

# Lancaster Farming

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## Poultrymen of Year honored

**WICK ANGLESTEIN** — LANCASTER — Representatives of the broiler, egg and production family in Lancaster may night to single out three among their for putting forth a image of which the industry can be proud. An audience of 300 Pennsylvania Poultry Federation's Annual at the Host Corral, as Industrymen of Year were presented to:

Earl Gingrich, Myerstown, Dauphin County, who retired in May of Pennfield Corn's broiler breeder as Broiler Industryman of the Year.

Vernon Leininger, Lancaster County, diversified operation of 90,000 layers and pullets in addition to beef cattle and 2,200 egg industryman of year.

Paul Konhaus, Lancaster County, Cumru County, whose flock now totals 30,000

and whose operation includes self-marketing, as Turkey Industryman of the Year.

In addition, expressions of appreciation for work on behalf of the industry were given for Floyd Hicks, who is retiring as professor of poultry science at Penn State, and Jim Wolf, immediate past Chairman of the Federation's Board of Directors.

In his remarks to the group, new Chairman Clarence Mitchel outlined three major goals of the Federation during the coming year.

The first objective is to improve the Federation's scholarship program to help fill the need for trained people in the industry. A scholarship committee is scheduled to meet this summer to plan an updated program.

The second goal is improvement in membership, with concentration on the mid-sized producers. A membership committee will set up a flat dues rate for producers to make the

schedule more attractive to join.

Also, efforts will be made to strengthen the effectiveness of the Federation's organizational setup, particularly the Commodity Councils.

Heads of each of council's were introduced, including Dale M. Weaver, Broiler Council; Jim Wolf, Egg Council; and Leroy Zimmerman, Turkey Council.

Named Broiler Industryman of the Year, Gingrich was raised on the family farm in Myerstown, Lebanon County. After graduation from Penn State

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Vernon Leininger, of Denver, Lancaster County, receives plaque as Egg Industryman of the Year. Beaming with smile of approval is his wife, Allegra. Making presentation, at right, is Walter Wheelock, Chambersburg, last year's winner.

### Cooperatives honor young members

## Top dairy farmers cited

**BY SUE KAUFFMAN**  
Staff Correspondent  
HUNT VALLEY, Md. — Younger members of several Eastern milk marketing cooperatives

gathered here this week to participate in the 10th Young Cooperator Program of the Pennmarva Dairymen's Federation, Inc.

Comprised of Inter-State Milk Producers Cooperative, Maryland Cooperative Milk Producers, Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers Association, Inc. and Capitol Milk Producers, the Pennmarva two-day young cooperators program included time for individual cooperative contests, discussions, tours, educational sessions and combined awards luncheon.

All four cooperatives announced their 1980 Young Cooperators at the luncheon Thursday.

Inter-State's contest included 20 contestants. Five were selected by a panel of three judges to serve on the young cooperators consultant committee for three year terms.

Top placing couple was Robert and Susan Winner, Moorestown, New Jersey. They operate a 315 acre farm where they milk 160 Holsteins.

Second place went to Allen Z. and Linda Wehr, Mifflinburg, Pa. Third place

were Dennis and Mary Burns, Warriors Mark, Pa. Fourth place were Gerald and Debra Stoner, East Berlin, Pa. and fifth place were P. Thomas and Alice Mason, Chestertown, Maryland.

All five Inter-State winners will be attending American Institute of Cooperatives at Penn State in August and the two top placing couples will travel to Miami in November to attend the National Milk Producers Federation meetings.

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## Connie Balmer wins Lancaster Princess Pageant

**BY PAT KAUFFMAN**  
LANCASTER — Connie Balmer, a 17 year old beauty enthusiast bagged the crown Saturday night as 1980 Dairy Princess in Lancaster County. Connie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. Balmer, Millway and Lititz, was selected by a panel of judges to receive the Miss Congeniality award during ceremonies at the Lancaster Home Center.

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Brenneman, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Brenneman, Mount Joy.

The selection of the new Dairy Princess capped an evening of dining and entertainment for nearly 400 people to the theme of Winter Dairyland. Red lanterns adorned the tables and the stage was trimmed in snow and greenery with a large sleigh serving as the throne.

The decorating committee consisting of Mim Kauffman, Verna Hostetter and Barbara Brubaker outdid itself with a theme that delighted the crowd.

Peggy Kurtz Schnupp

added polish and melody to the theme singing winter and show tunes. And Grover Goucker, Jr. from the Dale

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## Blue mold in fields; plow-under possible

**LANCASTER COUNTY** — There's blue mold in Lancaster County tobacco fields and some crops may need to be plowed under.

"We've found localized field infections in several sections of Lancaster County this week," Arnold Lueck, county extension agent and agronomist said.

"In all likelihood, some of the worst fields may need to be plowed under."

The localized field infections were reported in the southern end of the county, just south of Lancaster City and in the Washington Boro area.

In addition, instances of blue mold were spotted in seed beds in the Mount Joy-Elizabethtown area. Previously, seed bed problems were found in the eastern section of the

county, including Christiana and the Leola-Leacock area.

The movement of the fungus into fields is believed due to carrying it from infected beds during transplanting. There is no indication that it is being spread from infected to healthy plants by air-borne spores.

Agent Lueck and John Yocum, of Penn State's Southeast Research Lab, Landisville, are recommending two grower practices:

Get rid of the seedbeds as soon as transplanting is completed. They should be plowed or disked under.

Field spraying is advisable, particularly for those growers who did not apply Ridomil and who already have blue mold in

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### FDA deferment requested

## New milk test debuts Tuesday

**BY SHEILA MILLER**  
LANCASTER — Milk producers, milk haulers, and manufacturers will be feeling the effects of Food and Drug Administration regulation, the Pasteurized Milk Ordinance finalized a little over a year ago.

According to G. William Fouse, chief of the Milk Regulation Division in the Pennsylvania Department of

Agriculture, the FDA ruling is supposed to be in action starting July 1.

What the new rule calls for is a more sensitive antibiotic test for "the portion of the milk supply that is shipped interstate," said Fouse.

"Co-mingled raw milk and all pasteurized milk or milk products will be tested by one of two methods—Bacillus stearothermophilus disc assay method or Sar-

cina lutea cylinder plate method. This test replaces the Bacillus subtilis test which has been used in Pennsylvania for quite a few years," he explained.

Fouse noted the new testing methods are more sensitive and they will detect lower level of antibiotics, particularly penicillin.

As far as who will be affected by this new FDA testing regulation, Fouse

said that all farms that ship their milk to interstate plants, and all plants with an interstate rating have to comply. "Eighty percent of the milk produced in Pennsylvania will fall under the new ruling," he said.

Fouse pointed out the more sensitive test will be able to pick up the presence of small amounts of penicillin in milk. "If

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