

Pennsylvania's newly-crowned alfalfa

BY TRISH WILLIAMS

ANNVILLE — Lebanon County dairyman Donald Hoffer can be characterized by such words as, easygoing, jovial and conciliatory, that is unless one is talking about his attitude toward growing alfalfa, then words like uncompromising, persistent and stickler would be more appropriate.

Hoffer's strict attention to details when it comes to growing alfalfa not only produced an

abundant crop for him this year, it also yielded him the title of Grand Champion Alfalfa Grower for Pennsylvania.

Hoffer was crowned the Grand Champion Alfalfa Grower November 19th at the Forage and Seed Conference held at Penn State. But it was year-round efforts by the husband-wife team of Don and Sherry Hoffer that made the winning possible.

Sher-Don Farms immediately strikes one with a definite sense of

order. Things are clean and neat, nothing seems to be out of place. One could spend all day just trying to find something askew, a baler twine tossed casually about, a misplaced tool. Even the farm dog, Taffey, seems to know just where to sit to lend living credence to the old adage "a place for everything, and everything in its place."

It was just over 17 years ago when the Hoffers began dairying on a rented farm. Looking back they recall, it was a time that was

difficult for dairymen, too. They received little positive encouragement for getting started,

particularly from farm lenders. Their determination then and now attributes to their success.

Champion Alfalfa Grower



Honored as the 1983 Champion Alfalfa Grower, Donald Hoffer stands amidst the 6000 bales of alfalfa hay he put up this summer.

Sher-Don Farms

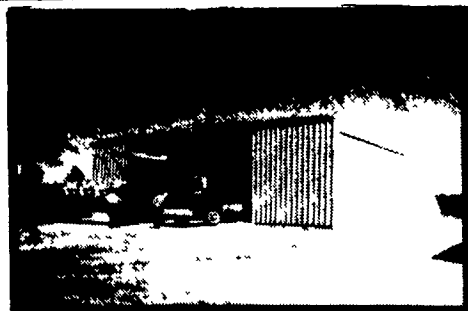


Sher-Don Farm near Anville, home of Don, Sherry, Kent and Kristen Hoffer.

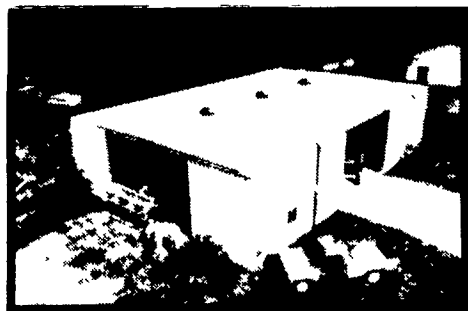


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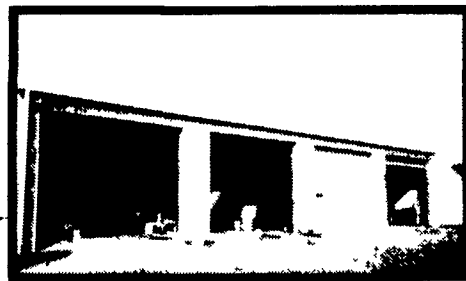


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