

## Berks Cattlemen Outline '87 Activities

LEESPORT — The Berks County Cattlemen's Association outlined their activities for the new year and elected officers at their Dec. 17, 1986 meeting held here at the Ag Center.

Re-elected president of the association is Ken Rarick of Reading, and Mike Firestone, Womelsdorf, continues as secretary. Paul Holcombe of Mohrsville is the newly-elected vice president of the county association. Serving as directors are Dennis Manbeck, Robesonia, and Sheila Miller, Womelsdorf.

The Berks County Cattlemen's Association, which represents local beef and dairy producers who raise breeding stock and feeder cattle, has outlined its projected activities for 1987. Most activities are free for members of the association. Membership, at \$12 per year, covers both the county and state Cattlemen's Association dues, and includes a subscription to Beef Week magazine. Anyone interested in joining the association should contact the Berks County Extension Service by telephoning 215-378-1327.

According to Rarick, the association is planning an on-foot/on-rail beef evaluation on Jan. 19, 1987. This event is scheduled for the Leesport Farmer's Market,

located north of Leesport along Route 61. This contest is open to anyone interested in learning more about judging cattle, or for producers interested in seeing how their animals score in quality and yield grade, maturity, size of ribeye, and fat thickness. This year's judge will be Dr. William

Henning, a Penn State meat specialist. For more information on the evaluation, contact Clyde Myers at the Berks County Extension office.

Other activities planned for the new year include: a beef cookoff contest in May; a beef promotion with local food merchants in June;

a field trip to Chester County to see a demonstration of warm-season grasses and to visit an embryo transfer facility and beef farm in July; a beef barbeque and trip to a local meat packer in August; a steer weight/age guessing contest and winning-beef-recipe sample giveaway at the Farm-City Day at

Penn Square in Reading on Aug. 6, 1987; a roast beef sandwich sale at the Reading Fair in September; and a Club Calf Steer and Heifer Sale in November.

The next meeting of the association will be Feb. 24, 1987 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Ag Center.

## Scholarships Available From Chianina Assoc.

PLATTE CITY, Mo. — The American Chianina Association

Ladies Auxiliary is offering three \$1,000 scholarships to qualifying

graduating high school seniors. The scholarships are awarded to

one boy, one girl and the next top applicant.

## Charolais Assoc. Offers Videotapes

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — The American-International Charolais Association has recently released two videotapes that are available

on a loan basis.

The first tape is a 14-minute, video that tells the story of the Charolais breed. The second tape,

called "Profit Backed by Demand", focuses on the commercial beef cattle industry.

Both tapes are available in one-half-inch VHS or Beta formats. The loan is free, with the only cost to the borrower being the return postage.

For more information or to reserve your tape, contact the AICA at P.O. Box 20247, Kansas City, MO 64195 or by calling 816/464-5977.

Applicants must be a junior member of the American Chianina Association and be a graduating senior at the time of application. Interested seniors should apply to Judy Pannell, 1678 West Grantville Road, Grantville, Georgia 30220. Deadline for application is April 1, 1987.

Recipients will be announced at the National Junior Heifer Show banquet in August. The 1987 National Junior Heifer Show will be held in Rapid City, South Dakota.

## Greenhouse Workshop Scheduled

NEWARK, Del. — A workshop for Delaware greenhouse operators will be held Monday, Jan. 12, from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sheraton Inn, Dover.

A preregistration fee of \$10 is required and includes a lunch provided by the Delaware Produce Growers Association. After the first \$10 registration by a company, additional members of the same firm will be charged \$5. There will be no registration at the

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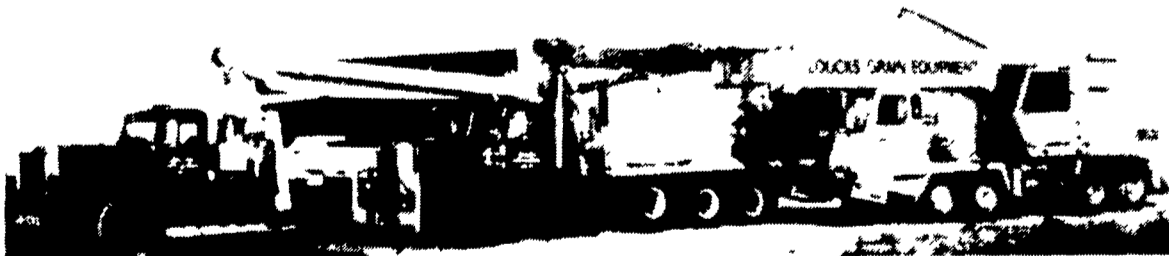
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