

Walnut Lane Farm

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Douglas Layman, senior and junior awards respectively. Both 4-H'ers from Waynesboro are members of the Quincy-Washington Township 4-H Dairy Club.

Blain May, county FFA advisor, also presented the top FFA Guernsey project award to Jeffrey Ben-dict. Jeffrey is a member of the Blue Ridge FFA Chapter in Waynesboro. The award is sponsored by the Franklin County Guernsey Breeders' Club.

Carol Mummert and Dale Mummert, both of Chambersburg, received halters sponsored by the Franklin County 4-H Dairy Council for the 1979 first-year showman and fitter honors gained at the 1979 Franklin County 4-H Dairy Roundup last August.

Carol won the outstanding first-year fitter award while Dale won the outstanding first-year showman award.

During the business session the Guernsey Club elected three members to the board of directors.

Elected to a three-year term were Donald Bender, Waynesboro; Donald A. McCullough, R1 Newville; and Rodney Stuff, Mercersburg.

These new directors replace Kenneth Mummert, Kenneth Meyers, and Harold Hoffeditz whose terms expired this year.

Ginger Secrist, Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association field representative gave a State Association report.

Secrist stated the Association had a good year last year and this year looks good too.

"Sales of cattle are up.

"The average selling price is \$1077 which is a 51 percent increase over last year's average," stated Secrist.

The Association recently had its second annual Blue Halter Calf Sale and the 15 calves sold averaged \$960, \$330 better than calves sold last year.

Raymond Witmer of Willow Street, who is currently on the Middle Atlantic Guernsey Sire Committee, spoke on this new young sire selection program.

"The MAGS committee is working for you.

"Any bull approved by the committee has to be a 900 plus bull," said Witmer.

"It takes all of us to make MAGS a success stated Witmer. The breed has got to

move and we have room to go up."

The Association knows of one breeding service that no longer carries colored breed semen because economically they cannot do it, and both Witmer and Secrist urged members to use MAGS and stressed that the breed has got to make it on their own.

Seth Schnebly, National Guernsey Association Director for District #6, also spoke on the MAGS program and reported that there are four young sire testing units across the country.

In special attendance was the State Guernsey Dairy Princess Millie Linde and the Franklin County Dairy Princess Carolyn Meyers.

Both Princesses talked on the importance of production, testing, and maintenance of the dairy cow in promoting the dairy product.

Speaker for the event was Glen Stouffer, R9 Chambersburg.

Stouffer, who was involved in a three week tour of China in 1976, presented a slide show on his 1976 tour.

Officers of the Franklin County Guernsey Breeders' Club are: Gerald Mummert, president, Kenneth Meyers, vice-president, and Lehigh Knepper, secretary/treasurer.

Sam Guss to speak to goat club

LANCASTER — Sam Guss, retired Penn State veterinarian will be the speaker for the April meeting of the Dutch Country Dairy Goat Association at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 8 at the Farm and Home Center here.

Guss' topic will be What's New in Dairy Goats. In addition, there will be ample

time for a question and answer session.

In addition to his many honors in the field of veterinary science, Guss has been active in the dairy goat industry. He is the author of a book on dairy goats and has a question and answer column in the Dairy Goat Journal.

He has also been the

recipient of the Pennsylvania Dairy Goat Association award.

Clubs outside the Lancaster area who are interested in attending are invited. The Dutch Country Dairy Goat Association is open to anyone interested in dairy goats.

For more information or directions to the meeting, contact Pat Kauffman 717/284-4340 or the Lancaster Extension Office 717/394-6851.

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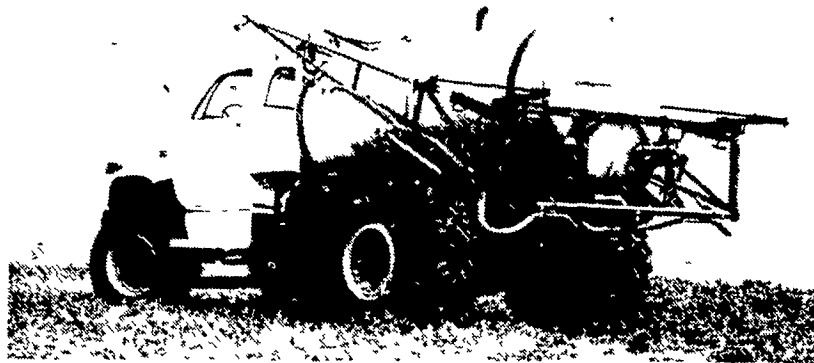
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