John and Barbara Brubaker, Christiana, 824 pounds.

Dale & Steve Hershey, Manheim, 823 pounds.

Robert and Linda Sensenig, Lancaster, 811 pounds. Curtis Akers, Quarryville, 804

Earl S. Weaver, New Holland,

803 pounds. Top milk production herds:

Ayrshire, Harold Shelly, 16,261.

Brown Swiss, Kerry & Deborah Boyd, 16,566.

Guernsey, Axel Linde and Millie Widman, 15,718.

Holstein, John Howard, 24,071. Jersey, Mark McCorkel, 14,984. Milking Shorthorn, J. Douglas Marsh, 13,897.

Top producing cows in butterfat by breed:

Ayrshire

Warren Schmuck, Rhoda, 820 pounds, 4.4 test.

Guernsev

Axel Linde and Millie Widman, Tinsel, 1,008 pounds, 4.9 test.

Jersey Robert Ulrich, Florence, 960 pounds, 5.0 test.

**Brown Swiss** Donald Trimble, Niobe, 942 pounds, and 4.4 test.

Milking Shorthorn J. Douglas Marsh, Teespot, 919 pounds, 4.9 test.

Mixed Breed Henry U. Stoltzfus Jr., Bubbles, 935 pounds, 3.8 test.

Red & White Holstein Karl W. Herr, 5RSC, 1,084 pounds. 4.3 test.

Holstein

John H. Howard, Bernice, 1,332 pounds, 4.1 test.

Somatic Cell Count Awards Kerry and Deborah Boyd of Ephrata earned the top award in somatic cell count at 72,000. Norman Rutt & Son of Elizabethtown came in at second with 85,000 SCC. Meadow Vista Farm of

Bainbridge came in third at 94,000 and Roy Sensenig of Nottingham took fourth at 96,000.

Top protein herds: John Howard, 764 pounds. Dale and Steve Hershey, 735 pounds.

Ammon Reiff, 720 pounds. John and Barbara Brubaker, 716 pounds.

Aaron Zeiset, 714 pounds. Henry U. Stoltzfus, Jr., 710 pounds.

Robert and Linda Sensenig, 707 pounds.

Daryl & Sam Martin, 702 pounds.

Supervisors Honored

Mylin noted there has been little turnover of supervisors and praised them for their committment to service. Ten of 18 supervisors have served 10 years or more with an average of 15 years.

Harold Probst, Floyd Zook and James Lehman recieved the supervisor bonus award and a \$300 check. Criteria for the award included mailing time less than

2.9 days; accuracy rate must be 99.75.; average test interval must be between 27 and 30.7 days; must attend two supervisor conferences; must have favorable report from manager based on results of member evaluation conducted by PA

DHIA. Harold Probst received the Hollinger Award for excelling at

work.

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James Lehman received the Distinguished Service Award for outstanding service to DHIA. The award is presented to only one supervisor per district.

Harold Lindecamp leads supervisors in years of service at 35 years. Moses Martin reached his 30th year and Lee Landis has sample preparation and neat paper served the DHIA 20 years.

## Tillage Conference Comming This Week

YORK — Earlier this year, the Monsanto Agricultural Company of St. Louis, Missouri, announced greenhouse breakthroughs in producing genetically engineered strains of soybeans and cotton with tolerance to Roundup, a nonselective herbicide used to control tough weeds like Johnsongrass.

Dr. Stephen R. Padgette, research specialist in plant molecular biology at Monsanto, will tell more about this development as one of the major speakers during the fifteenth annual Mid-Atlantic Conservation Tillage Conference set for December 14, 1988, at the York Fairgrounds in York, Pennsylvania.

Why should farmers be interested in such promising biotechnology research? Dr. Padgette points out that Roundup is nontoxic to animals and marine life. Rapid breakdown is another factor making the chemical more enivornmentally attractive than most similar products.

Padgette's presentation ties in with two other topics scheduled during the morning session at this year's Mid-Atlantic Conservation Tillage Conference.

Mr. Len Richardson, editor of Agrichemical Age, a San Francisco, California-based magazine, will lead off the program with a presentation on "How Water Quality Issues Are Shaping Your Future.

Dr. Richard A. Weismiller, an extension agronomist at the University of Maryland, will follow with "Conservation Tillage and Groundwater Quality".

Other topics and speakers will include: "Improving Nutrient Efficiency With No-Tillage", Dr. V. Allan Bandel, extension agronomists, University of Maryland; "Farm Production, Prices and Politics in 1989", Dr. John F. Marten, Staff Economist for Farm Journal; and "Tillage Alternatives", Dr. Richard R. Johnson, Senior Agronomist, Deere & Co. Technical Center, Moline, Illinois and Lynn D. Hoffman, Agronomy Research Center, Superintendent, Penn State University.

Dr. Marten will lead off the afternoon session as keynote speaker for the day. He was a popular speaker during the 1985 Mid-Atlantic No-Till Conference predecessor of the Conservation Tillage Conference.

This year's event will get underway at 8:00 a.m. with free coffee and doughnuts, plus an opportunity to visit more than 25 industry exhibits in Memorial Hall at the York Fairgrounds.

The educational proglram will run from 10:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. in the same building, with 11/2 hours off for lunch in Old Main and another chance to visit industry exhibits in Memorial Hall.

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