

Centre/Clinton Holstein Breeders, DHIA Hold Joint Meeting

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The Holstein breeders of Centre and Clinton counties and the Centre County DHIA jointly held their annual meetings Nov. 12 at the Logan Grange Hall in Pleasant Gap.

Holstein Club President Paul Hartle introduced a number of guests, including Terry Maddox and Beth VanHorn from the Centre County Extension Service; Billie Jo Burd, Centre County dairy princess; Kenneth Raney, executive director of the Pennsylvania Holstein Association; and David Lentz, representing Holstein USA.

The Holstein Club acknowledged accomplishments and other recognitions given members during 1998, while the Centre County DHIA recognized outstanding production and management.

Centre County Holstein Breeders junior members were recognized for several accomplishments.

The junior dairy bowl team won the state competition in February, and went on to win the national junior dairy bowl contest in June in Louisville. Members of the team include Emily and Ben Cloninger, and Jay and Zachary Harding.

Junior members Karen Struble and Troy Hartle won speech contests at the 1998 state Holstein convention, and Hartle repeated his speech on showing ethics, much discussed during the year.

Ben Cloninger was recognized for being one of six finalists in the junior-aged division of the state Holstein Distinguished Junior Member Contest.

Emily Cloninger and Troy Hartle were finalists and Lori Con-

nelly was one of the winners in the intermediate-aged division of the contest.

Chris Connelly was a winner in the senior-aged division of the contest, and also received a youth scholarship. Later, at the national Holstein convention, Chris was one of six national winners and received a \$1,000 Cookbook Scholarship.

In other youth member news, Karen Struble had three of her cows qualify for the state 150,000-pound milk production awards.

Lori Connelly's fall calf was named Junior All-Pennsylvania winner for its class.

Connelly herself was elected president of the Pa. Junior Holstein Club.

Jennifer Dotterer, named state dairy princess in September, and Chris Connelly were named winners of the club's youth scholarships.

Among the adult members of the two-county Holstein club, recognized was past state Holstein president Jay Houser who was inducted into the association's Hall of Fame.

Member Fred Strouse was recognized as half of the ownership (Tom McCauley of Elizabethtown is the other half) of Dandyland Starbuck Maggie, grand champion of the state fall championship show, as well as grand champion of the Eastern National Holstein Show.

The club served as host this year to one of the state Holstein Association's junior judging schools, and club members Tom and Lori Hartle of Bellefonte and Paul and Dee Courter of Mill Hall were



From the left, in the front row, junior members of the Centre/Clinton County Holstein Club are Matt Ulmer, Emily Cloninger, Amy Hartle, and Ben Cloninger. In the back row, from the left, Karen Stringer, Craig Stringer, Brian Stringer, Troy Hartle and Buck Gates.

thanked for presenting Holsteins to the youth participating in the school, while Craig and Susie Wicker were thanked for presenting Jerseys, and the Dean Daubert family was thanked for their Brown Swiss classes.

In Centre County DHIA awards, the high protein production herd was Valley End Farm, owned by the Ron Hough Sr. family. They were also recognized as the winner of the county herd management award.

Steve Mundrick was recognized as having the most improved herd for milke and protein.

Receiving four DHIA awards were Ideal Holsteins, owned by Jacob and Sallianne Tanis. Their Camelot HHR Aspen cow was named top milk producer with 45,305 pounds of milk, 1,587 pounds fat, and 1,238 pounds protein.

Their C Beckalea Vema Rookie

was named high protein producer with 1,369 pounds protein out of 41,688 pounds milk, and 1,528 pounds of fat.

The Tanis's Ideals Bachelor Johanna was the winner of the county top lifetime production awards for milk and protein. She made 269,552 pounds milk, 9,796 pounds of fat, and 8,403 pounds of protein.

The herd with the lowest somatic cell count was that owned by Doug Vanada.

Barb Rossman's herd was recognized as having the most improved somatic cell count.

In the junior Holstein production awards, among the 2-year-olds, Matt Ulmer had the winner for milk, fat and protein production with his Guided-Path Slocum Haly-ET making 30,523 pounds milk, 992 pounds fat, and 903 protein.

Among the 3-year-olds, Ben

Cloninger's Ideals Astre Terry was the top producer of milk, fat and protein with 31,275 pounds milk, 1,021 pounds fat, and 927 pounds protein.

Among the 4-year-olds, Karen Stringer had the top producer of milk and components with her Stingers Cleitus Ursula making 28,959 pounds milk, 1,236 pounds fat, and 948 pounds protein.

The top producing 5-year-old for milk and fat was Brian Stringer's Stringers Vanguard Unie with 26,006 pounds milk, and 1,027 pounds fat.

Owned by Karen Stringer, the top protein producing 5-year-old was Stringers Ned Boy Unicorn with 807 pounds.

The 150,000-pound lifetime production award was presented to Buck Gates for his Maple-Hill Farm Cleitus Feann with 153,030 pounds milk, 5,477 pounds fat, and 4,890 pounds protein.

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Fulton County Agribusiness Breakfast Set

McCONNELLSBURG (Fulton Co.) — The Fulton County Extension Office in conjunction with the Fulton County Conservation District will be holding an agribusiness break-

fast on Tuesday, Jan. 5, at the McConnellsburg American Legion Post 561.

Bill Fink from the Fulton County Conservation District will discuss nutrient manage-

ment and its impact on agriculture and the environment. The monthly agribusiness breakfast will start promptly at 8 a.m. and will adjourn at 9 a.m.

Breakfast will cost \$4.50 per person and will include scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, coffee, milk, and orange juice.

If you would like to attend,

contact the Fulton County Extension Office at (717) 485-4111 or the Fulton County Conservation District at (717) 485-3547.

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be soul mates with the Farm Bureau and the Farm Bureau agenda."

The Frederick News-Post received an award for excellence in reporting.

Dan Shortall, retiring first vice president, was honored with a clock for his years of service.

And three young FB members received scholarships toward their college educations at Maryland schools. The scholarship winners were Gina Rende, daughter of Frank and Janice Rende, Caroline County; Donna Baumann, daughter of Donald and Barbara Baumann, Wicomico County; and Ralph Jackson IV, the son of Ralph and Gale Jackson, Dorchester County.



Steve Weber, MFB president, presented Becky Long-Chaney, agriculture editor for the Frederick News-Post, with a plaque for excellence in reporting.



Congressman Roscoe Barlette, left, received a Friend of Farm Bureau Award from Steve Weber, president of MFB.