

## Master Farmers receive awards



Mr. and Mrs. Galen Crouse, center, received their official Master Farmer Plaque Tuesday afternoon at ceremonies in Camp Hill. Making the presentation to the Lancaster County couple is Lynn Tilton, Pennsylvania Farmer, while County Agent Glenn Shirk looks on.



Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Dotterer, Clinton County, were honored as Master Farmers Tuesday in ceremonies at Camp Hill. Making the presentation is Lynn Tilton, Pennsylvania Farmer, while extension agent Richard Plotts looks on.



Mr. and Mrs. E. Wayne Beshore, center, were honored as York County's latest Master Farmers at a dinner Tuesday. Making the presentation is Lynn Tilton, Pennsylvania Farmer, while County Agent John York smiles his approval.



Blain View Farms, operated by Mary E. Rice, her son Nevin and his wife, was honored as Master Farmer for 1980. Presenting the award is Lynn Tilton, Pennsylvania Farmer. Also involved in the presentation is Roy F. Snyder, retired Perry County Agent.

### At annual meeting

# Sheep, wool growers vote to table pool plans

**FARM SHOW** — Pennsylvania's Sheep and Wool Growers' Association, following a lengthy discussion, sent their proposed new by-laws back to committee for further study and revision.

They then passed a resolution affirming their support of the Ovine Medicine Proposal for The University of Pennsylvania's School of Veterinary Medicine at their annual Farm Show meeting, Sunday.

The discussion on the by-laws touched only on Article III which deals with memberships and dues. Heretofore any person who sold wool through one of the Cooperative Wool Pools was automatically a member of the wool growers' statewide organization.

The Wool Pools paid an assessment of 40 cents per hundred pounds of wool and 12 cents per cwt of lambs marketed for affiliation in the state group.

Under the proposed new by-laws a dues structure for memberships would be established with memberships being purchased through the wool pools, the state breed associations or directly from the state organization. Dues purchased from wool pools or county associations would be

one dollar, from breed organizations two dollars and directly from the state group five dollars.

No one from the by-laws committee was present at the meeting, but Clair Engle, extension sheep specialist from Penn state, said the committee had felt it desirable to have the additional revenue to support the activities of the statewide organization.

Wool pools would still be required to pay on a per pound basis for lambs and wool marketed.

On a motion from Clyde Brubaker, Lancaster County, further discussion of the by-laws was tabled until the April meeting on April 20 at Penn state.

Members felt there was a need to find a formula for equitable representation from county associations and regional marketing groups.

Whether representation should be on a volume of commodities marketed or on number of members needs to be studied. Formerly the purpose of the statewide organization was to facilitate marketing but today many producers feel it should assume a strong promotional role.

Copies of the old by-laws and the new proposals will be mailed to all county and

regional groups for discussion. Comments and suggestions for change and revision should be mailed to the by-laws committee before April 1st.

In a unanimous motion, the members passed a resolution affirming their support of the efforts to have an ovine specialist appointed to the faculty of the University of Pennsylvania's Veterinary School. Members stressed that they want the ovine specialist to have an active teaching role and research that would be part of the program should be applicable to the sheep industry.

Concerns about the Farm Show also dominated the early part of the meeting. While many of the sheep exhibitors' complaints of previous years have been alleviated by changes this year, dissatisfaction still prevails.

Members expressed gratitude to the Farm Show Commission for the improvement in the judging schedule no longer necessitating the simultaneous showing of sheep and hogs in the Small Arena. They also were appreciative of the removal of equipment exhibits from the sheep and hog barn and the

simplification of health forms.

Complaints centered around the crowding in the sheep area with inadequate pen and storage space for tack and feed.

Having a split show with the open show for half the week and the junior show later and permitting animals to depart and arrive in the middle of the week was suggested as one solution. Having different breeds for the early and latter part of the week was another suggestion.

Some members felt that the Farm Show should be only a junior show and have a major open competition elsewhere at a different time of the year, perhaps during Ag Progress Days in the summer.

In the current show, weight limits on wethers and carcass lambs have been raised, but many felt that weight limits should be entirely eliminated. A motion was passed recommending that the weight limits be taken off the carcass class.

Four judges were nominated for next year's show.

The committee to study wool marketing did not have a report. Engle invited all to attend a meeting on January 21 at the Berks County Farm

Center to discuss wool marketing. George Allen of VPI will be present to talk about marketing wool in Virginia.

The spring meeting of the Pennsylvania Sheep and Wool Growers will be held at State College on April 20 and the Wool Sale will take place on April 21.

## Carino Nurseries sweep Christmas tree show

**FARM SHOW** — Carino Nurseries of Indiana, Indiana County, captured six first places in Christmas tree judging competition at the 65th Farm Show.

Carino Nurseries' entries won in the following categories: Scotch pine, Colorado blue spruce, Norway spruce, white spruce, Austrian pine and concolor.

Leiden's Nursery of Patton, Cambria County, won a first place with his Douglas fir entry. The first place white pine was exhibited by Omlor's Tree Farm of R4, Pottsville, Schuylkill County.

Gerald Barker of J B Tree Farm, Williamsburg, Blair County, won a first place with his Douglas fir entry.

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- CHRISTMAS TREE AWARD LIST 1981**
- Scotch Pine**  
 1 Carino Nurseries, Indiana 2 J B Tree Farm, Williamsburg 3 Springs Hill Christmas Tree Farm, Dalton 4 Berks Nursery, Spring Hill 5 Leiden's Nursery, Patton
- Douglas Fir**  
 1 J B Tree Farm 2 Berkey Nursery 3 Gay Fad Nursery, Mohnton 4 Carino Nurseries 5 Maple Hill Farm, Wellboro
- Colorado Blue Spruce**  
 1 Carino Nurseries 2 Leiden's Nursery 3 Omlor's Tree Farm, Pottsville 4 Meyers Nursery, Creekside 5 Springs Hill Christmas Tree Farm, Dalton
- Spruce**  
**(a) Norway**  
 1 Carino Nurseries 2 Spring Hill Christmas Tree Farm 3 Leiden's Nursery 4 Proctor Wetherill, Chester Springs
- (b) White and Black Spruce**  
 1 Carino Nurseries 2 Leiden's Nursery 3 Berkey Nursery, Maple Hill Farm 4 Springs Hill Christmas Tree Farm
- (c) Other**  
 1 Leiden's Nursery 2 Carino Nurseries 3 Myers Nursery
- Pine**  
**(a) Austrian and Red**  
 1 Carino Nurseries 2 Berks Nursery 3 Leiden's Nursery
- (b) White**  
 1 Omlor's Tree Farm 2 Leiden's Nursery 3 Spring Hill Christmas Tree Farm 4 Berkey Nursery 5 Carino Nurseries
- Fir**  
**(a) Balsam and Fraser**  
 1 Leiden's Nursery 2 Berkey Nursery 3 Maple Hill Farm 4 Spring Hill Christmas Tree Farm 5 Carino Nurseries
- (b) Concolor and Other**  
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