

Outstanding Young Farmer Couple Wins All-Terrain Vehicle

CAMP HILL (Cumberland Co.) — Steve and Becky Gross of Manchester, York County are having an eventful new year as the result of being chosen the Outstanding Young Farm Couple by

the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association (PFA) last November. On December 23, just in time for Christmas, they picked up one of their prizes as winners of the statewide contest. Bob Markey,

owner of Bob's Indian Sales and Service, Etters, handed over the keys to a new Honda Fourtrax two-wheel drive TRX 300 from the American Honda Motor Company. The all-terrain vehicle is "made for work" according to Markey. Steve and Becky can already attest to that as owners of a three-wheel ATV which was purchased second-hand and now needs repairs. They will be using the new ATV for "everything from planting timothy seed, riding fence, and rounding up cattle," Steve said. The prize from Honda also included helmets and safety training.

selected as statewide winners of PFA's Outstanding Young Farm Couple contest as a result of their exceptional business skills and leadership abilities. The award is presented annually to a farmer or farm couple under age 30. Steve has expanded his beef operation to 165 head of cattle after starting in

1989 with the purchase of three Holstein beef calves. He is the Young Farmer and Rancher Committee chairman for the York County Farmers' Association. Becky was recently elected vice president of Penn's Agri-Women. Steve and Becky are also the parents of a one-year-old son.



Bob Markey (right) owner of Bob's Indian Sales & Service, Etters, hands over the keys to a new Honda all-terrain vehicle to the winners of the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association's Outstanding Young Farmer award, Steve and Becky Gross with son, Nevin, of Manchester, York County.

Lancaster To Feature Food, Photography At Annual Meeting

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — Lancaster County Cooperative Extension will hold its 80th annual meeting on Thursday, February 11, at the Farm and Home Center in Lancaster from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. The evening's festivities will begin at 6:30 p.m. with a one-hour finger-food smorgasbord. The smorgasbord will feature a wide variety of foods grown or processed in Lancaster County.

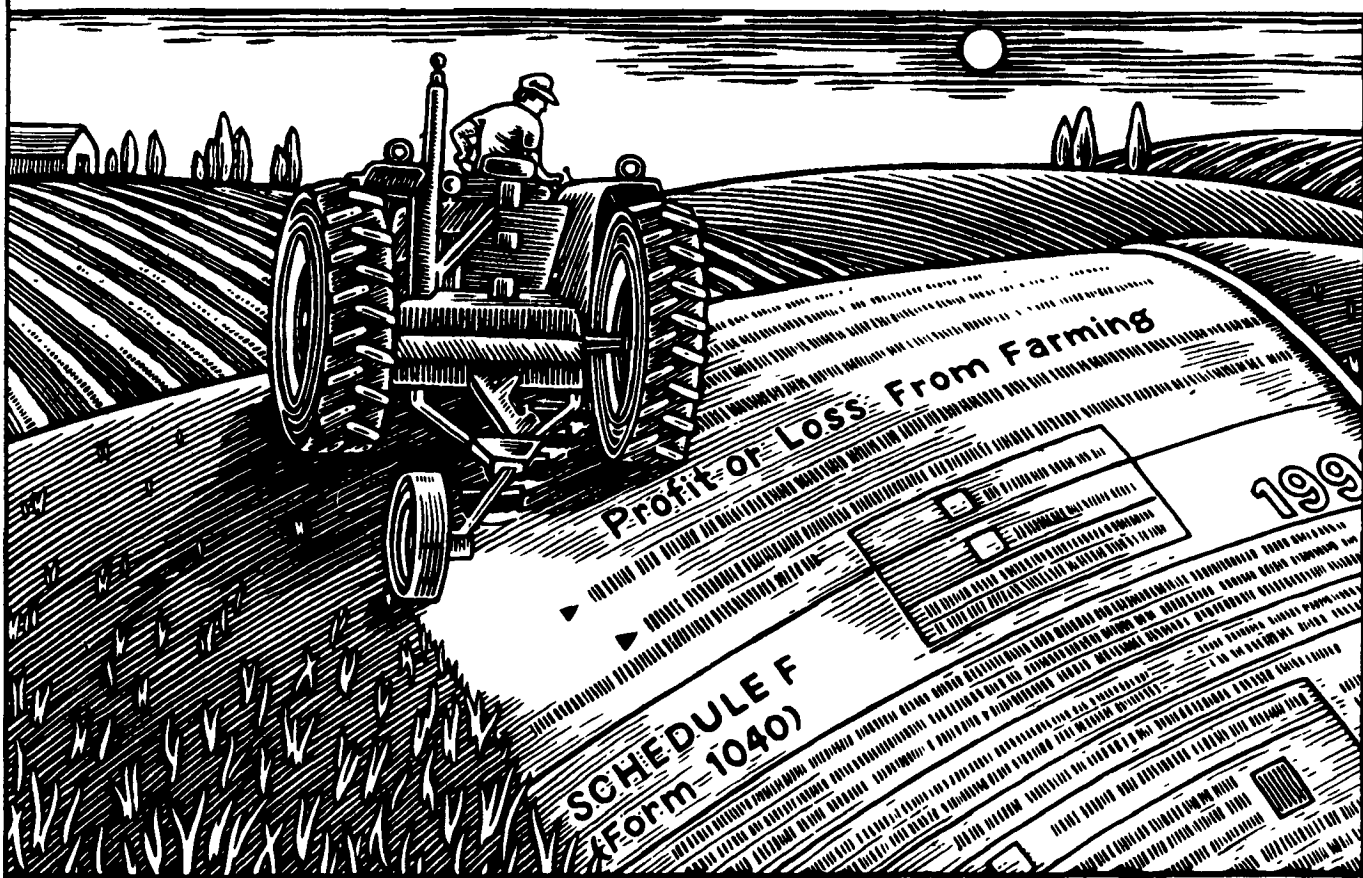
The program begins at 7:30 p.m. and features the works of internationally known Lancaster County photographer, Grant Heilman. The slide show, "A Portrait: The Mid-Atlantic Farmlands," featuring the diversity of agricul-

ture and peoples in Lancaster County, will be presented by Heilman's representative. The second presentation for the evening is Dr. Charles Krueger, associate dean for Research for Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences, who will be speaking on, "How Research and Extension Work Together." He will explain how research information gained at University Park, University Research Farms, and local farmer research plots is transferred through Cooperative Extension to farmers and homeowners throughout Pennsylvania.

Cost is \$3 per person. Tickets are available from Extension board members or the Penn State Cooperative Extension Office at 1383 Arcadia Road, Room 1, Lancaster, PA 17601 (717) 394-6851.

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