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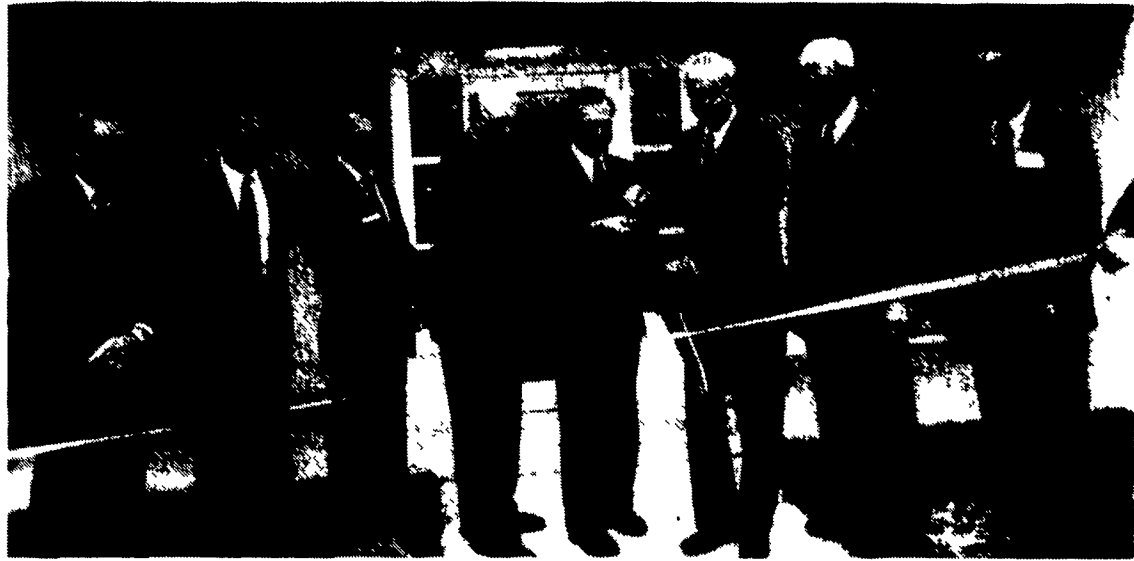
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Penn Staters Celebrate, Reminisce At New \$6 Million Poultry Center Dedication



Ready to cut the ribbon at the new \$6 million Penn State Poultry Education and Research Center are from left, Dave Morrow, David Jannetta, Paul Hann, Boyd Wolff, Joab Thomas, Gov. Robert Casey, Lamartine Hood, and William Weaver. Photo by Everett Newswanger, managing editor.

EVERETT NEWSWANGER
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UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.)—The day of dedication (Thursday) of Penn State University's new \$6 million poultry center became a day of celebration and reminiscing for the crowd of university officials and alumni, governmental representatives, and industry leaders present to see Pennsylvania Gov. Robert Casey and Penn State President Joab Thomas cut the ceremonial ribbon to mark the beginning of a new era of poultry education and research.

The new 50,000 square-foot complex consists of six buildings designed to enable Penn State faculty and students to conduct "cutting edge studies" in support of Pennsylvania's \$500 million poultry industry.

"Good things are worth waiting for," said Dr. William Weaver, head of the poultry science department. "I remember we started discussions in the 1960s but now the waiting is over. It's time to start anew with a facility we are all proud of."

Paul Hann, board chairman of the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation agreed. "I'm excited about what this facility means to present and future Penn State students," Hann said. "And what it means to future employees of these future Penn State graduates, and what it can mean to the consumers and the people who make their living in this exciting and dramatic industry. This is a culmination of 20 plus years of effort by many people. I applaud this accomplishment and

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Students Receive Scholarships To Pursue Ag-Related Careers

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)

"All those years of showing sheep paid off," said Mark Tracy of Elizabethtown. Tracy was referring to the \$1,000 scholarship that he received to pursue his interest in animal bioscience at Penn State University.

His exposure to agriculture through 4-H and helping with farming on the family's 100 acres influenced his choice of studies and enabled him to apply for the Lancaster County Farm and Home Foundation scholarships.

Tracy was one of seven county high school seniors awarded the \$1,000 scholarships on Tuesday night at the Farm and Home Cen-

ter. Recipients must pursue a career in agriculture or home economics, and must excel scholastically, in leadership, and in extracurricular activities.

The scholarship monies are derived from the trust fund set up by the late Elmer L. Esbenshade, 29 years ago. The number of scholarships given varies from year to year depending on the interest earned from the trust.

Recipients of the \$1,000 scholarships include the following:

Jeffery Balmer, the son of Nancy Balmer of Lititz, is a Warwick High School student. He plans to study agribusiness at Penn State.

Jeffrey said his career decision

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Recipients of \$1,000 scholarships from the Lancaster County Farm and Home Foundation, seated from left, are Lora Shelton, Kristen Groff, Mark Tracy, and Jeffrey Balmer. Standing, from left, are Amy Espenshade, Debra Fisher, and Marcia Harnish.

SRBC Proposes Rules For Water Project Review

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.)—Those agricultural producers within the Susquehanna River Basin who run large livestock operations and "consume" more than 20,000 gallons of water per day, and those who irrigate crops using at least the same amount of water may be required to make up the difference.

That's if a final draft of proposed rules governing water use in the basin eventually becomes law.

The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (SRBC) last week approved a draft of proposed rules which seek to reorganize, consolidate and provide consistency among a series of rules that the multi-state-pact commission uses to review water-use projects in the Susquehanna River Basin.

The approval of the regulations

for proposal was made by the SRBC during its most recent meeting, held May 12 at the Treadway Inn, in Owego, N.Y.

As part of those proposed rules, those in the basin who "consume" a certain amount of water, and are in a position to continue to need to do so during drought conditions, will be forced to "compensate" the agency for the water.

"Compensation" in this case is not specifically defined, but will relate to how the commission can be assured that adequate water flows will continue to be available in the river for emergency and life-supporting needs, and environmental stability.

Compensation could be in the form of a storage pond, or lake, or it could be in the form of cash. The cash rate, if that method is determined by the water user to be the

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While the frame rises behind them, three generations of the T. Edwin Johnson family pause for a brief moment on a hectic and grateful day of barn-raising. From left, Eddie Johnson, daughter Abbe Gore, granddaughter Amanda Schott, and daughter Edwina Shoff. See story on page A34.