

# Holstein Group Hosts Officials

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officials toured the Noah Kreid farm at Manheim RD3.

Following the dinner, various officials commented on Holstein farming in Pennsylvania and Lancaster County. Frey explained his farm operation which, besides Holsteins, consists primarily of corn and alfalfa to feed his cows. Frey also displayed a few of his outstanding animals.

Max Smith, Lancaster County Agricultural Agent commented on the great competition for land use, higher land prices and taxes. He said this is one of the best dairying sections in the country and the Extension Service must help farmers keep up and become specialists.

William Nichol of the Pennsylvania Holstein Association explained that Pennsylvania is the dominant Holstein state in the country.

Others present included numerous members of the Lancaster County Holstein Association who helped prepare the meal; Donald Cunnion, director of the bureau of markets, Pa Dept of Agriculture; Robert Powell, director of bureau of markets, Oklahoma Dept. of Agriculture and president of the National Association of Marketing Officials.

Local officials said the affair was highly successful and they were delighted with the opportunity to get acquainted with some of the leading state marketing officials across the country.



Miss Marilyn B. Krantz, Lancaster County Dairy Princess, and a "goody tree," an indication of the care that went into the preparation of a memorable farm feast for the national marketing group.



Kage, at the Frey farm on a one-year visit from Japan, has become a familiar figure in recent months wherever Frey cows are shown.



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Susan Frey leads one of the outstanding Fultonway cows, Fultonway Ivanhoe Rae, which has set three state records and a national record, since broken. The animal's 1,615 pounds of butterfat in 1968 is still a state record and second in the nation for an aged cow.

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Under the new program, Classifiers will have no previous knowledge of the classification score or descriptive coded information on animals subject to automatic reclassification at the time the animal is classified. For the second and subsequent classifications after an animal reaches five years of age, the previous official information on score and descriptive codes will be available for reference by the Classifier.

The most recent score and descriptive breakdown under the Association's modified reclassification procedure will be official and will be used in the preparation of all official Performance Pedigrees, in answering inquiries for Classification

information, qualification for Progressive Breeders Award, Gold Medal Dam and Gold Medal Sire recognitions and in the determination of the breed average for herds and groups of daughters of a sire.

The Association's Board of Directors agreed to continue its program of Individual or 'Special' Herd Classifications although a major change was made in the fees for this special service. At the same time, the Board liberalized its policy on the filing of applications for the classification of herds for the first time.

The revised Classification Program is designed as another forward step by the Association in making more rapid genetic progress in breeding Registered Holstein cattle.