

# Lancaster Conservation District Reviews Year At Meeting



New directors were elected at a meeting of the Lancaster Conservation District. They are, from left, James E. Huber, Lancaster; Herbert N. Myer, Lampeter; and Robert B. Lauffer, Narvon.

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 — The Lancaster Conservation District implemented Chesapeake Bay projects worth a total of \$344,000 over the course of one year to cooperating farmers, according to Gerald Heistand, bay technician.

Heistand spoke to about 30 agency and industry representatives at the Lancaster County Conservation District meeting at the Stock Yard Inn on Wednesday night.

The district is beginning to implement the new Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources stream bank fencing program, which is 100 percent cost-shared for farmers in the Chesapeake Bay drainage area.

The district also reviewed various projects and plans implemented during the course of the year, with input from various cooperating agencies.

A total of 9,400 acres have been placed in conservation plans, according to Warren Archibald, district conservationist, Soil Conservation Service. About 18 new contracts were implemented in 1993, bringing the total under contract to about 170. In addition, 25 new manure storage structures were installed in 1993, with 15 still in the planning stages.

Archibald said that there is renewed interest by farmers in several experimental rotational grazing projects under way in the county. Also, interest in conservation tillage is picking up.

In the month of December alone, the conservation district signed on six new cooperators, for a total of 223 acres in conservation plans.

Also, new directors were elected at the meeting. They are James E. Huber, county commissioner, Lancaster; Robert B. Lauffer, Garden Spot High School agriscience teacher, Narvon; and Herbert N. Myer, Lampeter.

Scheduled meetings for 1994 include the District Legislative Breakfast, scheduled May 6 at Kreider's Restaurant, Manheim, from 7:30 a.m.-9 a.m. Also, the district banquet is set March 24 at Yoder's Restaurant, New Holland, at 7 p.m.

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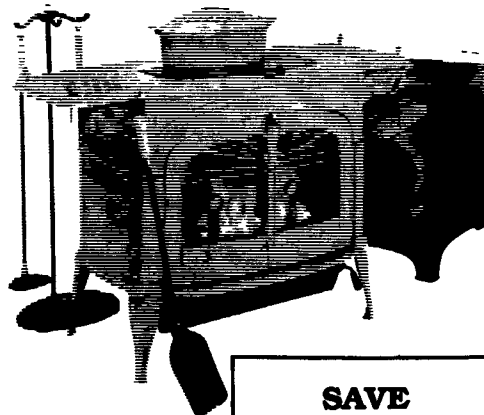
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