

Lebanon Holstein Club Holds Awards Banquet

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ONO (Lebanon Co.) — Lebanon County Holstein Club held its annual banquet Oct. 30 at the Ono Fire Hall, in Ono, recognizing member and junior member achievements.

Kirby Horst of Newmanstown presided, while Jeff Hostetter, vice president, did introductions and presented the youth awards. Hostetter is also chairman of the club's Youth Committee.

There were 135 adults and 20 youth in attendance. Entertainment was provided by the Singing Millers.

Club state director Reid Hoover talked about state programs and deadlines for dues.

David Lentz, originally from Lebanon County, now a regional representative for Holstein USA, spoke to his past home club about changes in national programs and marketing potential. He currently resides in Perry County.

Kenneth Raney, director of the Pa. Holstein Association, also addressed the audience and talked briefly about the state programs, shows and opportunities for marketing.

Three members were elected to the board of directors — Alan Hostetter, Scott Nolt, and Jay Weaver.

In other business, Hostetter announced that former county dairy princess Alisha Myers was the recipient of the club's 1997 scholarship.

A student at Penn State studying dairy and animal science, she was unable to be present to receive the award. She received the \$500 post-secondary scholarship to help continue her studies.

Though she didn't grow up on a dairy farm, she became active in dairy and the Junior Holstein Association, 4-H, FFA, and worked for Sonnylee Holsteins, and at Trout Springs Farm.

She was a member of the dairy bowl team and also served in various leadership positions.

In other recognitions, in the youth production awards, Kendra Reist had the top 2-year-old for milk production. Her Ken-Joda Peticote Ambro made 26,391

pounds of milk, and was second for fat with and second for protein.

Kendel Reist had the top 2-year-old for fat production. His Q Ken-Joda Nick Tiffany made 1,106 pounds of fat.

The top 2-year-old for protein production was Amanda Martin's Promise Lane K&B Emily, with

3.4 percent, or 819 pounds protein.

Among youth with 3-year-olds, Kendel Reist's Ken-Joda Delight Antsy was first for milk and protein with 32,009 pounds of milk. Timothy Getz had the high fat-producing Holstein, Autumn Mist Starbuck Elyse.

There were no 4-year-olds entered in the contest.

Among the 5-year-old or older Holsteins owned by Junior members, Kendra Reist's Ken-Joda Holly was first in all three categories, with 31,932 pounds milk, 1,161 pounds of fat, and 937 pounds of protein. Todd Getz's entry was a close second in fat production with 1,160 pounds.

In other news, Jeff Hostetter said that, in youth activities, the evening before the county sale a mock auction was held on 15 head of the animals that would be later sold.

He said that each participant was "given" \$2,000 to use in the mock auction and were permitted to form syndicates. He said that the youth enjoyed the educational "game" and that their average price was not too far from the prices that resulted from the next day's sale.

The county dairy bowl program continues to be strong. Duane Nolt, coach of the dairy bowl team, presented achievement awards to members of the two junior and two senior county teams. Nolt said that the teams competed well at states, though competition was stiff.

The teams began practices Oct. 27, and are looking for those interested to join. Interested youth or their parents should call Nolt or Hostetter.

According to Nolt, Hannah Bomgardner was named outstanding first year dairy bowl member, while Heather Oberholtzer was named outstanding member overall.

In adult member awards, Leba-



Lebanon County Junior Holstein members receive awards for high production from their registered Holsteins. From the left is Amanda Martin, Todd Getz, Timothy Getz, Chris Wagner, and Bradley Hoover.



Lebanon County dairy bowl team members receive certificates of achievement. From the left is Bradley Hoover, Justin Troutman, Andrea Bashore, Todd Getz, and Amanda Martin, and coach Duane Nolt.

non County recognizes herd BAA achievements. The contest requires a minimum of 25 cows in the herd, and they must have scored from August 1996 to September 30, 1997.

First place winner was Kirby and Cheryl Horst, of Newmanstown, who have a 109.2 BAA on their 45-head registered herd.

Second place went to Scott and Karen Nolt, of South Annville

Township, who served as host for the county club's annual field night.

In third was Juvindale Holsteins, owned by Juliet and Vincent Wagner, of Myerstown.

Pennsylvania Dairy Futures Conference Comes To State College

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Dairy producers, processors, distributors and other professionals in dairy-related businesses can get a glimpse into the economic future of the dairy industry at the 1997 Pennsylvania Dairy Futures Conference, Dec. 10-11, at the Days Inn Penn State in State College, Pa.

The two-day program begins at 11:30 a.m. with a luncheon, followed by a series of presentations from dairy experts.

Bill Eby, editor of the Kiplinger Agricultural Newsletter, will talk on "Dairy Policy in the New Millennium — A View from Washington."

Robert Yonkers, assistant professor of agricultural economics in Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences, will speak on "State and National Trends and Tools for Risk Management."

The individual presentations

will be followed by mini-profiles of successful Pennsylvania dairy producers, and by a brief annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Dairy Stakeholders, a newly formed group that is sponsoring the conference. Other sponsors include Penn State's Department of Dairy and Animal Science, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry.

After dinner, David Hettinga, vice president of corporate research for Land O'Lakes Inc., will speak on "Designing Future Dairy Products."

On Dec. 11, the conference will open with remarks by Samuel E. Hayes, Pennsylvania Secretary of Agriculture, followed by two presentations by dairy experts.

The first presentation, "Food Industry Trends: Evolution and Revolution," features John Lord, chair of the Department of Food

and Marketing in the College of Business Administration at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia.

The final speaker will be Monte Hemenover, director of industry affairs for Protiva, a division of Monsanto. His topic is "A Perspective on the Future of the Dairy Industry."



Director Elections
Jay Mylln, Manager

Lancaster DHIA is divided into five (5) director districts to serve the membership. Each district has three (3) directors elected to a three (3) year term. Ballots have recently been mailed to all the members. Please vote and return your ballot to the office in the return envelope or give it to your Technician. All ballots must be

returned before the banquet on December 9th. If you have any questions contact our office or your Technician.
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The registration deadline for the conference is Nov. 11.

Rooms are being held at the Days Inn Penn State. Call (800) 325-2525 to make a room reservation.

The registration fee is \$85, and checks should be made payable to

in the barns and silos filled, thus a good time to balance the ration with the help of your nutritionist. With low milk prices, a well balanced ration can increase milk and keep feed prices in line. The average M.U.N. in the herds we test run 14.8. Work with your feed consultant to help interpret this data.