

The Tim and Kathy Sturgeon family pose in this several-year-old summer setting photograph taken at McConnell's Mill, with a pair of show Holstein helfers. From the left, Thad Sturgeon holds the halter of McKarns Mark Sofie, currently an Excellent 91 EE member of the milking string with three sons in AI, as Blane kneels with Ski the family dog, and Wade holds the halter of his 88 point Melvin daughter. Tim says attending the Dairy Management And Profitability educational workshops has made a great difference in the way he conducts his business. See story on page A36.

## More To Sell, But No Change In This Year's Top Tobacco Price



ANDY ANDREWS Lancaster Farming Staff PARADISE (Lancaster Co.) — The county's number one cash crop went on the auction block at 10:05 a.m. on Monday, starting at \$1.20 per pound and climbing quickly to a top price of \$1.25 per Auction. The top price was unchanged from last year.

About 80 sellers followed Mitch "Snake" Ashby, from North Carolina, as he called off prices to about eight buyers from across the country.

About 175 tobacco growers



The sales barn was filled to capacity with about 450,000 pounds of tobacco at the start of the sale.

pound, during opening day of the season at the Paradise Tobacco

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## A Farm Perspective Adds To Professional Achievements

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The least-told stories about those who hold public office involve the human ones showing hurt from public insults and scrutiny but display joy when revealing the real benefits of concern for fellow people.

Such is the story of Pennsylvania's retiring Agriculture Secretary Boyd Wolff.

At the 1987 Farm Show, when

Gov. Robert Casey, starting his first term, announced that Wolff would be his cabinet choice, the barn smell was still on the new ag secretary's boots. Wolff had just sold his family farm one week earlier.

Suddenly the demands of his registered Holstein cows and the whims of the weather no longer ruled his life. Political protocol and partisan posturing became the gauge of how this transplanted

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