

Directors elected at annual meeting

Holmes Farms tops Adams County DHIA

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HEIDLEBSBERG — Bud Holmes of the Noel & Holmes Farms, R1 Hanover, accepted the award for top herd at Adams County's 52nd Annual DHIA dinner meeting.

The Noel & Holmes herd with more than 60 registered Holsteins on test averaged 19,246 pounds of milk and 753 pounds of butterfat.

Although not distinguished by receiving a trophy, Leroy Deputy's Holstein herd from R1 East Berlin was high in milk production. The averages are 109 cows on test, 20,518 pounds milk, and 653 pounds fat.

Piney Lane Guernseys owned by Mervin Myers, R1 Littlestown, placed second highest. Over fifty-five cows tested with averages of 14,088 pounds milk and 705 pounds fat.

Third place herd was Yellow-Buttercup Farm owned by Larry Mummert, R2 East Berlin. This herd averaged more than 108 registered Holsteins with 17,923 pounds milk and 701 pounds fat.

Richard Mills, R5 Gettysburg, was honored for having the herd with the greatest increase in butterfat production during the year. The increase was 98 pounds over the herd's average of fat produced during 1979.

Carol, a registered Holstein, owned by Stoner Brothers Dairy, R2 East Berlin, won top honors by having the highest lifetime record for both milk and fat.

During 14 lactations, "Carol" produced 225,815 pounds milk and 9574 pounds fat.

Leroy Deputy, R1 East Berlin, is the owner of "Amanda," top milk producer for the year. Her winning record is 30,516 pounds milk with 969 pounds fat.

Fifty-four herds were tested this year. Fourteen achieved production in the category of 600 to 700 pounds butterfat.

They are: El Rho Farm, R1 Abbottstown, 17,267 milk, 666 fat; Brown Valley Farm,

R3 Littlestown, 17,273 milk, 663 fat; Stoner Brothers Dairy, R2 East Berlin, 17,646 milk, 658 fat; Weim Sharr Farms, R2 New Oxford, 18,142 milk, 654 fat; Leroy Deputy, R1 East Berlin, 20,518 milk, 653 fat; Roy A. Weaner, R6 Gettysburg, 16,268 milk, 649 fat.

Kling Ayr Farms, R2 New Oxford, 16,995 milk, 646 fat; Buttonwood Farms, R2 York Springs, 17,202 milk, 641 fat; James E. Miller, R4 New Oxford, 12,514 milk, 633 fat; William Myers, R3 Littlestown, 17,094 milk, 633 fat; Ray Dutterer, R2 Littlestown, 16,175 milk, 632 fat; Richard K. Herr, R5 Gettysburg, 17,597 milk, 617 fat; Eugene Witter, R1 Gardeners, 15,748 milk, 611 fat; Penn Gate Farm, R2 Littlestown, 17,300 milk, 602 fat, rounded out the list.

Ribbons and certificates were awarded to the herd owners who achieved 600 or more pounds butterfat. The awards were donated by the Pennsylvania Dairymen's Association.

Three directors were elected to the DHIA board. The new members are Dan Leer, R1 York Springs; Vince Lobaugh, R1 Aspers; Bob Meyers, R2 Biglerville.

The group of over 300 heard presentations from several speakers. Among the various comments made, Ann Murren, Adams County Dairy Princess, thanked the dairymen for producing such high quality products; Tim Brown, State DHIA Director, shared with the group the up-coming physical changes that Penn State's testing lab will undergo and how it will affect them, Don Messinger, DHIA Supervisor, commented on how well the DHIA program in Adams County is utilized and without any formal promotion.

Tom Piper, extension county agent, offered a slide presentation featuring recent dairy events and farm improvement practices.

Entertainment was provided by Wayne Rodgers, Sue Wenk, and Brenda Showers.



Award winners at the Adams County DHIA Meeting include seated from left, Bud Holmes for Noel & Holmes Farms, high herd; Dave Myers for Piney Lane Guernseys, second high herd; Larry Mummert of Yellow-Buttercup Farm, third place

herd. Standing are Leroy Deputy, high cow in milk; Sam Stoner of Stoner Brothers Dairy, high lifetime record cow in milk and fat; Richard Mills, greatest increase in fat.



Adams County DHIA directors include, seated from left, Jerry Stoner, Larry Wilkerson, Marcia Brown, Ray Dutterer. Standing are Vince Lobaugh,

Tim Brown, Dan Leer, Bob Meyers, Charles Klinger.



Bud Holmes receives an award from Leroy Deputy for the Noel & Holmes Farms placing as the top DHIA herd in Adams County.



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