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The Osborns with Queen-Acres Boomer Celeste, EX 90, who recently set a new U.S. production record. From left to right: Sharon and Jim Osborn, Celeste, Debbie Osborn, and Rebecca Lippy. In front is Amber Lippy.

## Maryland Jersey Sets U.S. Production Record

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KEYMAR, Md. — A Jersey from the herd of Jim and Sharon Osborn and family, Queen Acres farm, set a new U.S. production record with a 6-year, 7-month record of 365-day, 3x, 38,030 milk, 4.6% 1732 fat, 3.5% 1333 protein. Queen-Acres Boomer Celeste, EX 90, a homebred Soldierboy Boomer Sooner of CJF daughter, was fresh a year at the end of July, and

is still making 100 pounds of milk a day, according to the Osborn's daughter Debbie.

The farm, near Keymar, is a family operation involving Jim and Sharon and their daughters Debbie Osborn and Rebecca Lippy. Another daughter, Sarah Welty, is an ag teacher. They currently milk 157 Jerseys and a half-dozen other dairy cows, including sever-

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## Housing Expo Draws Large Crowd

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NORTH CORNWALL (Lebanon Co.) — One expert says that although multisite production will be the future of the hog industry, segregated early weaning (SEW) systems won't be a magic bullet to

prevent swine disease.

If producers want to implement segregated site production, they have to carefully consider the ventilation systems, the feed and water, and the medication program, according to John Chapman,

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## Brosius Receives Pa. Farm Bureau Distinguished Service Award

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HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.) — The Pennsylvania Farm Bureau named Charles Brosius, former state agriculture secretary, the recipient of its distinguished service award Tuesday evening during its annual member recogni-

tion banquet at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center.

Brosius and his wife Jane, of West Grove in Chester County, were presented with the award before an audience of hundreds of PFB members, state legislators, and other guests.

The PFB's 47th annual meeting

was held from Nov. 17-19 at the Hershey Convention Center. The meeting serves the organization in its policy development, organizational operations and member education efforts.

Over several days, delegates voted during several sessions on up to 120 policy suggestions.

The PFB also held a number of workshops and educational programs during the week covering topics that ranged from educated projections on the future of the dairy industry and what impacts it

may have on producers, to food safety in the home, estate planning, and electric power deregulation.

Other events included an opening luncheon featuring state Secretary of Agriculture Samuel Hayes Jr. as speaker; several board meetings; its Young Farmers & Ranchers program meetings and a fund-raising auction; marketing cooperative annual meeting; as well as recognition of high sales with the Nationwide Insurance Enterprise, a separate entity sponsored by PFB.

In presenting the PFB Distinguished Service Award to Brosius, PFB President Guy Donaldson talked about the involvements of Brosius with the Penn State Board of Trustees (he had to step down to accept the position of agriculture secretary), work on behalf of the mushroom industry and his own profitable family mushroom farming business.

Brosius has a degree in dairy science from Penn State in 1952, and developed a high-producing

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## Farmers Named To Policy Committee

**EVERETT NEWSWANGER**  
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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — Five dairymen were elected to the new Land O'Lakes policy and resolution committee at the first fall eastern regional meeting at the Holiday Inn Lancaster Host Wednesday. They are Donald Bergey, Millville; Nelson Habecker, Lancaster; Walter Martin, New Holland; Jeff Moore, Centreville, Maryland, and Elvin Rohrer, Cochranville.

The new committee was formed as a result of the Land O'Lakes and

Atlantic Dairy Cooperative merger earlier this year to form a national cooperative organization representing more than 7,000 producers and 8 billion pounds of annual milk production.

Citing a market which saw record high milk and commodity cheese prices last fall, followed by six-year lows this summer, Jack Gherty, president and chief executive officer, attributed ongoing dairy price volatility to a combination of decreased demand, increased milk production, and the

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## Deadlines Change For Thanksgiving

The Lancaster Farming office will be closed Thursday, November 27 in observance of Thanksgiving Day. News and advertising deadlines for that week are as follows:

• Public sale ads — Noon, Monday, 11/24.  
• Mailbox markets — 5 p.m.,

Friday, 11/21.

• General news — Noon,

Wednesday, 11/26

• Section D ads — 5 p.m.,

Tuesday, 11/25.

• Farm equipment ads — 9

a.m., Wednesday, 11/26.

• All other classified ads — 5

p.m., Wednesday, 11/26.



Nurse Jane Zimmerman monitors Jim Wivell's home recuperation period in his Maryland farm home following his open heart surgery. A dairy farm daughter, Jane compares notes with Jim on calf-raising, one of his continuing jobs on the family's dairy operation. In a salute to November Home Health Care Month, several farm families share how home health care allows a person to live at home while recuperating from major illnesses. Turn to page B2.