

## Lancaster Farmland Trust

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resources for future generations," Boyd said. "Let it be our legacy to help this living national treasure flourish into the 21st century as a contribution to the on-going quality of life rather than a monument to past historical achievement."

Among those who were recognized for support of the program were Robert and Carolyn Wenger and Joseph and Claudine Hess.

The Wengers, who own farms in

Manheim and Warwick Townships, were honored for extending an original 25-year easement with the county ag preserve board to a perpetual easement with the trust.

The Hesses also put their 137-acre Strasburg farm into a perpetual easement with the trust.

Alan Musselman, executive director for the trust, said Lancaster has the opportunity to be an island of success in terms of saving the land. He said Lancaster has

things underway and other parts of the country are recognizing that the county is securing a more permanent agriculture.

Musselman announced that the non-profit trust has now preserved 27 county farms totaling 2,500 acres. He said that the trust has also assisted in preserving five farms in conjunction with the Lancaster Ag Preserve Board. He said the trust has been able to find creative ways to help farm families preserve the land while satisfying family needs in transferring land and saving taxes.

Lancaster now has 131 farms preserved and 260,000 acres in restrictive agricultural zoning.

In addition to President Boyd, other officers elected were Brent Shunk, vice president; Phyllis Whitesell, secretary and Paul Whipple, treasurer.

New board members elected were Zoa Kile and Ronald Kreider, three-year terms, and Dorothy Lyet and Dennis Jeff, one-year terms. Renominated to the board were Jeffrey Frey, Marilyn Lewis and Paul Whipple, three year terms and George Delp, one year term.

The Lancaster Farmland Trust has 1600 members; 375 of them attended the banquet.



At the Lancaster Farmland Trust Banquet, Claudine and Joseph Hess, seated, and Robert and Carolyn Wenger received awards for preserving their land in perpetual easements.

## Honors Quality Milk

CINCINNATUS, N.Y. — Thomas Holl of DeRuyter, N.Y., was recently recognized by United Dairy Services for his outstanding quality milk production for this past year.

Holl, a member of Otselic Valley Milk Producers Cooperative Association, Inc., was presented the award by James Patsos of United Dairy Services at Otselic Valley Co-op's Annual Meeting in Cincinnatus, N.Y.

Otselic Valley Co-op dairy farmer members are located in Cortland and Chenango counties.

This is the third consecutive year that Tom Holl has been the recipient of this award. He

received a gift and a check for fifty dollars in recognition of his achievement.

Otselic Valley Co-op is a member of United Dairy Services located in Seneca Falls, N.Y. United Dairy Services provides marketing, accounting and legislative services for small cooperatives and agricultural organizations.

United provides the award each year to individuals in each cooperative member association in recognition of the outstanding efforts made by its members to provide quality milk going into wholesome dairy products for consumers.

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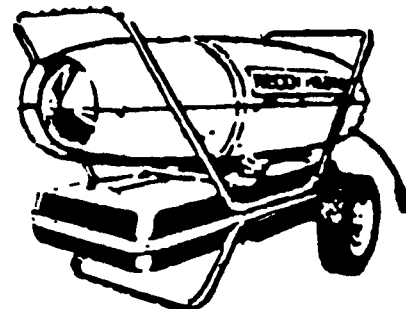
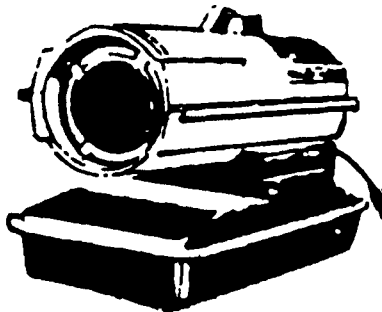
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