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Mr. and Mrs. Elvin T. Harnish, Willow Street R1, accepted congratulations and a plaque from Daniel L. Martin, right, in honor of their 25 years of membership in the Inter-State Milk Producers

Cooperative. Martin, Inter-State vice-president from Manheim, made the presentation during the Inter-State District 7 annual meeting in Mount Joy on Thursday.

## Pesticide Law Calls For Spray Licenses

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Federal pesticide laws now require that every state set up some sort of licensing procedure for just about everyone who uses herbicides and insecticides, including farmers. Henry F. Nixon, director of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Plant Industry, is the man in charge of seeing that Pennsylvania meets the federal requirements by 1976.

The law has caused much concern among area farmers who feared that they would be stopped from using any of the chemical weapons they've been using in the past to battle weed and insect foes. Nixon, speaking at

the annual Lancaster County Crops and Soils Days on Tuesday at the Farm and Home Center, put at least some of those fears to rest.

"We know that we've got to abide by the federal law," Nixon told the more than 300 farmers in attendance. "We think we've developed a program that meets federal requirements, but does so with a minimum amount of disruption for the people like farmers who are now pesticide users."

The Ag Department's program calls for licensing users of restricted pesticides, but doesn't

require any license for farmers and others who use chemicals whose use is not restricted. The only requirements for restricted chemical use will be those which appear on the container labels, Nixon pointed out.

"But I would recommend to all farmers that they apply for a license to use the restricted pesticides," Nixon said. "You may run into a problem where the unrestricted chemicals aren't going to do the job you need done. Getting a license isn't going to be difficult at

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## Getting Their Farm By Bits And Pieces

"Okay," Bruce Andrien said to his then 10-year-old daughter Denise, "you can get a cow for your 4-H project. But when she has a calf and she starts giving milk, we might keep the calf, but we're for sure going to sell the cow. We are not going to start milking cows."

Today, five years later, the Andriens have 14 Registered Jersey cows and heifers, four Registered Jersey bulls and "one pink-nosed Guernsey," as Andrien puts it. The Andrien family - Bruce, his wife Loraine and their three children, Denise, 15, Bruce, Jr., 12, and 8-year-old Lorin - are now milking seven cows - with three more due to freshen - and hoping

they can find a reasonably priced farm in the near future. The Andriens have been bitten hard by the farming bug. And at 39, Bruce Andrien is trying to build a whole new way of life for himself and his family.

"I want to farm," he said when Lancaster Farming visited the family on Monday, "because it's something the whole family can do together."

Andrien is a home improvement contractor in Chester County. The family lives on a wooded 13 acres outside West Chester. Behind the house which was built when they moved there some seven years ago, Andrien has constructed a

barn and an exercise yard for the cows, two horses, a Shetland pony, and half-a-dozen Holstein-Angus steers. A short distance from the barn is a laboriously cleared hillside which serves as pasture for a purebred Hereford steer and a Hereford cow. And behind the barn is a small chicken house with about 100 dual-purpose birds.

Andrien is becoming a farmer by bits and pieces, but says he's ready now to begin a full-time dairy operation as soon as he can find a suitable farm. "We've looked all over for farms, and we check out every farm we see advertised in Lan-

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## FFA Meats Contest

Winners in the annual FFA meats judging contest were recently announced by Gus Birchler, FFA advisor at Penn Manor High School and coordinator of the event.

First place honors went to the team representing Garden Spot High School which was comprised of Mike Hartman, Lavern Martin and Lewis Good. Manheim Central's team captured second place honors and included Tim Good, Dennis Kulp and Steve Hershey.

The top five individual judges for the event were Mike Hartman, Garden Spot; Rick Hunt, Penn Manor; Dennis Kulp, Manheim Central; Clifford Martin, Ephrata and Steve Hershey, Manheim.

The judging contest was held at the Kunzler Packing Company in Lancaster with Jim Heth organizing the competition. FFA members participating were asked to identify 25 cuts of meat and judge 5 beef carcasses for yield and grade. They were also asked to judge fresh hams and ribs for quality.

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Sally Ann Garber, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Garber, Elizabethtown, models one of her award winning garments.

## Award Winning 4-H Sewing Member

Sally Ann Garber, 737 Groff Ave., Elizabethtown, has been an active 4-H member in home economics for the past four years. As a member of the Sew & Sew Sewing Club in Elizabethtown, Sally has completed many projects that have ranged from making a scarf her first year to creative work with fabrics.

The Elizabethtown Area High School junior has been in several 4-H Dress Revues on the county, district and state levels often winning top prizes for her sewing creations.

As an exhibitor at the Farm Show, Sally Ann has had two sweepstakes awards in the sewing competition. At the State Farm Show, the sewing competitors are divided into districts according to the counties they

represent. Winners are selected from the districts and those winners are then entered in the sweepstakes contest representing the best sewing creations in the state. Sally Ann has won a second in the sweepstakes for a school dress she constructed and captured first place in the Farm Show Sweepstakes category this year with her entry.

Sally Ann's award winning entry was a long-sleeved came knit dress with a contrasting imitation leopard fur vest.

Sally Ann explained that she had become interested in sewing since her mother had been in 4-H also and had sewn for some time.

Along with her sewing work in 4-H, Sally Ann has served on the dress revue committee and has attended

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full-time dairy operation in the near future.