## Pennmarva Young Cooperators

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John is a 1979 Damascus High School graduate and a 1983 economics and business administration graduate of Frostburg State College. Julie graduated in 1974 from Williamsport High School. The couple has two children. John and Julie are active members of the Taneytown Baptist Church, Maryland Holstein Association, Farm Bureau and DHIA, where Julie serves on the board.

First runner-up winners were Joseph and Beth Laughlin, Lewistown. Their Beech Run farm is a partnership oberation with his parents. The herd of 43 milking Holsteins has an average of 19,319 pounds milk and 719 fat. Corn. oats, wheat and hay are grown on the 300 acres of cropground. Joe is responsible for the herd breeding program and management decisions are made by the partnership.

A 1975 graduate of Lewistown High School, Joe earned his general agriculture degree from Penn State in 1980. Beth is a 1979 Lock Haven High School graduate and a 1983 forest science graduate from Penn State. In addition to helping on the family farm, she operates her own Christmas tree business. The couple has three children.

Both are active members of the Ellen Chapel Church, Fort Granville Grange and Pennsylvania Farm Bureau. Beth also works with the 4-H and Cub Scout programs. Joe serves on the Mifflin County ag preservation board and the Granville Township ag security advisory board. He has been an Atlantic Dairy delegate, local president and District 18 secretary-treasurer.

Thomas and Shirley Krall, Lebanon, are second runners-up in the Atlantic Dairy contest. Herd average on their 80 Holsteins is 22,000 milk and 805 fat. They are sole owners of their Krall Farm, which includes 80 acres in rye, corn, soybeans and pasture, and make all management decisions.

Tom is a 1977 Cedar Crest High School graduate. Shirley is a 1979 graduate of Palmyra High School and earned her licensed practical nursing degree in 1982 from Lebanon Vo-Tech. The couple has four children.

Activities in which the Krall family is involved include many church and school leadership roles. Shirley is head cook for their church's monthly "Free Meal



in Lebanon" program. Tom is active in the Young Farmers' program, a delegate for Atlantic Breeders Cooperative and secretary for both his Atlantic Dairy Cooperative local and District 7.

Third runners-up are Richard and Elizabeth Morris, Newark, Delaware. Richard manages the dairy herd of the University of Delaware. The 98 head includes cows from five major dairy breeds; Holstein average is 21,233 pounds milk and 809 pounds fat, and colored breed average is 15,133 milk and 629 fat. He is responsible for all herd decisions, supervises employees, implements research projects and helps with teaching labs and crop decisions.

Richard is a 1977 graduate of Gaithersburg High School and earned his dairy science degree (Turn to Page A21)



Maryland and Virginia Milk Producers winning Young Cooperator couples are, front to back, David and Terella Rice; winners; Mark and Lois Yoder, second; Craig and Karen Boyd, third, and Melvin and Barbara Marks, fourth.

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