

# Lebanon Holstein Recognizes Youth

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SCHAEFFERSTOWN (Lebanon Co.) — Lebanon Holstein Club held its annual banquet last week at Schaefferstown Fire Hall and officials reported on association business, elected new directors, and recognized the achievements of the organization's junior members.

Elected to serve as county directors were Duane Nolt, Mike Fair and Bruce Bollinger.

According to Alan Hostetter, state director, the state association fees are to stay the same for the coming year. He also said that Lebanon members should be proud of their status as a leading Holstein breeding county in Pennsylvania. "The county can be proud. It ranks with any county in the state," he said.

Hostetter also said that he has one year left in his term as state director and he said he wanted members to consider running for the position. He said the experi-

ence representing the county at the state level has been especially rewarding, because of the respect, reputation and performance of Lebanon County's 184 members. In other business, Clarence Stauffer, with the state association, reported to members that while prices are to stay the same, there has been some major changes at the state and national level.

Last Wednesday, the national area office was closed down. Members who need information should call Stauffer or call the national headquarters at Brattleboro, Vt.

He said that, because of the poor economy, 60 fewer people are now working and registration turnaround is about the same. He said in addition to office personnel, "a couple of consultants went as well."

Stauffer also reminded members that with the advent of the new program to "register" grade animals, the organization is now applicable for many more dairy cattle

enthusiasts. He said that members should just talk to people and explain the marketing benefits of the association, plus the fellowship, activities and educational advantages available.

He also announced that he was seeking about a hundred, 300-pound calves with strong sires and dams for sale.

Also, he said that the Middletown facility is to see increased use as a holding area for cattle. Stauffer said that in the past, many buyers from the South used to come up and go on farm visits to pick over cattle at the farm.

He said now the buyers prefer to come to one place, look over several hundred and select from the larger group. He said that the state plan is to stockpile some cattle at the farm so that buyers can arrive and do business without undue delays.

Bill Allan was hired September to manage the Middletown farm and to manage sales. He replaced Jeff Harding who left to manage a

700-cow freestall operation.

In other business, it was announced that members who renew membership prior to Dec. 1 qualify for a 5-percent fee discount.

It was also announced that plans for the state conventions (Junior Association for Feb. 5, 6 and 7; state for Jan. 18, 19 and 20 at the Ramada Inn in Wilkes-Barre) are being settled and that consignments for the sale will start being taken on Nov. 19.

In awards, Dan Groff presented a county Holstein Association scholarship to David Lentz, son of Robert and Sandra Lentz. David is a student at Penn State University, president of the PSU Dairy Science club; sale chairman of the 1992 Fall Classic, and county association director, who has been a member of two state dairy bowl teams and won numerous other honors.

Lentz was attending school and was unable to accept the scholarship in person. His mother accepted on his behalf.

The county's youth have manned the top dairy bowl teams for two of the past three years and have been widely recognized for their involvement and achievements in dairy industry and youth programs.

Every year awards are presented to those youth whose registered Holsteins produced the most milk and milk components, according

to cow-age class.

In the 2-year-old cow class, the top cow for milk production was owned by Christopher Wagner. She produced 23,891 pounds. A cow owned by his sister Stephanie Wagner was second with 23,055 pounds. Regan Miller had the third highest with 20,750 pounds of milk.

In the 2-year-old class for fat production, Stephanie's cow made 978 pounds, while brother Chris's made 815 pounds. A cow owned by Troy Miller was third with 740 pounds of fat.

In the 2-year-old, the top for protein was Stephanie's cow with 716 pounds; followed by Chris's with 696 pounds. Amanda Martin's cow had the third highest protein production for 2-year-olds with 574 pounds.

Among the 3-year-old cows, Michelle Mase's made the most milk, with 28,721 pounds. Troy Getz's cow was second with 26,683 pounds of milk, followed closely by Todd Getz's which made 26,336 pounds.

Michelle Mase's cow led the 3-year-olds with fat production, making 1,020 pounds, while Troy Getz's made second most fat with 953 pounds. Todd Getz's cow was third with 945 pounds.

In protein production, Michelle Mase's cow made 882 pounds, followed again by Troy Getz's cow with 862 pounds protein and Todd

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Receiving awards for recognition of outstanding production by junior members of the the Lebanon County Holstein Association are, from the left, Duane Nolt, Timothy Getz, Jeremy Troutman, Christopher Wagner, Michelle Mase, and Stephanie Wagner.

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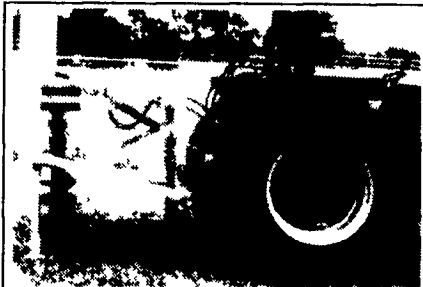
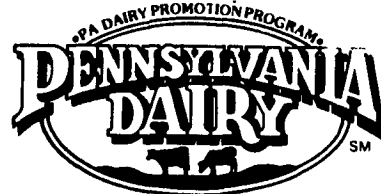
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