

Delaware Century Farm Recipients Honored

DOVER, DE — The 3rd annual Century Farm Awards presentation will be hosted by the Delaware Department of Agriculture Tuesday, Feb. 28, beginning at 11 a.m. in the Delaware Agriculture Museum in Dover.

Eight new honorees will be added to the list of 29 farm families that have previously earned Century Farm distinctions.

The Century Farm program recognizes families that have owned and operated the same farm for 100 years or more. Homesteads must be at least 10 acres in size and actively farmed in order to be eligible for the awards. Farms that are less than 10 acres must generate at least \$10,000 in annual sales to qualify.

Award recipients receive a pewter plate and certificate to commemorate the honor. Century Farm signs suitable for outdoor display also are available to recipients, as well as shirts and jackets with the Century Farm logo imprinted on them.

Five honorees also will receive Historic Structure awards. To qualify for an Historic Structure Award, the family must have four structures on the farm that are at least 50 years old and that have

not been significantly altered.

A luncheon for recipients will follow the awards ceremony.

Michael McGrath, program coordinator and manager of the Department of Agriculture's Aglands Preservation Section, said he is sure many more Delaware families could qualify for Century Farm status if they took the time to research and document their farm's history. He encouraged anyone interested in the Century Farm program to contact his office at 1-800-282-8685.

1989 Century Farm Award Recipients

(The following list includes the farm owner(s), generation, location and principal operation.)

Bennett Farms Inc., Fred A. Bennett II and Fred A. Bennett III (owners, father and son), 7th generation, Milford, grain and poultry operation; also receives Historic Structures Award.

Albert D. Warren, Sr. (owner), 6th generation, Felton, grain operation.

Cooch's Bridge Farm, Edward W. Cooch, Jr. (owner), 7th generation, Newark, grain operation; also receives Historic Structures Award.

Middlespace Farm, David F. Richards and A. Katharine Richards (owners, brother and sister), 6th generation, Greenwood, grain operation; also receives Historic Structures Award.

Locust Grove Farm, Mary Loockerman (owner), 6th generation, Greenwood, grain and corn operation.

Cedarcrest Farm, Captain William Lowe Jr. and Grace Warrington Lowe (husband and wife),

4th generation, Georgetown, grains, corn, soybeans and timber operation.

Cedar Crest Farm Home Place, Frederick Thaddeus Warrington III (owner), 4th generation, Georgetown, raises Welsh ponies; also receives Historic Structures Award. (Frederick and Grace Warrington inherited Cedar Crest Farm from their father, whose will divided it into the two existing properties in 1986.

Brecknock Farm, Elizabeth Howell Goggin (owner), 4th generation, Camden, no current crops; also receives Historic Structures Award. Mrs. Goggin recently offered her historic property to Kent County to be used as park land. Mrs. Goggin will retain total ownership of the farm and lease the property to the county until her death, whereby it will become the county's property and be turned into an historic park.

Dairy Farmers Will Receive \$12.95 For January Milk

NEW YORK, NY — Dairy farmers who supplied milk plants regulated under the New York-New Jersey marketing orders during January 1989 will be paid on the basis of a uniform price of \$12.95 per hundredweight (27.8 cents per quart); the price for the corresponding month last year was \$12.03 per hundredweight. Market Administrator Thomas A. Wilson also stated that the price was \$13.07 in December 1988. The uniform price is a marketwide weighted average of the value of

farm milk used for fluid and manufactured dairy products.

The seasonal incentive plan does not affect the uniform price for the month of January.

A total of 13,635 dairy farmers supplied the New York-New Jersey Milk Marketing Area with 964,063,607 pounds of milk during January 1989. This was an increase of 2.9 percent (about 28 million pounds) from last year. The gross value to dairy farmers for milk deliveries was \$128,763,931.63. This included

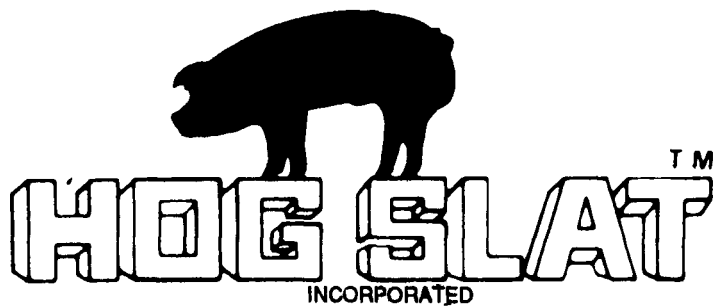
differentials required to be paid to dairy farmers but not voluntary premiums or deductions authorized by the farmer.

Regulated milk dealers (handlers) used 397,162,529 pounds of milk for Class I, 41.2 percent of the total. This milk is used for fluid milk products such as homogenized, flavored, low test, and skim milks. For January 1989, handlers paid \$14.78 per hundredweight (31.8 cents per quart) for Class I milk compared with \$13.89 a year ago.

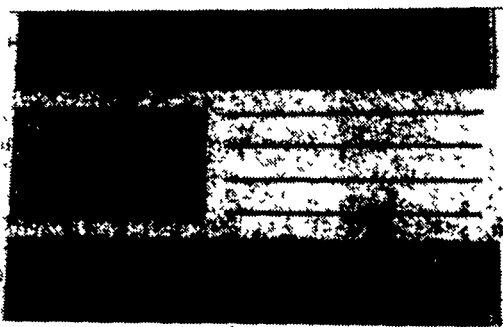
The balance (566,901,078 pounds or 58.8 percent) was used to manufacture Class II products including butter, cheese, ice cream, and yogurt. Handlers paid \$11.93 per hundredweight for this milk.


The uniform price is based on milk containing 3.5 percent butterfat. For January 1989, there was a price differential of 15.1 cents for each one-tenth of one percent that the milk tested above or below the 3.5 percent standard.

All prices quoted are for bulk tank milk received from farms in the 201-210 mile zone from New York City.



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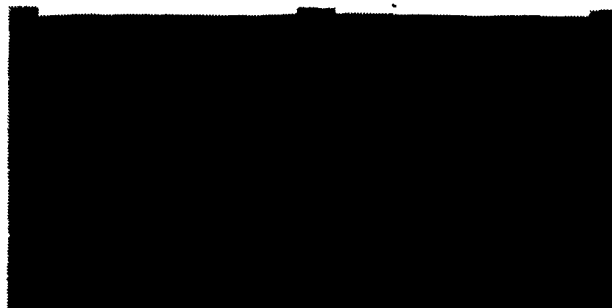
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