

Dairy bowl teams compete at awards breakfast

BY TRISH WILLIAMS

ALTOONA — Pennsylvania Holstein Association's retiring President, Marion Alsdorf was presented with a symbolic key to the city of Altoona, a railroad spike, by Mayor David L. Janetta, Thursday morning at the awards banquet.

Janetta told Alsdorf and attending Holstein breeders that he felt fortunate that PHA had selected Altoona as this year's convention city, and welcomed the convention to return in 1989 to the city.

Highlighting the awards banquet

was the exciting final round of the dairy bowl senior division. In competition the day earlier two teams emerged from a field of 10 as the top contenders. The two teams who proved themselves most knowledgeable were from York and Perry County. York team members were Leslie King, Patricia Bupp, Peggy Klinedinst and David Krone. Perry County team members were Joe and Daniel Albright, Irene Benner and Kim Kriebel.

Before a large audience the team members competed in two phases of competition. The first phase

required each team member to answer three questions. In the second phase, questions were tossed out for the first person to ring a buzzer to answer. That takes quick thinking and a cool head.

The Perry County team took a slight lead in phase one of the competition, providing the correct answer to a question that stumped many of the people in the audience. But in phase two repeated rapid responses by Kim Kriebel took the Perry County team on to an overwhelming victory. The Perry County team will go on to national competition in Louisville, Ky.

Chris Gitt, 1982 Distinguished Junior Member, introduced this year's finalist for the title of DJM. In the junior division they were, Patricia Bupp, Seven Valleys; Thomas Eckstine, Mercersburg; Fred Hoch, Shippensburg; Beverly Meyers, Chambersburg; and Jennifer Weimer, New Oxford.

DJM finalists in the senior division were, June Bechtel, Curryville; John Burket, East Freedom; Barbara Green, Warriors Mark; Sandra Houser, Spring Mills; William Leshner, Bernville; Bradley Ludwick, Warren Co.; Constance Ohlinger, Mohrsville; and Scott Troutman, Meyerstown.

Douglas Hershey, director of membership services presented the 1984 Membership Awards to individuals who solicited more than five new members in the last year. Recipients were, Norman

Sollenbeger, Roy M. Cordell, Robert G. Flickinger, Wendell J. Smith, William Marteeny, Donald Ackerman, Roger Latuch and Dividend Holsteins.

The prestigious and much sought after Progressive Breeder Registry Awards were presented by Clarence Stauffer and Tom Dum, HFA consultants to the follow breeders, Keystone Farm, Easton; Richard H. and Marilyn B. Packard, Troy; Jefferson D. Yoder, Elverson; Marcove Farm, Martinsburg; John M. Umble and

Sons, Atglen; Jay H. and Mary Houser, Spring Mills; Delaware Valley College, Doylestown; E. Wayne and Jed Beshore, New Cumberland; Robert S. Junge, New Tripoli; J. Ivan Smoker and Sons, Genesee; Robert H. Kauffman, Elizabethtown; Keith E. Decker, Knox; Thomas Dum, Jr. and Thomas Dum, III, Landisburg; Joseph Hartle, Jr., Bellefonte; Wayne LaMont, Troy; and Willowland, Atglen.

Other awards presented at the banquet were sales awards and All Pennsylvania Awards.

Women's program provides educational theme

BY LAURA ENGLAND

ALTOONA — Dealing with social problems of growing old and learning to administer first aid to unexpected farm accident victims highlighted the Ladies Day Program of the Pa. Holstein Convention.

Planned with an educational theme, the program was held at the Eldolyn Terrace in Altoona, where the women were greeted with an array of handmade crafts items for sale. After having a chance to talk to the craftsmen and learn their skills, the women sat down to a lunch of dairy dishes and an afternoon of learning about aging and farm accidents.

First on the agenda was Dan Lago of the Penn State Gerontology Center who addressed the topic of "Social Relationships with Aging." These social relationships are important, Lago said, and a greater risk of illness or death exists if a person has a poor friendship or social network.

Lago said the highest risk group of women are those divorced or widowed. This group is a higher risk, he said, because they are under stress and are faced with coping with their problems. People in this group also die at much higher rates than other women of their age groups.

"The loss of an intimate relationship makes widowship difficult," he said "If the person is missing a network of friends or intimate relatives, they are likely to have more problems."

Lago said some people, in general, are voluntary social isolates who are "plain old not seeing people." Again, this group faces a higher risk and are often

dissatisfied with personal contacts and are lonely. He added, though, that people can feel lonely even while part of a crowd.

Social relationships are moving up in the list of concerns of the aging, Lago said. Most American families, he said, are doing a good job of taking care of older relatives but run into problems when trying to provide 24-hour constant companionship. Lago stressed that families don't need to do everything and suggested that older relatives volunteer time in organizations and other pastimes.

Providing training on first aid treatment for farm accident victims was Dr. Thomas Bem, emergency physician of Centre Community Hospital in State College. Dr. Bem said that farming is the number one high risk occupation in the United States and needs special attention to farm-related accidents.

Farming is a high risk, he said, because farmers work alone and for long hours where fatigue can set in. Farmers are also less apt to wear safety gear, he added.

Dr. Bem provided information on the ABC's of any injury and explained how to treat accident victims. The ABC's are to make sure the airway is cleared, that breathing is possible and that circulation is in order.

The special feature of the women's program was a fashion show sponsored by the Blair County Historical Society. Titled "Bosom Buddies to Bustle" the show featured fashions up to the 1890's. The fashions were recreations of original styles worn during that time.

Jamie Frey

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and Karl, 12, joined as partners to help with the planting and harvesting chores.

Today, Jamie's greenhouse operation consists of four greenhouses. Crops grown are pachysandra, myrtle, ivy and winter creeper. She sells her crops by flats at a wholesale price of \$6.50 a flat and a retail price of \$8.50 a flat.

Jamie currently has about 100 customers including landscapers and individual buyers. Last year she grossed \$13,000 in sales.

Although her greenhouse business has been the driving force behind her FFA involvement, Jamie has participated in area contests, has had leadership responsibilities and has received several awards.

Jamie has received the Star

Greenhand Award, the Star Chapter Farmer Award and the Lancaster County Star Farmer Award - all which she said lead to her Star Agribusiness Award. She has served as chapter sentinel, secretary and president and county secretary.

In addition to these, Jamie has participated in parliamentary procedures and public speaking contests and has won awards for her project book records.

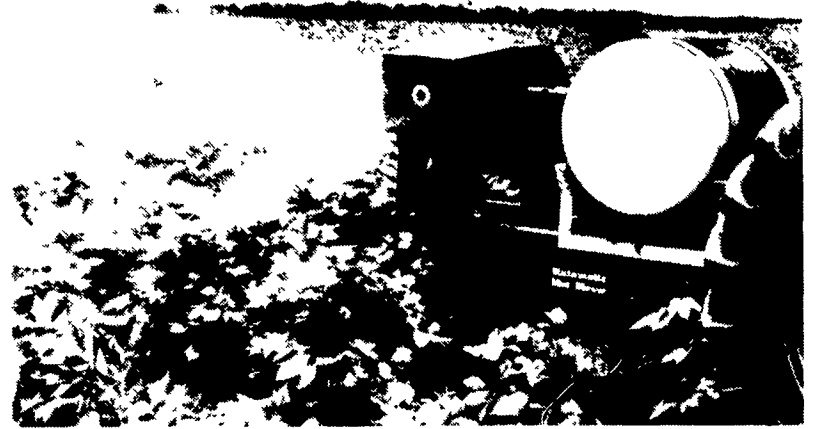
Jamie plans to continue her greenhouse business after graduation this spring. After a year, she may attend college to major in horticulture or business.

But whatever she decides to do, Jamie said she has learned much from her greenhouse business and has learned skills she can apply in other areas. The profits come in handy, too, and Jamie will carry fond memories of a trip to Europe that she financed through her greenhouse sales.



Perry County Senior Dairy Bowl team won state competition and will represent the Pennsylvania Holstein Association at the national contest in St. Louis in June. From left are, Joe Albright, Kim Kriebel, captain; coach Jane Benner, Daniel Albright, Irene Benner. Roy Brennehan presented the team awards from Agway.

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