

## DPI Fund Drive Successful

GEORGETOWN, Del. — Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. (DPI), the nonprofit trade association working for the continued progress of Delmarva's poultry industry, exceeded its 1995 Fund Drive goal with cash and pledges totaling \$497,040.

That news was announced by Fund Drive Chairman Dr. Spangler Klopp at the April 25 Delmarva Poultry Booster Banquet in Salisbury, Md.

Klopp told the nearly 2,000 DPI supporters his job was made easy due to the dedicated team of fund drive volunteers, loyal members who have supported DPI over the years, and new members who recognize the important work done by DPI.

The annual fund drive is DPI's means of raising money to support its many services and programs. DPI's member ship consists of nearly 4,000 individuals and companies, including poultry growers, allied industry suppliers of products and services, Delmarva's seven poultry companies, poultry company employees, and hund-

reds of non-poultry businesses on Delmarva which recognize the economic importance of the industry to this area.

The booster banquet was also the occasion at which DPI presented awards to Delmarva's outstanding poultry growers and to three individuals who have made significant contributions to the poultry industry.

The DPI Medal of Achievement, awarded annually to a public servant of an agency or an organization for outstanding achievement and service on behalf of the poultry industry, was presented to Dr. Edward T. Mallinson, extension poultry veterinarian, Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine, University of Maryland at College Park. During his long and distinguished career with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the University of Maryland, Mallinson has been the author of countless articles, books, chapters in books, and other university publications. He has spoken to scores of audiences about poultry

health issues. He is one of the leaders in the United States in poultry disease prevention and biosecurity programs.

Delmarva's Distinguished Citizen Award, given in recognition of a person's work on behalf of DPI, the poultry industry, and the community, was presented to Donald J. Lynch of Selbyville, Del. Lynch, a long-time member of the DPI board of directors, served as DPI president in 1989. He is a member of DPI's Poultry Health Committee and has been an active fund drive volunteer. He has been involved with Delmarva's poultry industry all his working life and was the founder of a local vaccine manufacturing company. He is a former member of the Delaware General Assembly, Indian River Board of Education, and the Fenwick Island town council. He served as secretary of the Delaware Department of Agriculture in the 1980s. Lynch is a member of the University of Delaware board of trustees and the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

Special recognition was awarded to the late Edgar M. Morris of Parsonsburg, Md., a long-time DPI director and grower committee member. Morris was honored for his leadership in representing growers on the DPI board of directors and DPI Grower Committee.

Other banquet honorees included 19 poultry growers selected by their companies as outstanding producers for 1995. They were presented silver Revere bowls by DPI President Douglas K. Marvil and Grower Committee chairman Kay R. Richardson. Receiving the awards were, from Delaware: B & D Egg Ranch, Seaford; Bruce & Pat Clark, Kenton; Paul & Diane Holston, Millsboro; Mike Hudson, Frankford; James & Doris Larimore, Harrington; R. Dale & Evelyn Short, Frankford; Ronald & Audrey Tyndall, Seaford; and William & Janice Vickers, Millsboro. From Maryland: Howard & Barbara Bishop, Berlin; Paul & Doris Brittingham, Parsonsburg; Maynard & Mary Hostetler, Snow

Hill; Vivian C. & M. Burris Merrill, Pocomoke City; Sandy Moore, Salisbury; Chas Nau Jr., Kennedyville; and Zhian T. Tavakoli, Stevensville; Myrtle Truitt & Michael Truitt, Berlin; Susan & Herb Watson, Pocomoke City; Wintergreen Farm, Inc., Snow Hill. From Virginia: Ben & Phyllis Thomas, Atlantic.



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