labels. They also produce novelty ice cream items, including sandwiches, nutty buddies, bullet pops, sundae cups, and various assorted stick pops. They continue to package milk under the PenSupreme label.

- Mascot Mill. The earliest mill at this site was built in the 1700s, and milling was continuously carried on at this location until 1977. Today the Ressler Mill Foundation operates the mill. Water-powered turbines provide power for the mill, which is a fully operable roller mill. If all goes well, they will be grinding corn meal in February.

## PYFA Winter Conference Program

Willow Valley Conference Center - Lancaster, PA

### Tuesday, February 3, 2004

8:30 AM--	Registration and Hospitality Room
9:00 --11:00 AM	Executive Board Meeting
9:15 --11:00 AM	Optional Tour: Lancaster Central Market
10:00 AM	Media Blitz at Weis Market
11:30-4:30 PM	Lunch and Tours in the Solanco Area Oak Shade Cheese Plant Brubaker's Tractor and Car Collection Zug's Dairy Farm
4:30PM--	Visit exhibits (more than 25)
5:00 PM	Spokesperson Contest
6:30 PM	Opening Banquet Guest Speaker: Dennis Wolff, PA Secretary of Agriculture Entertainment: Jim Powl "Humor in the Ministry"
9:00 PM	Ice Cream Social

### Wednesday, February 4, 2004

7:00 -9:00 AM	Breakfast on your own
7:00-8:30 AM	Executive Breakfast
8:30AM --	Registration and Hospitality and visit Exhibits
8:00AM	Advisors Meeting
9:00-11:30 AM	PYFA Business Meeting
9:00 AM-4:30 PM	Ladies Program Amish Quilt Shop Lunch and Shopping at Kitchen Kettle
Noon	Luncheon
2:00-4:15 PM	Educational Seminars Corn Research Ron Hoover, Penn State Dairy Management. Vic Lutz, AgriCulver Seeds Financial and Legal Planning. Doug Tanner and Jay Clark
5:30 PM	Reception for the Award Winners
6:00 PM	PYFA Awards Banquet and Auction

### Thursday, February 5, 2004

7:00-8:00 AM	Hospitality and Registration
8:00-12:00	Tours. Case New Holland Kemp's Foods Mascot Mill
Noon	Closing Luncheon

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Hosted by Solanco Young Farmers

Willow Valley Resort & Conference Center

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
 Children \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Delegate Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

### Early Registration Paid by January 2, 2004 # Attending \$ Amount

Includes all tours and meals		
\$70.00 per person	_____	_____
\$50.00 Children 6-12	_____	_____
Free Children 5 and under	_____	_____

### Full Registration Paid by January 30, 2004

Includes all tours and meals		
\$90.00 per person	_____	_____
\$70.00 Children 6-12	_____	_____
Free Children 5 and under	_____	_____

### Optional Tour to Lancaster Central Market # Attending \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration by Day # Attending \$ Amount

Tuesday Feb 3 Lunch and tour	\$10.00	_____	_____
Children 6-12	\$ 7.00	_____	_____
Banquet	\$20.00	_____	_____
Children 6-12	\$15.00	_____	_____
Wednesday Feb 4			
Lunch	\$20.00	_____	_____
Children 6-12	\$15.00	_____	_____
Ladies Tour and Lunch	\$20.00	_____	_____
Children 6-12	\$15.00	_____	_____
Banquet	\$25.00	_____	_____
Children 6-12	\$20.00	_____	_____
Thursday Feb 5			
Tour & Lunch	\$20.00	_____	_____
Children 6-12	\$15.00	_____	_____

Total \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail and make checks payable to: Solanco Young Farmers

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Make hotel reservations directly with Willow Valley by Jan 2, 2004 Please mention PYFA  
 See attached Willow Valley registration form