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## Officers elected

### Pa. YF honors top members

STATE COLLEGE — Pennsylvania Young Farmers honored outstanding members from chapters throughout the Commonwealth and elected officers at their annual winter convention in State College on Wednesday and Thursday.

Among the top award winners were the Outstanding Young Farmers in the under and over 30-year-old categories, who were picked from candidates representing the various regions of the statewide Young Farmer organization.

Winners in the Under 30 category were Glen and Barbara Carper, of the West Snyder Chapter. The Carpers farm a 240-acre dairy farm, with 53 Holstein milkers and an equal number of replacement stock. They are active in the Snyder County Farmers Assn., Conservation District and Holstein Assn.

Winners in the Over 30 category were Richard and Betty Weller, of the Selinsgrove Area Chapter. The Wellers also operate a dairy farm of 275 acres, with an additional 130 rented. They have 44 Holsteins and 35 replacements. They are active in Dairy-Lea, Farmers Assn. and Weller serves as a Washington Township supervisor.

Other awards winners: Robert and Betty Weaver, Selinsgrove Area Chapter — Outstanding Community Service. Blue Mountain Chapter — Outstanding YF Chapter in the state. Fred Dillner, Shippensburg Area Chapter, Outstanding YF Advisor. Spokesperson for Agriculture — Dale Lehman, Chambersburg.

Honorary Young Farmer — Cecil Snyder, retired vo-ag teacher.

Convention Theme Award — Doreen Rice, Chambersburg.

Largest Convention Registration — Shippensburg Chapter.

Largest Increase in Membership — Penn Manor Chapter.

Largest Membership — Wellsboro Chapter, first; Dover, second; and Ephrata, third.

In the election of officers, two members of the Ephrata Area Chapter, Lancaster County, were named to statewide posts.

Tom Zartman, R1 Ephrata, former regional vice president and chapter president, was named president-elect. He will assume the president's post at next year's winter convention.

Vernon Leininger, R2 Denver, also a past Ephrata chapter president, was named state secretary.

Jay Grove, Shippensburg, was reelected treasurer; and Larry Hay, of Berlin, was named state PR director.

Among regional vice presidents elected were Richard Hamblin, Karl Herr, Daniel Boop, Roger Block and Ronald O'Neil. Continuing as co-editors of the state magazine are Donald Mooney and Terry Martin Sr.

Martin stepped down as president of the Pa. YF at the convention and succeeding him for 1983 was LeRoy Geesaman, of R1 Fredericksburg.

A new chapter in the Commonwealth — the State College Little Lions Young Farmers — was

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## Lan. Extension celebrates 68th year



The Lancaster County Extension Service held their 68th annual services meeting Thursday at the Farm and Home Center to present year-end reports and elect directors. Named were, from left: Delores Harnish, R1 Willow Street; Allen K. Risser, R1 Leola; Thelma Hess, R1 Strasburg; Kenneth Rutt, R1 Quarryville; and Lilli Ann Kopp, R3 Mt. Joy. Find complete coverage of the Extension banquet on page A32.

## Hog health, stress, welfare

### highlight York swine meeting

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BAIR — Storm-slickened roads didn't deter about thirty York County pork producers from taking part in an update on the latest hog-raising techniques presented at the swine meeting held Monday at the 4-H Center.

Subjects on the program lineup ranged from hog vaccinating to responses to animal welfarists, with plenty of management tips

layered in between by Penn State's Extension specialists. A panel discussion by county pork producers included Barry Morton, Dan Buttorff and Larry Seitz, who shared experiences and personal tips on swine management.

A regular vaccination program can be of significant economic benefit to a hog operation, according to Extension veterinarian Dr. Larry Hutchinson. While a full spectrum of vaccines are available

for numerous hog diseases, they are of little value unless used in a comprehensive, planned program.

Hutchinson outlined several pointers on the effective use of vaccines, topped off with the recommendation to set up and review twice yearly the vaccinating schedule with the producer's veterinarian.

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## Dairylea, Agri-Mark contract skims off milk surplus

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Last Thursday Clyde E. Rutherford, president of the 3,300-member Dairylea Cooperative, announced

that Dairylea and Agri-Mark, the largest cooperative in New England (4,000 members), have just completed a contract that will

provide "substantial financial benefits" for both organizations but will, at the same time, remove up to a million pounds a day of surplus milk processing capacity from the New York-New Jersey milkshed.

The contract provides for Agri-Mark to lease, for a minimum of 14 months, 500,000 pounds a day of processing capacity at the Dairylea butter-powder plant in Oneida. Dairylea, which manufacturers most of its powder at its nearby Vernon plant, will retain 300,000 pounds of daily capacity for its own use. The plant, operating at maximum load for brief periods, can handle up to a million pounds of milk a day for conversion into butter and non-fat dry milk powder.

"The arrangement we have just concluded will keep our Oneida plant operating pretty close to capacity much of the year," said Rutherford. "It will provide Agri-

Mark with a home for a large quantity of milk for which it does not presently have sufficient plant capacity. It will take Oneida from a sizable negative position in our profit: loss ration to a modest profit."

The potential crisis, said the Dairylea president, lies in the fact that standby manufacturing capacity for handling distress surplus milk supplies has been reduced by the Dairylea-Agri-Mark arrangement.

"Milk production in the Northeast was up by one billion pounds above the 1960 level at the end of 1982," said Rutherford. "The rate of increase appears to be accelerating. October 1982 was 3.9 percent above the same month a year previous. December 1982 was up 4.1 percent over 1981. Meanwhile fluid sales declined 3.1 percent during the 1981-82 period. The net effect is an increased load on Northeastern states'

manufacturing facilities of 1.3 billion more pounds of milk than we had in 1960.

"What we are saying is that as we come into the spring flush when production is at its peak, our industry cannot possibly have enough manufacturing plant capacity in this region to handle all of the surplus. Even allowing for the fact that a couple of large volume Italian cheese plants may be coming into production soon, they will not be able to make up the short fall in plant capacity. Actually, pizza cheese is generally sold within a month of its manufacture and spring is not a peak sales time for pizza cheese."

Total milk production in the federal milk marketing areas covered by the New York-New Jersey, New England and Middle Atlantic orders, plus the N.Y. State Orders of Buffalo and Rochester, was 23,474,000,000 pounds in 1982,

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## Pa. Pork Producers ready for 5th annual Congress

HARRISBURG — With four successful years entered into its journals, the Pa. Pork Producers Council is eagerly gearing up for their fifth annual Keystone Pork Congress this Thursday. As with past years, the Congress will be held at the Penn Harris Motor Inn, here, on Feb. 17, beginning at 8 a.m. This year's highlights will include a hog market outlook, a pork value task force campaign, an overview of increased demand for pork products and a seminar designed to help you, the pork producer, produce top quality hogs. The Porkettes will also be attending their own program, featuring Joan Liesau from the Pa. Livestock and Livestock Products Marketing Program. That evening, both groups will come together for the annual Congress banquet.

So join us at this year's Pork Congress and visit the exhibits of many advertisers who each week bring you their latest products in the pages of Lancaster Farming. Find full coverage of the program in next week's issue.