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year, Beth spoke to the large gathering of Jersey breeders and juniors. The 16 year old youth stated that her sister, Melinda, and her own 20 registered Jerseys that are currently "a part of my parent's generic herd." "They have provided me with an investment for the future," she added. Beth's parents are James and Nellie Warner, Columbia Cross Roads, and own a small herd of Holsteins. Beth is a junior at Troy High School and plans to attend college after graduation and major in psychology. She was crowned by the 1985 Jersey Queen, Carol Hobaugh.

Junior awards were also presented. The winners of the Brunges Memorial Award were: Lisa Chapman for Windy Acres Saint Doria production of FCM milk 18,286 pounds; second place, Pamela McConnell with Advancing Taffy Toni with 16,371 pounds FCM; third place, Marsha Ann Chess with VanDe MPQ Sandy Lilac with 16,331 pounds FCM; fourth, Melanie Dietrich with Midnight Dorina of Carrock with 15,956 pounds FCM; fifth place, Carolyn Norman with Normandell Sequel Gwen with 15,619 pounds

FCM; sixth place, Michael Lusk with Baronets Golden Treasure with 14,793 pounds FCM; and eighth place, Michelle Lusk with Superbs Roasted Peanut with 13,286 pounds FCM.

Lisa Chapman also received the Fetterhof Trophy. The Scrapbook award went to Christopher Zagrodnichek in the 8 to 14 year old division, and the First Year Project award went to Pamela McConnell. The calf donated each year by Frederick Farm, Bedford, to a deserving Jersey junior, was won by Kimberly Miller.

In presenting the numerous juniors with their awards after a busy year of activities, Youth Director, Lori Sollenberger, Everett, praised them for a winning year. "We had the largest state junior show ever in September," Sollenberger recalled. She also added that there were several juniors winning national scholarships this year.

The 1985 All-American Jersey Show in Louisville, Kentucky, placed the Pennsylvania Junior herd as the sixth state herd in the nation. The highest placing received to date at that show. Sollenberger noted the efforts of the junior club leaders and concluded to the breeders to remember the state Jersey Queen. "Let her represent the breed for you," Sollenberger stated.

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base of the breed's best bulls.

More than just another A.I. organization, Wolfe stated that the group "has a little different motivation for success. We want to improve the breed instead of just make money."

With Wolfe's encouragement and guidance on how to start such an organization with the minimum of investment by breeders, over 20 breeders expressed an interest in forming a Pennsylvania group. A committee was formed and scheduled to meet later in the year.

As Wolfe concluded her presentation at the annual meeting, she expressed appreciation for the interest in her young sire sampling data. She ended with a challenge for breeders, "Your challenges today will be your opportunities for success. Be aware of what is around you and capitalize it to your best advantage."

As the annual meeting progressed, several resolutions coming through committee and from the floor expressed the feelings of Jersey breeders, and were unanimously adopted by the membership.

The resolutions adopted signaled the support of the PJCC for: 1.- The limitation of Canadian imports during the buyout program; 2.- The slaughter of cows in an orderly manner to have as little an impact as possible on prices; 3.- The encouragement of the membership for the support of Project Equity; 4.- An organized young sire sampling approach to proving more of the breeds best bulls; and 5.- The opposition to government subsidizing foreign dairy investors.

Outgoing President Craig Rhein, Pine Grove, officiated during the election of the new officers. David Norman, Liberty, will succeed Rhein as president. John McConnell, Volant, will become first vice president, and Leon Sollenberger, Everett, will be the second vice president. Florence Robinson, Waynesboro, will keep her position as secretary-treasurer.

Junior production awards, and senior awards followed the business meeting. Several of the award winners were viewed that morning as farm tours highlighted the morning hours.

Buses carried visitors to the 130 cow Jersey dairy farm of Tom and

Carolyn Sanderson, Conneaut Lake. Over three years ago this herd was predominantly Holstein. Through purchases at the Pennsylvania Bred Heifer sale each year, Sanderson turned his black and white herd into one of the largest all Jersey herds in the state.

From the Sanderson spread, visitors viewed the state's highest producing Jersey herd. Dave and Donna Reusing, Meadville, own and operate New Hope Farm and their 20 cow herd of Jerseys. Their production for 1985 stands at 15,173 M and 658 F with three times a day milking. Cows are kept in the barn 22 hours per day and fed corn silage, hay and grain according to production. All grain and most of the silage is purchased and Reusing makes his own hay. A Westfalia Visaton milking system is used.

The top producing herd at Spruce Row Jerseys was also seen. Managed by Jeff and Janet Peters, the herd has been established since the early 1900's and Peters has managed it since 1981. Since that time, with a RHA of 9,000 milk, the herd has increased production over 15,000 on two times a day milking. The March RHA stood at 2x56 cows, 15,573M 714F and 568P.

Plain & Fancy sets meeting

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