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Hillmont Farms, Berlin, operated by Jay and son Kirk Hillegass, care for three separate farms in all, according to Tine, wife of Kirk. Tine said the dairy milks 110 allregistered Holstein and cares for an additional 150 young stock. They use a double-8 herringbone parlor and ship to Galliker's Dairy, Johnstown. They make use of a computerized feed system and have been using a TMR for eight years, said Tine. The initial farm has been in the fami-

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years. Kirk farms with Tine and three children, Juliana, 14; Luther, 8; and Alec, 6. Also, Jessica Coddington, 18, helps on the farm part-time. The long-term goal of the dairy is to "transition from a partnership to a single owner," said Tine. To be successful, today's dairy producer "has to be an excellent manager," she said.

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