



All the Dairy of Distinction winners get together for a large family photograph on the barn hill at Ag Progress Days. The farm beautification program

honored 35 farms this year in Pennsylvania to bring the 10-year total to over 600 farms so honored.

Dairy Of Distinction Winners Meet

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ROCKSPRING (Centre Co.) — Farm family winners in the Dairy of Distinction program for Pennsylvania met Tuesday afternoon at Ag Progress Days. A short honors program was held and everyone had a chance to visit with other dairy farmers from many different counties.

directly promotes the dairy industry.

"We have a product that is so versatile that it is accepted by all ages, including children, young adults, teenagers and senior citizens," Sonnen said. "Milk is something that can be promoted in the schools without any negative input from teachers or administrators or parents."

"It's a challenge to keep a farm looking beautiful. There is always something happening to distract. But these winners have learned how to manage to overcome challenges and keep the farm beautiful. Much of the public is unaware of the ability and efficiency of the dairy farmer and the dairy industry. The Dairy of Distinction program enhances consumer confidence and credibility of the dairy industry."

Winning farms this year by district are:

District 11: Ronald L. Burchfield, Conneaut Lake.

District 12: Dale & Paula Wack, Harmony; Wesley R. Diehl, Beaver Falls; Marze Wearing, Evans City.

District 13: Kent Kenyon, Couersport; Randy L. Whitman, Cocranon; Jay H. Houser, Spring Mills.

District 14: David Lemmon, Markleton; Edward W. and Todd E. O'Brein, Somerset; Brian W. and Blake L. Beeghly, Somerset; Richard D. and Maynard L. Saylor, Rockwood; Curtis & Donna Brant, Harrisonville; Earl J. & Carol S. Hendershot, Warfordsburg; Ted, Roger W. and David Latuch, Rockwood; Don Stonerook, Martinsburg; Sollenberger Farms, Curryville.

District 16: John W. Rishel, Mifflinburg; Marlin Leshner, Pitman.

District 17: Michael & Nadine Molyneux, Forksville; Daryl & Susie Krotzer, Liberty.

District 18: Lloyd & Denise Pease, Susquehanna; Mark Tompkins, Montrose; Sandra & Edward Kelley, Montrose.

District 19: Nevin S. Horning, Lititz; D.G. Kauffman/J.E. Kreid-

er, Lancaster; Samuel E. Beiler, Gordonville; Marvin R. or Ruth Stoltzfus, Leola; Johnathan or Miriam Stoltzfus, Jr., Ronks.

District 20: Larry K. Bauscher, Lenhartsville; Dan Rice, Kempton; Kenneth Sanner, Kutztown; Karl Herr, Oxford; Eugene Martin, Lebanon; John B. Kline, Myerstown; Raymond Kleintop, Jr., Danielsville.

As usual, a large color portrait of each farm was on display. These photographs are taken by the local committee and the large prints are supplied by *Lancaster Farming*.

Rebecca Sonnen, MAMA representative, was the guest speaker. She said that everyone in the dairy industry realizes the importance of the appearance of our farms. But Dairy of Distinction winners have taken this a step further by making attractive farms a priority. This

Learn To Control Feed Costs

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — With the recent rise in feed costs and forecasts of no relief in sight, farmers need to explore ways to control feed costs.

Penn State Cooperative Extension and Penn Ag Industries is sponsoring a meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 27, to discuss hedging con-

cepts as a way to control feed costs.

The meeting starts at 1 p.m. at the Farm and Home Center, Lancaster, will feature Lou Moore and Dr. Jim Dunn from Penn State.

Lou Moore will discuss current feed grain situations and outlook for 1997. Dunn will explain ways farmers may use the futures market and options to hedge their feed costs.

For more information, contact the Lancaster County Cooperative Extension Office at (717) 394-6851.

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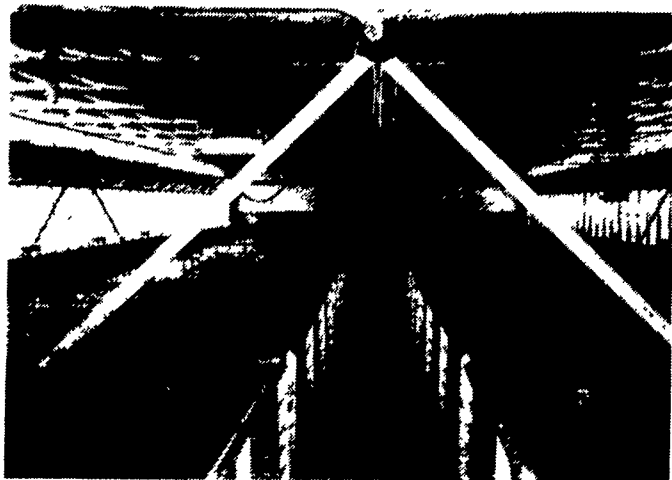
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