## **Bradford County DHIA Dinner Meetings Held**

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of ceremonies for both events. Jasper Smith of Canton, treasurer, also gave his report.

John Wilcox, DHIA state director, gave an update on state affairs as they affect the county groups.

Diane McIlwain, regional manager, gave demonstrations of the new laptop computers which are now in use by the local technicians.



William Houseknecht

Jacob Guffey, Bradford County extension director, said something new is coming to Bradford. A satellite dish has been installed at the extension office and will be used for teleconferences and workshops. This will allow local workshops to receive programs from Penn State and to directly interact with the faculty there. The first scheduled workshop is in February on dairy nutrition. Those interested should contact the extension office.

Amy Van Blarcom, Bradford County dairy princess, addressed the western group. She discussed the talk she usually gives to nonfarm people and, with humor, she related the way these people view the farming community.



In the awards, top honors went to Rob and Donna Van Blarcom of Columbia Crossroads. Their Holstein herd was number one in both milk and protein, 28,752 and 886 pounds respectively. They were also first in Pennsylvania in the milk category.

The Holstein herd at the Scot Lyn Dairy in Rome was first in butterfat (750 pounds), and second in milk, (25,563 pounds).

In the herd management awards, Rob and Donna Van Blarcom topped the list again with 138 points. In second place was the Holstein herd of Pat and Pam Salerno of Sayre with 117 points. The Holstein herd of Randy and Lisa Walker of Wyalusing was third with 107 points.

Top place for low somatic cell count went to Clyde and Greg Seeley of Canton with their Holstein herd.



Scot Crook



John Wilcox, state director, presents production awards to william Brown.

Other current county DHIA officers are Gary Green of Warren Center, vice president, and William Davis of Troy, secretary.

The executive committee is comprised of William Hennip, Gary Green, and Robert Brown of Rome, a director.

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