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Sustainable Ag Honors Boop, Holds Conference

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STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — Members and friends of the Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture (PASA) met last week at the Nittany Lion Inn, University Park, for their 6th annual Farming For The Future Conference. Day one of the two-

day event ended with the awards banquet where the group honored Preston Boop of Mifflinburg with the Fifth Annual PASA Leadership Award.
Described a true leader in sustainable agriculture, Boop has served as the organization's president for the past five years. He and his family operate their 200-acre
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Described as a real voice for sustainable agriculture, Preston Boop accepts the PASA leadership award from Tim Bowser, right. They are joined by Preston's wife Wanda.

Silage Conference Plays To Sold-Out Crowd

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HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.) — Almost 400 people attended a sold-out conference on silage held by the Northeast Regional Agricultural Engineering Service (NRAES) this week at the Hershey Lodge and Convention

Center.
At least 75 additional people — speakers, presiders, and those providing administrative help — also were present for the three-day event which presented at least 36 speakers covering topics ranging — as the title of the con-
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Pork Producers May See 'Salvation' In Exports

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NORTH CORNWALL (Lebanon Co.) — The U.S. hog industry is slowly recovering from the devastating days a few years ago of 29-cent-per-pound hog prices. How?
Exports.
According to a Penn State economist, 12 percent of all meat produced in the country is exported to other countries, including Russia, China, Japan, and Hong Kong.

This "salvation" of producers has come about, the economist indicated, because the U.S. now has become a big exporter of meat.
According to H. Louis Moore, Penn State economist, half of the chicken we export goes to the former Soviet Union. Seventy percent of all the food they eat in the republic of Russia is imported from the West.
The Russians spend \$12 billion a year on food imports alone —
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In the Keystone Pork Bowl Contest, Lebanon County took home first place honors, beating Berks County 160-135. Lebanon County members, from left, Blaine Brown, Katie Lefever, Jason Shirk, Jeremiah Arnold, and coach John Risser.



Five-Acre Corn Contest first-place winners were named last week at the Corn and Soybean Conference held in Grantville. They are, from left, Larry Moyer, Mertztown, first place shelled grain class, regular harvest size; Gary Fehnel, Easton, first place, three-year average awards, ear corn, machine harvest; Richard Kreider, Lebanon, shelled grain class, 3-acre+ harvest size; Jack Coleman, Ronks, first place, shelled grain, 3-acre+ harvest size; Clarence Fehnel, Easton, first place, shelled grain class, regular harvest size, machine harvest; John Crist, Jersey Shore, first place ear corn class, hand harvest; and Mark Crist, first place three-year average, ear corn class, regular harvest size. Please turn to Page A22 for a full report on the Corn and Soybean Conference.

Editor's note: Also watch for our special "Corn Talk" section next week, with on-farm interviews, news from the Pennsylvania Corn Growers Association, management reports from Extension, and messages from our advertisers.

Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Convention Photo Report



These Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Association members each received \$1,000 scholarship awards at the association's convention in Reading last weekend. They are, from left, Allison Martin, Jennifer Davis, and Kimberly Miller. For a photo report of all the award winners, turn to page C6.