Lancaster Holstein Association Reviews Year, Honors Members

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- More than 70 members and staff of the Lancaster County Holstein Breeders Association assembled at the Farm and Home Center here Tuesday night to present awards, report on the club's activities, and elect new directors.

State membership is required for county membership. Lowell Brubaker, president, said they

have 350 members and the association's membership drive continues through the last Monday in January.

Rick Hess, treasurer, noted the Corn Maze, held at the Jack and Donna Coleman farm, Strasburg, has become the association's biggest fundraiser, replacing the cheese sale a couple of years ago. At the Corn Maze, "we had a blast," he said. "It was fun. It's a lot of work, it keeps you on your toes,

but it is fun going in and visiting nonfarm folks from out of the

Income from the maze totalled \$2,561.55 with expenses of \$393.09 for a net profit of \$2,168,46.

For the annual Holstein show in the county, this was the "first time in several years the county show made a profit," said Hess. Income from show sponsors and entries totalled \$2,696 with expenses of \$2,526.21, for a net income of \$169.79.

According to Bill Allen of the state association, the group has been busy selling animals in the export market. Recently, 1,000 head of Holsteins were shipped to

the country of Lebanon.

Another 700 head were shipped this week to Saudi Arabia. Japan has placed a bred heifer order, and next year, additional cattle will be shipped to Saudi Arabia. They also do a good bit of sales domestically.

The state Holstein Convention is scheduled Feb. 18-20 at the Ramada Inn in Wilkes-Barre. The

junior convention is scheduled also at the Ramada Inn in Wilkes-Barre Feb. 5-7.

The county club has scheduled a March 9 tour to visit Woods and Land-Land dairies, and will stop other places, according to Larry Kennel. More information will be available in later months.

At the banquet Tuesday night, senior and junior production awards were presented to members. In the junior 2-year-old category, Marvin Stoltzfus, Leola, won the milk production award for Mar-R Mascot Alta, 305D, 34,763m, 1,148f, and 1,066p,

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At the banquet, new directors were elected for three-year terms. They are, from left, Gerald Risser, Bainbridge; Rick Hess, Lancaster; and Mark Welk, Quarryville. In front is Audra Wood, county dairy princess.



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