

Perry Extension Holds Meeting



New Perry County Cooperative Extension board of director members, from left, Michael Brennan, Newport; Peggy Raub, Duncannon; Oscar Campbell, Newport; Kelley Griswald, Millerstown; and Walter Martz, Duncannon.



Penn State Master Gardeners, from left, Michael Brennan, Newport; Kay Cramer, New Buffalo; Virginia Dorwart, McAllisterville; Ginger Stroup, McAllisterville; Joyce Boyer, Newport; and Jolene Hoffman, Shermansdale.

NEW BLOOMFIELD (Perry Co.) — "Don't wait until the Dauphin Narrows are no longer narrow!"

With that statement, Dr. Herb Cole, professor in the College of Agricultural Sciences, challenged those attending the Perry County Extension annual Meeting to plan for the future and manage the development that will be coming to the county.

Cole used examples and slides from other Pennsylvania locations where agricultural and rural interests are currently in conflict with rapidly suburbanizing areas.

Cole stressed the importance of the agricultural land preservation program and agricultural security areas to avoid nuisance ordinances hindering agricultural work in a community.

"A township in southeastern Pennsylvania currently has proposed an ordinance to keep farm equipment off of all roads before 9 in the morning and after 4 p.m. in the evening. Additionally, this township wants to ban all farm equipment from working in the field after 8 in the evening," said Cole. He asked the farmers in the audience a rhetorical question, "Could you operate within these restrictions?"

More than 100 county residents were in attendance to hear Cole speak, and he challenged each of them. "Whether you are a farmer, resident, county commissioner, legislator, township official, or just plain citizen, it is up to you to determine where and how growth will occur in this county. Plan for growth. Plan also to keep your valuable agricultural economy."

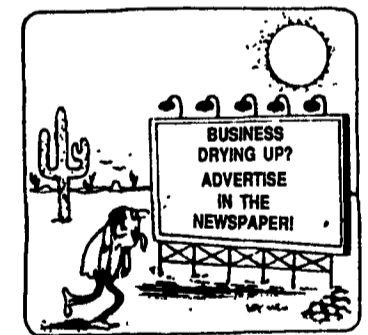
In other business conducted during the meeting, chaired by Extension Board President Brenda Benner, Millerstown, the follow-

ing new board members were elected: Michael Brennan, Newport; Peggy Raub, Duncannon; Oscar Campbell, Newport; Kelley Griswald, Millerstown; and Walter Martz, Duncannon.

Judi Mains, a 4-H member from the Duncannon area, presented her experience at the National 4-H Congress in Chicago last December. Mains not only mentioned the fun and excitement of the experience of meeting other 4-H members from around the nation, but stressed the role the 4-H program has had in her development and preparation for life.

Dave Swartz, county extension director, presented certificates to those individuals completing training in the Penn State Master Gardener Program. Receiving certificates were Kay Cramer, New Buffalo; Jolene Hoffman, Shermansdale; Joyce Boyer, Newport; Michael Brennan, Newport; and Virginia Dorwart and Ginger Stroup, both of McAllisterville.

Other recognitions extended during the evening were the Conservation Farm Cooperator of the Year awards presented by the Perry County Soil Conservation District. Those honored by Conservation District Board Chairman Robert Cauffman, Millerstown; included the James Shutt family, Newport; the Frank O'Toole family, Loysville; the Raymond Shutt family, Newport; and the Perry County Fair Board. All these individuals have installed stormwater control and run-off structures, such as grass waterways, rip-rap along drainage ditches, and tile drainage to control and prevent soil erosion.

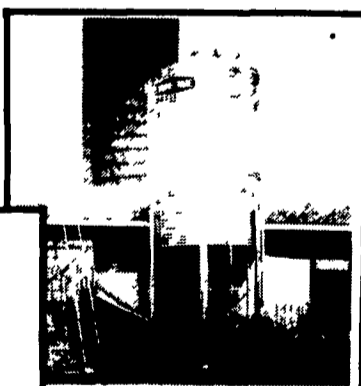


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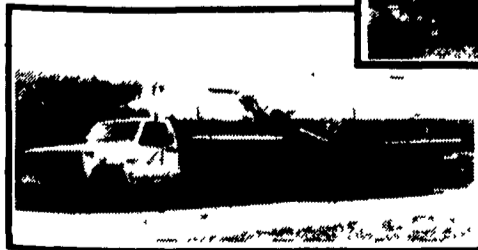
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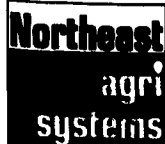


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