

# Maryland Shorthorn Assoc. elects officers

# Schuylkill beekeepers to meet

SCHUYLKILL HAVEN — Beekeepers and individuals interested in apiculture are invited to a program sponsored by the Schuylkill County Cooperative Extension Service and the Schuylkill County Beekeepers Association. A hands-on workshop will be conducted at Howard Mattern's, Helfensten, at 6 p.m. on Tuesday.

The assembling of new bee hives, frames and beeswax foundation along with the opening of a bee hive to observe the working of a colony will be performed by Howard Mattern.

For additional information contact George P. Perry, Jr., County Agent, Horticulture, Schuylkill County Extension Service, P.O. Box 250, Schuylkill Haven or telephone (717) 385-3431.

FREDERICK, Md. — Election of officers highlighted the annual dinner meeting of the Maryland Shorthorn Association on April 28, at Watson's Family Restaurant in Frederick, Md.

Election results were as follows: president - Wayne Coffey, Owings Mills; vice president - George W. Bowman, West Friendship; secretary-treasurer - Wayne C. Neely, Frederick; directors - Raymond D. Ediger, Frederick, and Susan Eyer, also of Frederick.

Continuing as directors are H.F. Eyer, Myersville; T. Courtenay Jenkins, Jr., Owings Mills; Leroy Harper, Gaithersburg; Henry L. Dodrer, Jr., New Windsor.

About 75 people, including members from Pennsylvania and

Virginia, attended the meeting that featured Dr. Roger E. Hunsley, executive secretary-treasurer of the American Shorthorn Association, as guest speaker.

Activities included a review of the Shorthorn Calf Sale last October, and the Shorthorn Family Picnic in July of last year. Trophies were presented to the exhibitors of the champion Shorthorn steer and the champion Shorthorn heifer in the junior divisions at the Eastern National Livestock Show, the Maryland State Fair, and eight local fairs and shows.

This year's Shorthorn Calf Sale was announced with the date set for October 13, in Frederick.

The Maryland Junior Shorthorn

Association also met on the same day and elected the following officers: president - David Dell, Finksburg; vice-president - Richard Hodiak, Woodbine; secretary-treasurer - Carol

Hodiak, Woodbine; reporter - Susan Dodrer, New Windsor; directors - Steve Dodrer, New Windsor, David Bowman, West Friendship, and Kristina Harper, Gaithersburg.

## LCI pushes for national hog ID system

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Interest in a uniform, national hog identification system was evidenced during this year's annual meeting of the Minnesota-based Livestock Conservation Institute.

Well over 100 industry leaders turned out during the afternoon and evening prior to the annual meeting for a workshop on the subject. Representatives of each segment of the industry presented views on the mechanics of identification, who should do it, and how it would be used.

The workshop defined these attributes of such an identification system:

- (1) national in scope;
- (2) permanent;
- (3) involve a national numbering system;
- (4) minimum of herd identification, with individual animal ID optional;
- (5) application at the farm;
- (6) methods may vary as long as these qualifications are met;
- (7) computerized, electronic system ultimate goal.

Uses for such a system would include: animal health, herd management, theft prevention, residue detection and education, enhance pride in product, genetic improvement, disease eradication.

The identification committee,

meeting jointly with the identification committee of USAHA, approved a resolution calling on both organizations to continue to pursue a national, uniform means to identify swine to farm of origin that would be compatible with a national regulatory program.

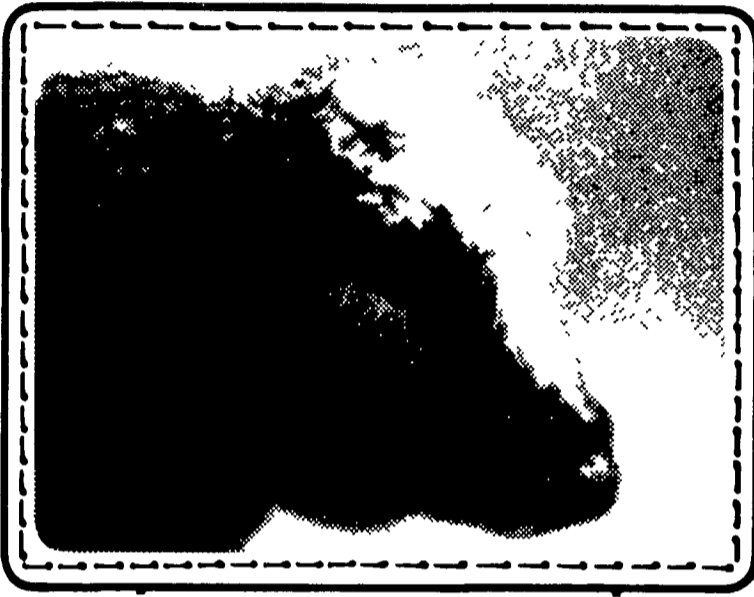
The LCI committee urged that all segments of the industry be encouraged to inform members at home of their support for identification and to work toward a uniform policy for all organizations.

## Select Sires gets N.J. bull

PLAIN CITY, Oh. — Select Sires has acquired a young Holstein bull from Marlu Farm of Lincroft, N.J. Based on his pedigree, Marlu Ransom-ET has been chosen as one of 130 Holstein bulls from throughout the United States to enter Select Sires' Program for Genetic Advancement (PGA) sire sampling system in 1984.

The dam of this young sire is Marlu Elevation Rosita, an Excellent (90-2E) Elevation daughter with Excellent Mammary. As a

two-year-old, she made over 19,000M 890F 4.6% in 365 days. All following lactations are over 24,000M 1,000F with a best record of 29,140M 1,135F 3.9% in 365 days. The second dam is a Paclamar Bootmaker daughter, also with over 29,000M 1,000F from an Excellent Mammary. The sire of this bull calf is Carlin-M Ivanhoe BELL, a highly proven and popular sire in "Select's" current lineup.



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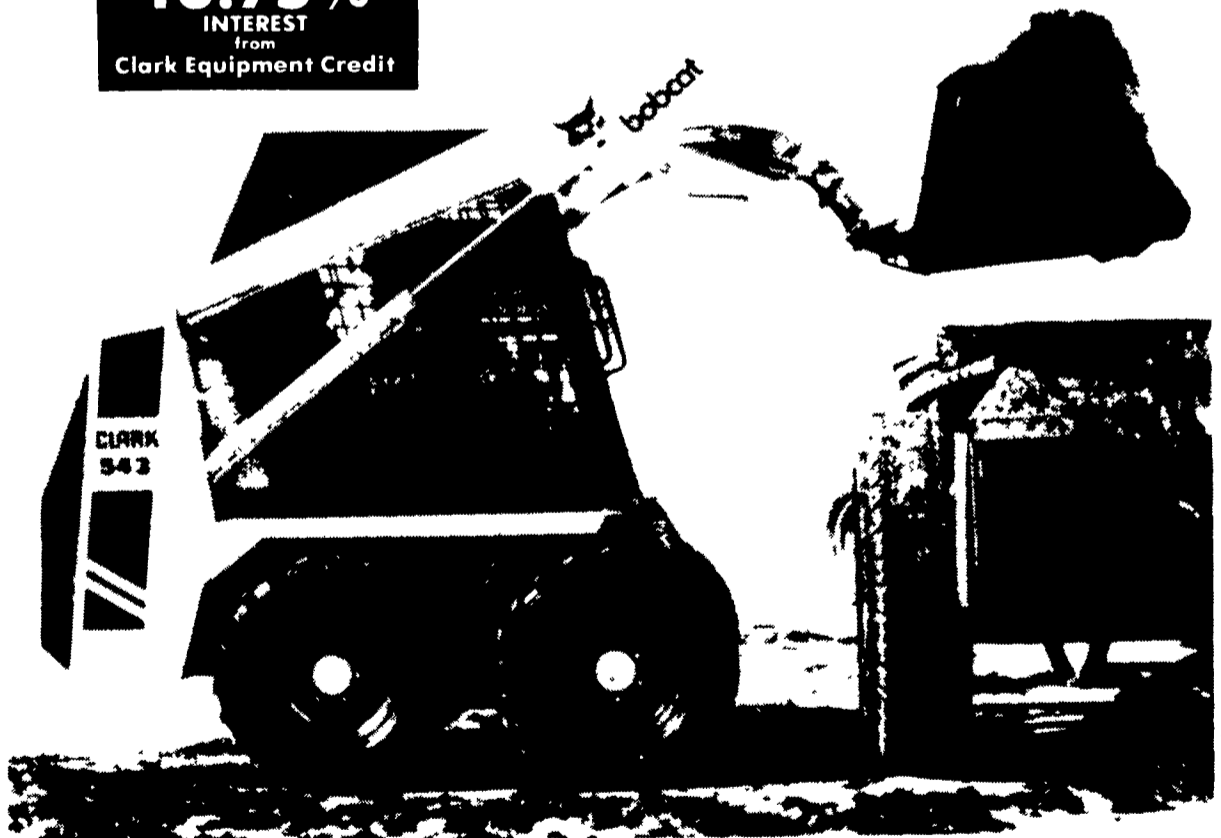
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