

PSU Dairymen's Club Holds Banquet, Lion Classic

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STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — A reunion of Penn State Dairy Judging Team members was the focus of this year's Dairymen's Club banquet held October 29 at the Penn State Ag Arena.

The record-setting 106 people attending the banquet included 26 judging team members and four coaches from the 1948 team to the present. The coaches were Dr. Howard Thoele and Warren Poage, both retired from Penn State, Larry Swartz, president of the Dairymen's Club who is currently with Atlantic Breeders, and Dale Olver, who has been coaching the Penn State team since 1989.

Another highlight of the evening was the presentation of the fourth Dairymen's Service Award, which goes to a person nominated by virtue of contributions made to the Pennsylvania Dairy industry. This year's winner was Dean Amick, who is the director of field operations for Pennsylvania DHIA. Beginning as a milk tester in Lancaster County in 1954 with 11 herds and 400 cows, he now supervises 200 field personnel testing 4500 herds with 280,000 cows.

Amick's accomplishments include the development of a sample transport system with refrigerated trucks and system for recycling sample vials in addition to a one-of-a-kind liquid preservative dispenser for vial preparation. He also helped organize the North American Lab Managers Association of which he was president for three years.

Other awards Amick has received are: Outstanding DHIA Lab Manager in 1989, Outstanding Supervisor Performance Award in 1966, and DHIA Award of Merit as a milk tester for 12 consecutive years. His activities include Dairy Shrine, Pennsylvania All-American Show Committee, and the Pennsylvania Softball Association, of which he is currently a district commissioner. He and his wife Shirley live in Boalsburg.

To raise more money for the judging team endowment fund which supports trips and other expenses, the Dairymen's Club held



Penn State dairy judging team members past and present at the Dairymen's Club annual meeting last Friday. From left, Row 1, Coaches Larry Swartz, Warren Poage, Dale Olver, and Howard Thoele.

Row 2, Dave Wasak, Jennie Brown, Melanie Bachman, Jane Pepple, Sheryl Vanco, Sally Bair, Whitey McKowen, and Cindy Welmer.

Row 3, Matt Wanner, Bob Pepple, Dave Lentz, Bob Barley, Bill Curley, William Lesher, and Pete Witmer.

Row 4, Mark Bachman, Roger Pertl, Ken Kehr, Dave Morrow, Alan Bair, and Bob Patton.

Row 5, Boyd Wolff, Don Ace, Paul Anderson, Charlie Brosius, and Dave Trotter.



With the second highest seller are from left, Dwight Stoltzfus, sale manager, Mike Welmer, auctioneer, Horace Backus, pedigrees, Terri Packard, Tom McCauley, consigner and Dave Lentz.

its second auction of Penn State and dairy memorabilia and crafts. The auction netted \$1340 for the fund. The club also raised \$505 for the fund from selling crafts at the All-American Dairy Show this year.

The Poage Grant-In-Aid, which is administered by the Dairymen's Club, went to Brenda Mihaliak for 1993. A sophomore in dairy and animal science from Willington, Connecticut, Brenda placed second in the Connecticut 4-H Dairy Judging Contest and was high individual in Jerseys in the Eastern States 4-H competition.

Chris Reaver Swartz, Dwayne Hay and Peter Witmer were elected to the Dairymen's Club Board of Directors for three-year terms. Dale Olver will take over as club secretary-treasurer from Dr. Mike O'Connor, who will be on sabbatical next year.

In connection with the judging team reunion, Dale Olver informed banquet attendees that over the last 40 years, Penn State judging teams place fifth out of 70-80 teams in the country for overall winnings. This year's team won two breeds and was second overall at Eastern States, seventh out of 16 at the All-American, and fifth out of 30 teams at the World Dairy Expo in Madison.

Fall Classic

The 10th annual Nittany Lion Fall Classic Sale, held October 30 at the Penn State Ag Arena, grossed an average of \$1963 for its co-managers, the Penn State Dairy

Science Club and the Pennsylvania Holstein Association.

Joyce Ringler of Berlin in Somerset County bought the highest seller, first choice of a flush from a Leadman dam and sired by Benchmark, for \$6300. Andrew Stoltzfus of Morgantown made the consignment.

The second highest seller at \$6000 was New Direction Star Birdy-ET, a VG-87 Starbuck three-year-old consigned by Tom McCauley, Elizabethtown. The buyer was Steve Meyers of St. Thomas.

One of several buyers from Maryland, John and Vicki King of Manchester, bought a choice of a flush from a Bellman dam and sired by Duregal Astre Starbuck-ET for \$4300. Dave Rama and Tim Barlow of Cochranville were the sellers.

Dwight Stoltzfus was the overall sale chairman with Jen Trout as his assistant. Other sale committee members from the Dairy Science Club were: Andy Foster, cattle manager; Jennifer Hummel, advertising; Adam Tanis, Cathy Paveleski and Bryan Herring, selections; Kirk Sattazhen, marketing/merchandising; Todd Rabenol, finance; Susan Cadwallader, arena preparation; Susan Bove, reception; and Kara Tussey, publicity. Creedin Cornman was the barn superintendent.

Horace Backus read pedigrees, and Harry Bachman and Mike Welmer were the auctioneers. Ken Raney, William Allen and Bill Nichol of the Pennsylvania Holstein Association and Donald Wek rounded out the sale staff.



Representing the top of the sale are from left, Bill Allen, Pennsylvania Holstein Association, Jen Trout, assistant sale chairperson, Joyce Ringler, buyer, and Dwight Stoltzfus, chairman.

NDB Installs Giacomini

BROOKFIELD, Wis. — The Board since 1989, she currently serves on the Finance and Administration, Advertising and Sales Promotion, and Export Enhancement committees.

With her family, Hemauer milks 80 cows in Plymouth, Wis. She is a member of the Wisconsin and American Holstein Associations, Sheboygan County Dairy Promotion Committee, a county 4-H leader and a founding member of the dairy industry's Butter Task Force.

New Salem, N.D. dairy farmer Robert Gaebe continues his first term as treasurer of the National Dairy Board and chair of the Board's Finance and Administration Committee. He is also a member of the Market and Economic Research Committee.

Gaebe, who milks 100 cows, also serves on the Executive Committee of Land O'Lakes and the Export Committee of National Milk Producers Federation.

The National Dairy Board, comprised of 36 dairy farmers from across the nation, develops and administers a coordinated program of promotion, research and communications to strengthen the dairy industry's position in the marketplace. This effort is financed by America's dairy farmers.

In May, Giacomini started his fourth term as vice chair of the National Dairy Board. He has been a member of the board since 1989 and has served on the Finance and Administration, Public Relations and Export Enhancement committees.

He milks 450 cows in Point Reyes Station, Calif., and he farms 900 acres for pasture and winter forage.

Hemauer will continue her fourth term as secretary. Also a member of the National Dairy



Craig Williams, vice president, Penn State Dairymen's Club, left, presents the 1993 service award to Dean Amick.