

Moses, Houser To Head State Holstein Board

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GETTYSBURG (Adams Co.)

— Laszlo Moses, Greenville, is the new president of the Pennsylvania Holstein Association, with Jay Houser, Spring Mills, stepping into the vice-president position.

The pair was elected to head the PHA board during the annual meeting, held February 24-26 at the Gettysburg Ramada Inn.

Moses moved up the officer ranks into the key leadership role following a two-year term as vice-president under retiring president, Lewis Berkley, Berlin. He has served as a state Holstein director, national delegate and on numerous state and local committees.

Laszlo and his wife, Lana, operate a 75-head herd of registered Holsteins and Jerseys on their Mercer County farm, where they began dairying in 1966. In addition to feed crops of hay, corn and soybeans, they operate a seasonal retail fruit and vegetable market from their 300 acres of owned and rented land.

The Moses have five children, four daughters and one son, and one grandson. Their son, Peter, a junior at Penn State, plans to return to the family farm.

PHA vice-president Jay Houser was elected to the second-in-command spot after serving a year on the state board of directors. He has been active in Holstein activities for many years, served as a national delegate, and worked with numerous state and local Centre County club activities.

Jay and his wife, Mary, began dairy farming in 1963 and milk a herd of 70-plus registered Holsteins. Their 280 acres of owned and rented land is cropped in hay, corn, soybeans and wheat.

The Housers also have five children, all still involved in agri-

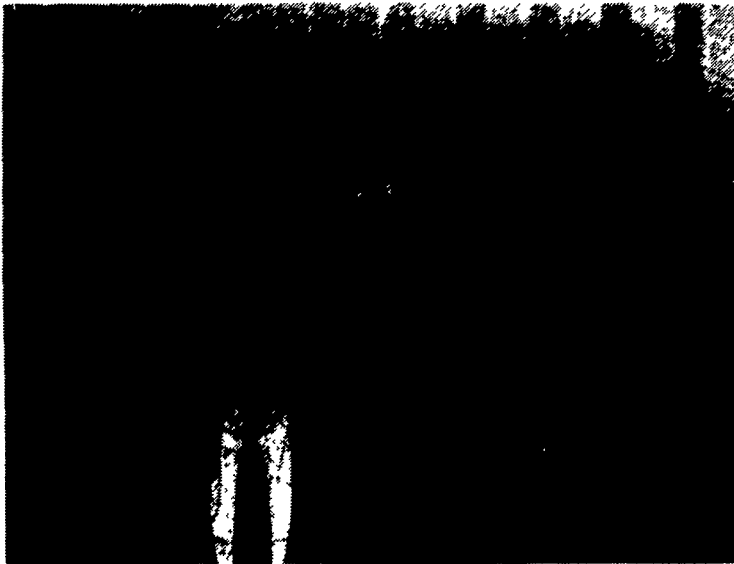


Incoming PHA president Laszlo Moses, left, presented the past president's recognition plaque to Lewis Berkley.

culture to some extent. Two daughters farm with their families, one in Minnesota and one nearby in Centre County. Their son has returned to the family's home farm in Spring Mills and two other

daughters each help part-time in addition to pursuing off-farm careers.

In a caucus following the annual business meeting, PHA directors, delegates and members



Heading up the Pennsylvania Holstein Association for the next two years are from left, seated, president Laszlo Moses, immediate past president Lewis Berkley; standing, treasurer Dean Johnson, executive director Bill Nichol and vice president Jay Houser.

elected to support Ronald Wood, Mansfield, in his candidacy for a seat on the national Holstein board of directors. Wood will make a bid for the board opening to be vacated by current director Thomas Kelly, Tyrone, whose term expires. The election will take place during the 1994 National Holstein Convention in Seattle, Washington, in late June.

Members supported three resolutions offered during the business session, including one which would exempt from emergency travel restrictions vehicles transporting feedstuffs, milk and other farm commodities. That resolution was offered in the wake of travel restrictions placed on trucks during recent winter snow and ice

emergencies.

PHA members elected to show support for the efforts of the Pennsylvania Foundation for Better Living, which implements the Ag In The Classroom teacher-education efforts. A resolution to support the re-election of Obie Snider, Imler, to the Board of Trustees of Penn State was unanimously passed.

Working with other ag-interest groups within the state, PHA will support the Agriculture Agenda, a statement of policy directed at the long-term preservation of viable agriculture in Pennsylvania. The Ag Agenda focuses on four key concerns: profitability, regulations, the environment, and funding for agriculture education and research.

Two Leadman Daughters Top PHA Convention Sale

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— Penn-Gate Leadman Faith, VG-86 at 2 years, topped the Pennsylvania Holstein Convention Sale, selling for \$7900 to Lylehaven Farm, East Montpelier, Vermont.

Consignors of the high-selling two-year-old were Steve and Chris Wood, Penn Gate Farms of Littlestown, who chaired the 1994 annual Pennsylvania Holstein Convention held last week at the Gettysburg Ramada Inn.

The Inn's spacious ballroom was the site of the February 26 convention sale, wrap-up event for the convention activities. A total of 85 head went through the ballroom sale arena, averaging \$2524. Cattle were housed and on display through the convention at Waybright Farms, operated by the

Paul and Mary Waybright family, Gettysburg.

Selling open and ready to flush, Faith carried a contract for \$3500 with Eastern A.I. cooperative. Her 2-01 lactation record projection was a 24,366 milk and 1004 fat, with a 4.1 percent test. She carried a CTPI of +1263.

Faith's Penn-Gate-bred Maternal pedigree includes a VG-86 dam by Eagle, with records over 28,600 milk, a 4.3 fat and 3.4 protein test and CTPI of +1149. Second dam was an EX-92 Enhancer daughter and third dam was a EX-94-4E, Gold Medal, Elevation daughter.

Second high seller was Solid-Gold Lead Lou Ella-ET, also a Leadman daughter, scored VG-86 at three years of age. She sold for \$5900 to NY Wind Ridge Farms, Madison, N.Y. and was consigned

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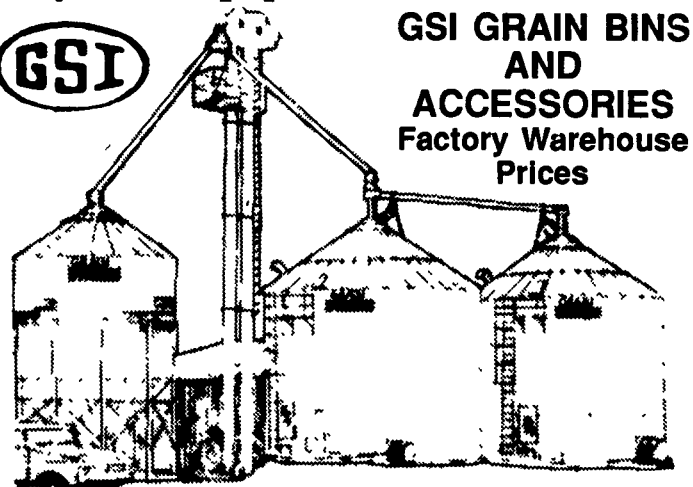
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