

Happy
Valentine's
Day!



MAILBAG

February 1, 2013

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Notes from Jim

By the time you receive this, you'll have the official forecast from Punxsutawney Phil. Either way, we'll need to be ready to roll in 6 weeks. Let us know how we can assist with your spring crop needs by calling Denny (832-3458), Daren Brubaker (934-6076) or Jim (330-1965).

Crops Meetings at Mill Hill

- Thursday, February 14th-King's AgriSeeds meeting 9am - 3pm at Williamsburg Farm Show Building. In addition to the excellent staff from King's, Dr. William Curran, weed specialist from Penn State University will be presenting. RSVP by calling Mill Hill no later than February 7.
- Tuesday, February 19th-Pesticide Update meeting 7pm-9pm at Williamsburg Farm Show Building.
- This summer Mill Hill will be hosting a Cover Crop and Soil Health seminar in Williamsburg. Tentative time slot is the last week in June. The Cover Crop portion will be conducted by King's AgriSeeds and the Soil Health segment by Mark Goodson, State Conservation Agronomist. Stay tuned for more on this timely & important event.

It's Here!

We can now mix Rumensin into your custom feeds! Rumensin helps control coccidiosis in calves, helps improve rate of gain in heifers, and helps lactating cattle produce milk more efficiently. Call Sarrah at Mill Hill 832-3458 for more information and to have her formulate your calf, heifer, dry cow and lactating cow rations with Rumensin. Remember; please do not allow

horses to have access to feeds containing Rumensin.

WANTED!

Are you or do you know a young lady between the ages of 16 and 24 who is single, never married and childless; a resident of Blair County, who is involved with the dairy industry, or has a parent who is? Would you like to be the next Dairy Princess? Then the Blair County Dairy Promotion would like to hear from you! Call Jean Sollenberger at 793-4446 by March 8th!

Dairy Recipe

From Katherine Orczeck, 2012-13 Blair County Alternate Dairy Princess

It is nice to see the snow, but I am happy when it melts and we see the green grass again. We have started to receive seed catalogs already and will soon be starting to think of starting our gardens or maybe starting some plants inside. It is still cold enough to enjoy a nice bowl of soup especially when it has ingredients like milk and cheese to give you the bone building calcium and other nutrients found in dairy products.

Cheddar and Blue Cheese Potato Chowder

- 1 Tablespoon BUTTER
- ½ cup chopped green pepper
- 1 cup chicken broth
- 1 ¼ cups instant potato flakes (not granules)
- 3 Tablespoons crumbled BLUE CHEESE, divided
- ¾ cup chopped onion
- 3 cups low-fat (1%) MILK
- 1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/3 cup shredded sharp CHEDDAR CHEESE, divided

In a medium saucepan, melt butter. Add onion and green pepper, cook and stir until softened, about 5 minutes. Stir in milk, chicken broth and black pepper, bring to a boil. Stir in potato flakes, cook and stir until thickened, about 1 minute. Set aside 1 Tablespoon each Cheddar and Blue cheese for later use. Stir in remaining Cheddar and Blue cheese; heat until melted, about 1 minute. Just before serving sprinkle with reserved cheese. Makes 4 ½ cup servings.

