

Smyser Farm Tops York DHIA

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In what has become almost a tradition, the Smyser family's Richlawn Farm claimed a large part of the recognition at the York County Dairy Herd Improvement Association's annual banquet and awards program.

The 74-head registered Holstein herd topped the York DHIA 1993 herd summary lists with an average of 26,353 pounds milk, 813 pounds protein and 886 pounds butterfat. Richlawn Farms, York, is owned and operated by brothers Rodney and Robert Smyser. Top herd in butterfat production was William Myers, Brodbeck's, with 916 pounds butterfat, 22,428 pounds

milk and 706 pounds averaged on the 44-head herd. The lactations-average marked a 146-pound increase over the prior year in butterfat production for the Myers herd.

For their production accomplishments, the Smyser families were also named winners of the Herd Management Award, scoring a total of 109 points, and topping contending Blue Knoll Farms by a single point. Low Somatic Cell Count award again went to the 55-cow herd of Ed and Carolyn Calhoun, Glen Rock.

Blue Knoll Farms, York, operated by Ralph, Howard and Ron Fetrow, was named the most improved herd, over 600-pounds, in protein production. Their 88-cow herd increased in protein

production 66 pounds, from 743 to 809 pounds.

Most improved protein-production herd, under 600-pounds, was the 65-head herd of David and Chris Druck, Airville. Their 70-pound increase raised the herd's protein production average from 507 to 577 pounds.

High 305-day record awards were split among a trio of York County herds. Top milk record award went to the Smyser herd for their JoLynn cow, with lactation of 36,430 pounds. Blue Knoll Farms earned the 305-day protein record honor with Missy, a cow producing 1073-pounds protein. High 305-day butterfat lactation was produced by Rutter Bros.' Dorrie, with a butterfat record of 1367 pounds.



Rodney and Joyce Smyser accepted the several DHIA awards earned by the family's Richlawn Farms. Their awards included high herd for milk and protein, herd management award, high 305-day milk record and high lifetime production records for milk and for butterfat.



Recipients of York DHIA awards include, from left, Leo Rutter, high 305-day butterfat record; Ron and Ralph Fetrow, most-improved protein herd over 600 pounds and high 305-day protein record; and Ed Calhoun, low somatic cell herd award.

The Smyser herd claimed both high lifetime milk and fat production awards with Jane, completing ten lactations with a total of 250,086 pounds milk and 10,117 pounds butterfat.

York DHIA president Gary Thoman, Dallastown, told members that, as of January 1, 1994, new state DHIA by-laws will change the present structure from five to 18 districts. York and Cumberland counties will be combined to form District 10, represented on the state board by current director Neil McCullough of Cumberland County. A delegate system of one delegate to each 40 DHIA farms in a county organization will elect state directors under the new by-laws.

Thoman also reported an upcoming fee increase of about 5.5%, with slightly higher herd and individual cow fees. He noted a state operating loss of \$366,000 last year and the need for fiscal balance of income and expenses. An income increase of one-cent

per cow across the state equals about \$40,000, Thoman added.

David Shenk, regional DHIA manager from Perry County, lauded the York DHIA members and technicians for their accomplishment of being the first county to totally transmit DHIA data electronically.

York County's DHIA technicians were recognized for their dedication to and performance within the state herd testing system. Technicians working within the county, and their years of service, are Marianne Walter, 15 years; Abbe Gore, 14 years; Jean Myers and Donald Messinger, both five years; Carolyn and Clyde Stump, four and one-half years; and Deb Messinger; who also works for Adams County herds, three and one-half years.

Elected to the York County DHIA board of directors for three-year terms were Melvin Marks, Airville, Scott Cooper, Delta, and Ed Calhoun, Glen Rock.

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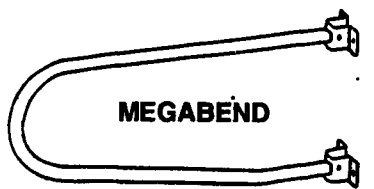
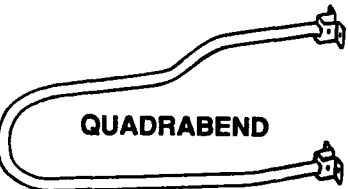
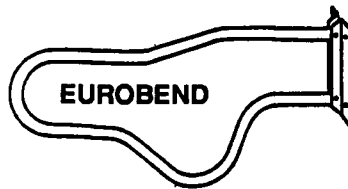
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