

Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association Meets In Bedford

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BEDFORD (Bedford Co.) — Two new members were elected to the Pennsylvania Guernsey Walk of Fame at the Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association annual awards banquet program.

Raymond and Louise Witmer, of 1323 Beaver Valley Pike, Willow Street, now retired, were active in numerous dairy and Guernsey organizations, farmed 130 acres, and milked a large herd of Guernseys.

Jan Harding, Clarion, also retired, farmed, ran a dairy store and a Guernsey restaurant.

This award, according to Jim Trotter, business manager for the Guernsey association originated in the state of Oklahoma where there is a huge brick Guernsey "Walk of Fame." The Pennsylvania nominees will have engraved bricks in Oklahoma as well as in Pennsylvania. Each also received a plaque.

Aaron Gable, New Enterprise, showed the champion at the Pennsylvania junior dairy show, and took home the George W. Snyder award from Friday's banquet.

The Snider-Homestead Farm was also awarded the John Brachman award for having shown the grand champion at the 1998 Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Production awards went to Lyle and Laureen Wright for high herd for milk in 1997. Twelve cows in the Wright herd produced 18,466 pounds of milk with 779 fat and 629 protein.

Rutter Brothers won the high herd for fat in 1997 award. They had 30 cows which produced 18,539 pounds of milk with 836 fat and 652 protein.

The high herd for protein in 1997 went to Lindenhof Farm for 78 cows producing 18,376 pounds of milk with 817 fat and 658 protein.

The top cow for milk and protein in 1997 was Trotacre Magic Lucy from the Trotacre Farm. She produced 31,260 pounds of milk with 1,146 fat and 1021 protein.

The top cow for fat in 1997 was won by Rutter Brothers Penders Winnie from Rutters Brothers Farm. The top cow produced 23,345 pounds of milk with 1,214 fat and 900 protein.

1997 open All Pennsylvania awards went to Warwick Manor Fayette Sasha owned by Elsie Wolff and Kevin Stoltzfus, Quarryville, for the junior heifer calf.

Intermediate heifer calf: Twin Brook Jordan Denby, owned by Patty McMurray, Bentleyville.

Senior heifer calf: Sniders Fayette Kortney, owned by Jan Snider of New Enterprise.

Summer yearling heifer: Misty Meadows Jasper Melita owned by Beth Anne Clark, Bedford.

Junior yearling heifer: Liseter Farm V Sparkle, owned by Scott & Elsie Wolff, Quarryville.

Intermediate yearling heifer: Misty Meadows Enhancer Sousa, Beth Anne Clark, Bedford.

Senior yearling heifer: Liseter Farm Fayette Rose, Kevin Stoltzfus, New Holland.

Junior two-year-old: Sniders Illus Abalene owned by Kristi Snider, New Enterprise.

Senior two-year-old: Hi Field Fury Charity owned by Kristy Guyer, Derry.

Junior three-year-old: Twin Brook Magic Bobbin, Justin McMurray, Reading.

Senior three-year-old: Great Hill Perfecto Inca, Amy Liggett, Enon Valley.

Four-year-old: Tomahawk Claim Magic Daisy, Eric Poole, Tarrs.

Five-year-old and over: Sniders Magic Satin, Kristi Snider, New Enterprise.



Jan Harding receives Walk of Fame honors.



Louise and Raymond Witmer were presented with the Walk of Fame award at the Pennsylvania Guernsey Association meeting.

Dry cow, four-years-old & under: Sniders Opp Georgie, Jan Snider, New Enterprise.

Dry cow, five years old & over: Sniders Fayette I Century, Aaron Gable, New Enterprise.

Best bred & owned All Penn-

sylvania: Misty Meadows, Jasper Melita, Beth Anne Clark, Bedford.

Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Association officers include: Rodney Stuff, president, Mercersburg; Patty McMurray, vice presi-

dent, Eighty Four; Elsie Wolff, secretary, Quarryville; and Jim Trotter, business manager, Enon Valley.

A Guernsey craft auction held following the banquet brought in \$3,800.

Top Cow Brings \$4,000 At Guernsey Sale

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BEDFORD (Bedford Co.) — A Guernsey cow owned by Kristy Guyer of Derry, was purchased by Dick and Judy Whalen of Millroad, New York for \$4,000 at the annual Guernsey Blue Halter/Guernsey Golden Calves, and added consignments sale held April 25 at the Bedford County Fairgrounds.

Second highest bid cow was owned by Bernetta Snider of New Enterprise and went for \$2,500 to John Fudge of Gamalie, Kentucky.

Sixteen calves in the Blue Hal-

ter sale brought a total of \$22,275 for an average of \$1,392.18, up from last year's \$1,046.66 with 15 calves.

Guernsey Golden Calf sale had a \$4,700 total bid for three head averaging \$1,566. This was up from last year's \$1,316.66 average also bid on three calves.

The total added consignment sale was \$12,350 bid for 11 head with an average of \$1,122.72. Last year's consignment sale had 28 head with an average of \$1,244.64.

"Overall, it was a good sale and a good annual meeting," said Jim Trotter, Guernsey business manager.



Present to receive their 1997 open All-Pennsylvania production awards were, from left, standing, Kristy Guyer, Beth Clark, Kristi Snider, Amy Liggett, Elsie Wolff, and Patty McMurry. Seated, Eric Poole, Jan Snider, Kevin Stoltzfus, and Aaron Gable.



Accepting production awards are from left, Kevin Stoltzfus for Rutter Brothers; Dave Trotter with Abby, Bethany, Cara, and Travis, for Trotacre; and Elsie Wolff for Lindenhof Farm.

