

The last five weeks, whether because of economic recovery, the soaring real estate market, or simply the bad weather, prices have been good with strong sales "right across the board," he said.

Also, the future of the price of milk and demand for milk products hinges on what happens regarding bovine somatotropin (BST), which is filled with a "lot of basically unanswered questions," said Dever.

"There are some people out there that don't necessarily believe that technological changes are always a plus," he said. "There are people out there that believe certain technological changes are a minus, and that we should do things differently than we are now."

Regarding the use of BST, Dever said ADC realizes "we don't have a biology problem, we don't have a mastitis problem, we don't have a production problem, or a pricing problem. What we have is a marketing problem, and we're still dealing with that."

Because of the marketing problem, regarding how BST is considered by the consumer (which is "defined," he said, as a female, age 18-34, with 2.2 children), ADC sent out a letter in April 1993 urging members not to use BST. The consumer will make the

final decision on whether BST will be used.

"If she believes that BST represents technological advancement and has no problem with the product, then I will guarantee that BST will be as common on the farm as artificial insemination," he said. "If she believes that BST, though, is a threat to those 2.2 children, then BST will die on the vine and not be a viable benefit."

At the meeting, Rhelda E. Roy-

er, district director, presented an overview on advertising dollars spent. Also, 51 producers received the quality premium during a 12-month period, and one member received the 20 cent bonus. Two members received a 100-point federal rating.

Members of the ADC averaged 2,761 pounds of milk, an increase of 12 percent over 1992 levels. The average member grossed \$122,795 on sales of milk.



Two Dauphin County 4-H'ers who received rewards recently were, from left, Jesse Romberger, Millersburg, and Emily Theurer, Harrisburg.

District 7 elections were held. Of the Donegal local, president-elect is Stephen Hershey and vice president is David Martin. Secretary-treasurer is Jacob Conley. Delegates are Earl Landis and Paul Sauder, and alternates are Homer Hess and David Martin. Hauling representative is Nelson Wenger.

Of the Lititz local, president-elect is Nevin Horning and vice president Darryl Martin.

#### Dauphin County 4-H Goat & Rabbit Club

Recently, Dauphin County 4-H Goat & Rabbit Club held its annual banquet at Hoss's Steak & Seafood House in Hummelstown.

Trophies for best of show, Rabbit, and best doe of show, dairy goat were given for the Dauphin Co. 4-H Fair held at the Farm Show building in August.

Jesse Romberger of Millersburg received the trophy for best of show, rabbit, with one of his New Zealand rabbits. This is the second year in a row that Jesse has won this award. He also had best of show, rabbit, at the 1994 Pennsylvania Farm Show.

This was Jesse's last year as a 4-H member and is attending Penn State, Schuylkill Campus.

The trophy for best doe of show, dairy goat, was awarded to Emily Theurer of Harrisburg for

her Alpine doe. This is also the second year in a row that Emily received this award.

Members receiving 25-year awards included Rhelda Royer, Lancaster; David Martin, Manheim; Paul Sauder, Silver Springs; and Mervin Myers, Mount Joy.

Emily is in seventh grade at Central Dauphin East Junior High School.

## Franklin Extension Directors

CHAMBERSBURG (Franklin Co.) — Five directors were elected to the Franklin County Cooperative Extension Association's board of directors. Elected to a three-year term were Jay Meyers, to represent Antrim Township; Alan Ferry, to represent Fannett Township; Jackie Martin, to represent Greene Township; Gary Besecker, to represent Guilford Township; and David Stoner, to represent Hamilton Township.

There were also four directors appointed at large to three-year terms. They were Judy Lebo, Greencastle, Frances Upperman, Janice Burkholder, both of Chambersburg and Dan Brogdon, St. Thomas.



## Barn Again Exhibition

WASHINGTON, D.C. — An old red barn in the National Building Museum's Great Hall will be the centerpiece of BARN AGAIN!, an exhibition about the history and symbolism of barns in America. The exhibition, organized in collaboration with the National Trust for Historic Preservation, will open at the museum on March 17.

To introduce visitors to barns, the BARN AGAIN! exhibition will begin by exploring the history and construction of barns across America. The barn in the museum's Great Hall, measuring 30'x44', will serve as the entryway into the exhibition. Inside the exhibit, the visitor will be able to examine barn mythology and nostalgia; how social, political, and economic developments affected barns; the various uses of barns; and the future of traditional barns.

BARN AGAIN! will incorporate models and parts of barns to illustrate how barn construction and design is tied to ethnic heritage and changes in the agricultural industry. Contemporary and historic photographs, plans, and posters will be presented to show how new barn types, construction techniques, and materials were promoted. Examples of farm equipment will be included to illustrate how changing farm practices have had an impact on the form and function of barns. The barn as a cultural icon will be explored through an array of popular objects including advertisements, catalogues, art works, movie stills, toys, video films, and food containers.

The museum's barn, from a farm in Eaton Rapids, Michigan, was scheduled to be torn down by its owners because it was no longer safe or cost effective to maintain it.

The exhibition, which opens during National Agriculture Week (March 14-20), will remain on display through September 11. A variety of public programs will complete the exhibition, including a barn raising in the museum's Great Hall on Saturday, March 12, and Sunday, March 13, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The barn raising will culminate with a traditional barn dance on Sunday, March 13, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Also scheduled to take place throughout the six-month run of the exhibition are workshops where visitors can create such items as weathervanes and hex signs; a day-long bus tour of farms in Lancaster County, lectures; and films.

For additional information call the National Building Museum's Public Affairs Office at (202) 272-2448.

The National Building Museum is an educational institution that presents exhibitions and public programs about all aspects of building. The museum is located at 401 F Street NW, at the Judiciary Square Metro Station (Red Line). Museum hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Sundays, noon to 4 p.m.

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