

Poultry Club Holds

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Poultry Science Club Awards
 Penn State Poultry Science Club
 President Andrew Long and Vice
 President Joe Garber presented the

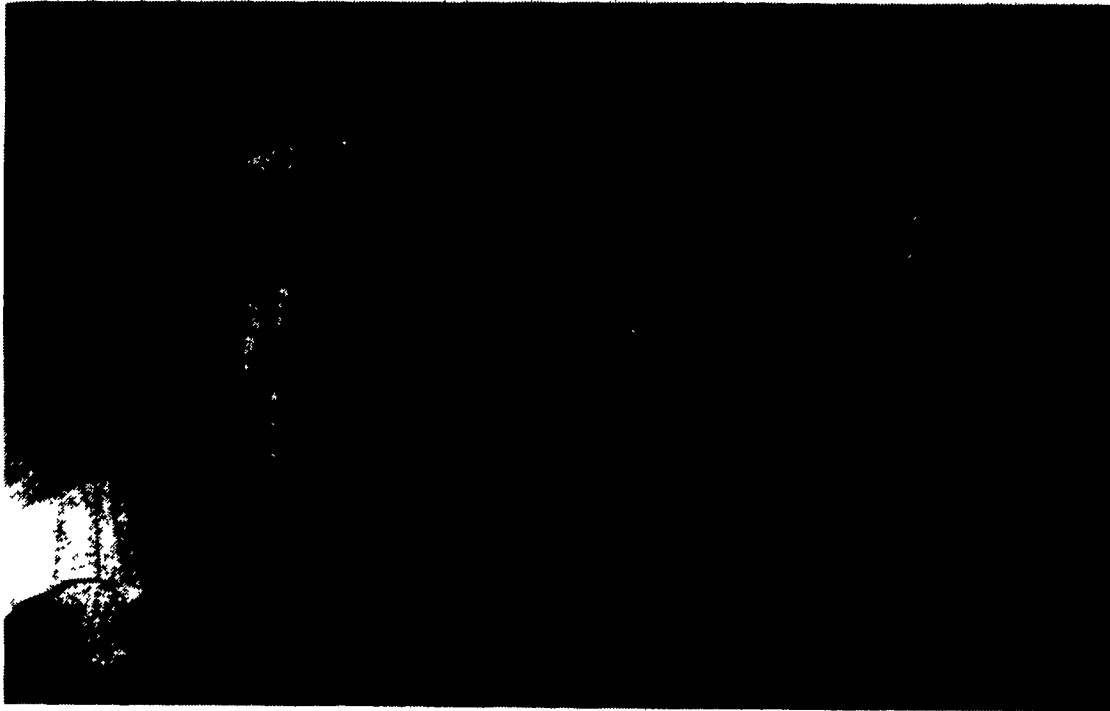
following awards to club
 members:

- Most active member (not an officer) - Stacy Snyder;
- High grade point average,

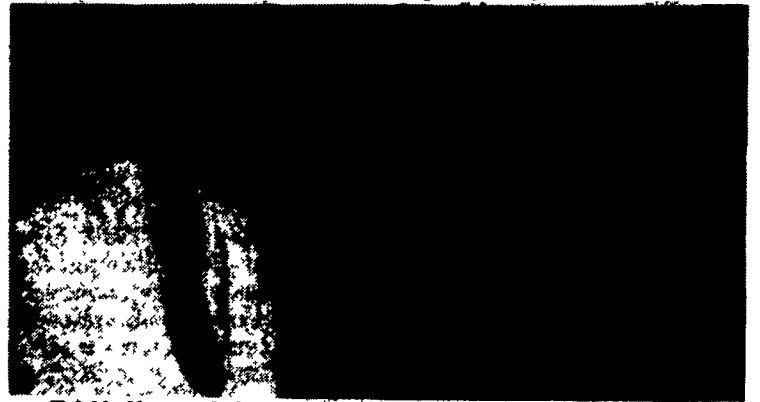
poultry science major, Ed Hoff-
 man; Minor - Henry Zerby;

- Distinguished club service -
 Dr. Edward Mills, Penn State pro-

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Poultry Science Club, left to right, seated, Dirk Wise, club advisor; Troy Eckert; Frank Perdue, guest speaker; and Joe Garber. Back row, Andrew Long, Matt Zerby, Ed Hoffman, Eric Smith, Chris Walter, Doug Metzler, Andy Plummer, Brenda Morgan, Mark Skinner, Meg Willis, Stacy Snyder, Lydia Kepler, and Henry Zerby.



Ed Hoffman, left, and Henry Zerby, right, received high grade point average awards from Andrew Long, center.



Dr. Ed Mills receives the Distinguished Club Service Award from Andrew Long, left, and Dirk Wise, right.

Eastern Milk

Delegates To Russia

Report To Congress

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A team of management and board members from Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative traveled to Washington, D.C. this week to brief members of Congress and officials at the U.S. Department of Agriculture on farm issues, including the recent dairy mission to Russia.

Eastern General Manager Mike Donovan, the Syracuse, N.Y. man who led the humanitarian and trade delegation to Moscow earlier this month, said they "wanted to alert USDA officials to an impending request from Russia for millions of pounds of butter which would result in close to a quarter reduction of government surplus stocks.

Donovan said USDA officials were "encouraged by the news of an impending request from Russia" and added that American dairy farmers would benefit from any reduction in surplus dairy products because it would help keep the price of their raw milk from going down.

While Donovan brought Washington officials up to date on Eastern's international concerns, Eastern President Lewis Gardner spoke about domestic issues with various senators, representatives and staffers from the Senate and House Agriculture committees.

Gardner, who himself participated in a humanitarian aid effort to the former Soviet Union over a year ago, said, "We wanted to impress on members of Congress some of the detrimental aspects of the president's proposed tax package, and what kind of impact it can have on farmers."

Gardner said they discussed "major concerns" of Northeast farmers, including budget-appropriation implications for farm and related programs, tax issues and the energy/BTU tax.

Eastern Cooperative Relations Manager Anthony Schlesier, who was part of both last year's and this year's delegation to Russia, told congressional leaders he saw "major improvements" in Moscow's economy.

"You can find many more kiosks and street vendors," said Schlesier, of Hartwick, N.Y. "I was even able to stop on the street and get a shesh ka bob. That was unheard of last year."

Other members of the Eastern Milk Producers team visiting Washington were Vice President Tim Bryant of Pawlet, Vt.; Secretary Ed Schoen of Phelps, N.Y., and board members Robert Thompson of Wyalusing, Robert Gabel of Newport, and Jerrel Heatwole of Greenwood, Del. Also attending the meetings was Assistant General Manager Joseph Mathis of Syracuse, N.Y.

The meetings were arranged by two Washington-based farm organizations, the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives and the Council of Northeast Farmer Cooperatives.

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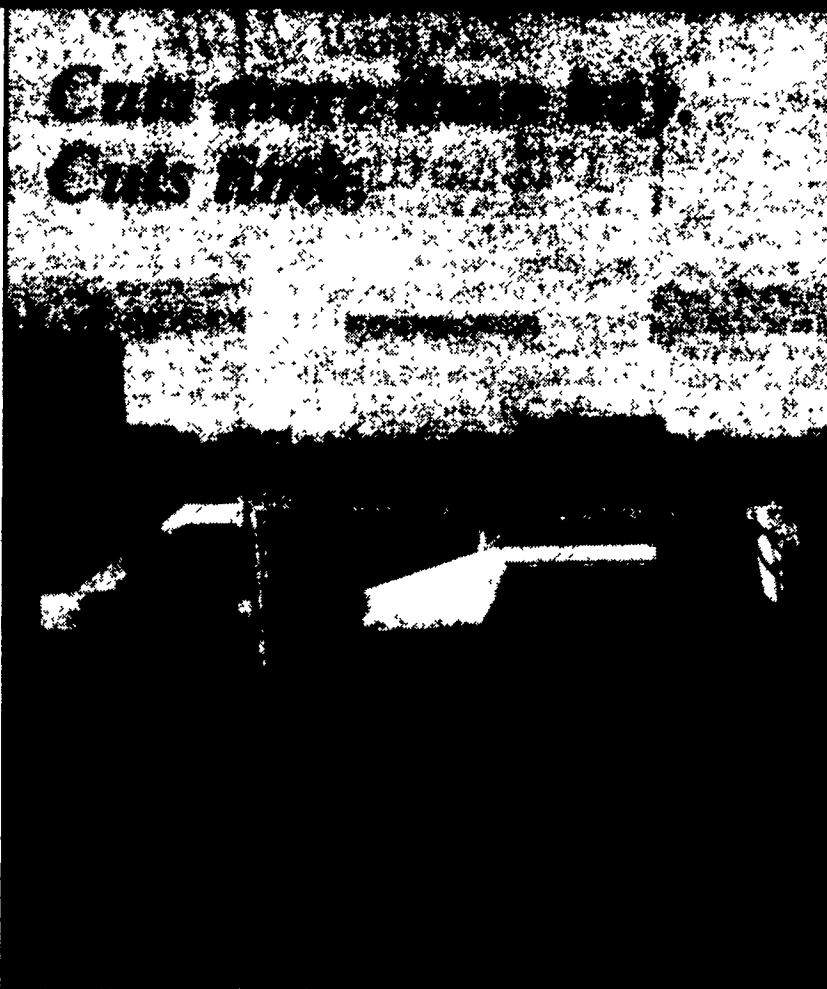
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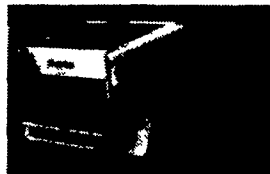
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