

# Fair Honors Holstein Breeders

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**TIMONIUM, Md.** — During the Holstein Show at the Maryland State Fair, special awards are presented to recognize outstanding achievements and accomplishments of Holstein breeders.

The Breed Improvement Committee of the Maryland Holstein Association, chaired by Steve Wilson, made selections for 1993: outstanding senior breeder, Joe and Nona Schwartzbeck Family; outstanding junior breeder, Cam and Anne Davis along with Tom and Kirsten Powell known as Unicorn Associates; and Distinguished Service Award, Marlin Hoff.

**Senior Holstein Breeder Award**  
 Joe Schwartzbeck started dairying by selling cream from his Jersey cow while he was in high school. After serving a stint in the Army, he began farming full time

in Montgomery County in 1960 with a group of Jersey cows. In 1964, he married Nona Louise Brown and purchased his first registered Holstein.

In 1968, Joe and Nona moved from Montgomery County to their present location in Carroll County. The farm was appropriately named Peace & Plenty and has grown throughout the years to be a 450-acre farm. In the early years, Schwartzbeck purchased groups of cows from Kingstead Farms, providing the foundation for his herd. Peace & Plenty Kingstead Fury, a daughter of Ideal Fury Reflector, was one to help make the Peace & Plenty prefix familiar to breeders across Maryland and throughout the country. Fury went on to Madison in 1974 where she was a member of the winning senior get and was named best udder of the show. The next year, Fury sold at the Pennsylvania All-

American sale for more than five figures.

Over the years, Schwartzbeck has used bulls such as Elevation and Starbuck with great success. This has provided him with a surplus of cattle which has allowed him to merchandise top quality cattle into many states and foreign countries. The Peace & Plenty herd has received many All-Maryland awards, and at the 1993 Maryland Spring Holstein Show they received the premier breeder and exhibitor banners. The current herd BAA stands at 105.9 on 136 cows with nine excellent and 53 very good. Their DHIR average is 22,914 milk and 882 fat. The National Holstein Association has recognized the herd for outstanding production and type with the PBR award for 10 years.

Schwartzbeck has given greatly of his time and energy to the dairy industry. He is currently president of the Maryland Dairy Shrine, chairman of the Maryland Holstein Association sale committee, and a director of Maryland PDCA. He is past president of the Maryland Holstein Association, Carroll County DHIA, and Carroll County Holstein Club. He has been selected by his fellow breeders to represent them as a delegate to the National Holstein Convention eight times. Schwartzbeck was recognized by the Maryland Jaycees as Maryland's Outstanding Young Farmer in 1973. Nona has also given greatly of her talents. She is past president of the Carroll County Fair Board and the Carroll County Ag Center. She has served the Maryland Holstein Association as chairman of the Junior

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Junior Breeder Award winner, Unicorn Associates, from left, Kirstin, Matt, Tom and Benjamin Powell; Cam, Anne, Scott, and Sarah Powell; and Charles Lager, presenting the award for the Maryland Holstein Association.



Distinguished Service Award went to Marlin Hoff. From left, Dennis Remsburg, donor of award; Kathy, Marlin, Ian, Matt, and Debbie Hoff.



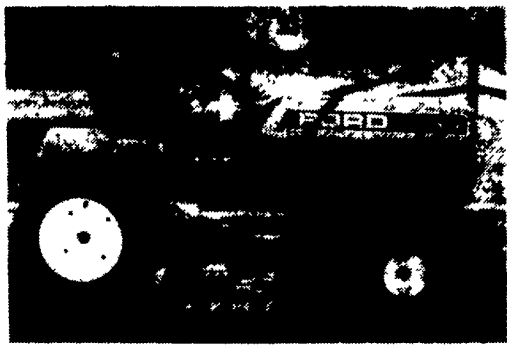
Senior Breeder Award winners, Joe Schwartzbeck family, left to right, Lisa and Gus Schwartzbeck with their two children, Aubrey and Davis, Nona, Shane and Joe Schwartzbeck, with Russell Wachter, donor of award.

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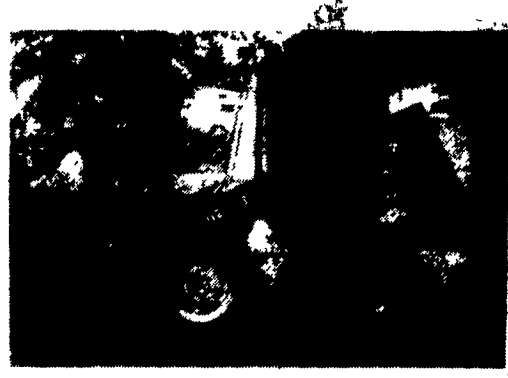
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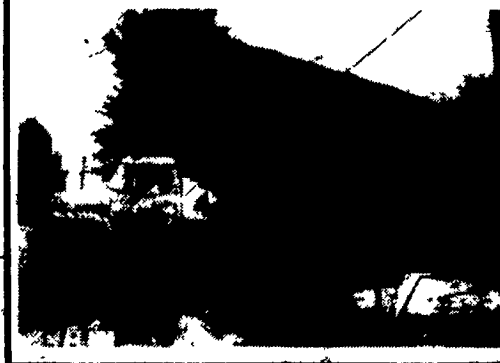
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