

# PFA Changes Name To Pennsylvania Farm Bureau, Recognizes Berks Couple For Distinguished Service

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Township where he lives. He has been a notary public for 23 years and is currently the governmental relations chairman for the Berks County Farmer's Association.

Eckel said, "I personally can't remember ever going to the Washington or the Harrisburg Legislative and not seeing Bill Moore. His relationship with legislators has always amazed me. It is obvious that they hold him in high regard."

Gertrude, too, is active politically. She has served as county chair of the political education committee for 34 years, has worked on many candidates' campaigns, been secretary for the Western Berks Democratic Club for the past 29 years, and served on the election board for Tulpehocken Township for 39 years.

The couple reared three children and were substitute school teachers for many years.

The winner of the All Star County Award, the most prestigious county award, was the Berks County Farmers' Association for excelling in program membership, organization, state legislative and national legislative activities, policy development, and insurance programs.

Edward Hartman, president of the Berks organization, credited the ability of its 1,134 members to maintain the largest county membership in the state to the example of William and Gertrude Moore.

Moore said that he always challenges members to get their money's worth from the membership fee by using the organization. "Use the organization for Freedom to produce," he said.

Several hundred farmers, including 169 voting delegates, charted the course for the statewide farm organization by electing leaders and adopting public policies during sessions held from November 15-17.

During election of officers, PFA delegates re-elected Adams County fruit grower Guy Donaldson to his fourth two-year term as vice president of the organization. State board members elected to represent eight of PFA's 16 districts. Re-elected to two year terms were Curtis Kratz of Souderton, District 3; Roxy Levan of Milton, District 7; Richard Mains of Newville, District 9; Harold Shaulis Jr. of Somerset, District 11; Thomas McIlwain of Spring Church, District 13. Newly elected to the state board are Allen Roszel of Montrose, District 1; Milford Kinsman of Troy, District 5; and Alan Dambach of Fombell, District 15.

Delegates adopted policies on a wide range of public issues including the enforcement powers of humane societies, the Department of Environmental Resources, and re-organization of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Policy was set calling limits and restrictions on the power of private organizations to enforce the state's Cruelty



William and Gertrude Moore accept the Distinguished Service to Agriculture Award from Keith Eckel, right, president of Pennsylvania Farm Bureau.

to Animals Law. Limits include background checks and psychological evaluations of humane enforcement personell the same as municipal police officers. Weapons certification was also recommended before humane agents are allowed to bear firearms.

**Outstanding Young Farmer**  
The Outstanding Young Farmer

Award went to Daniel and Sherri Mains of Newville, Cumberland County.

The Mains operate a 275-cow, 800-acre dairy farm. The couple was honored for their outstanding business and leadership accomplishments achieved before the age of 30. As winners, they will travel to American Farm Bureau's annu-

al meeting in Florida in January to participate in national Young Farmer and Rancher competition. The award included a \$500 cash merit award the Dodge Division of Chrysler Motors, and a \$100 U.S. savings bond.

Mains began farming in partnership with his father, Francis, in  
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