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## Rich Roenigk Leads Poultry Association



Although he lives in York County, the newly-installed president of the Lancaster County Poultry Association has strong ties with the industry. At their home, Rich Roenigk stands with his wife Debi, daughter, Lauralee, and son, Landon.

## We're Losing Our Freedoms, Says Granger Of Year

ANDY ANDREWS  
Lancaster Farming Staff  
ALLENSTOWN (Lehigh Co.) — Granger of the Year F. Paul Dawson

son, Industry, cautioned more than 600 family and friends of the Pennsylvania State Grange that, little by little, everyday, "we are losing

our freedom in this country."

A champion of personal freedom and the right outlined in the U.S. Constitution to bear arms, Dawson, honored with the prestigious Granger of the Year Award Monday evening in Allentown during the 127th annual Grange convention, said he can't think of a better way to preserve those freedoms "than through the Grange," he said.

Dawson, who with wife Phyllis, son Barry, daughter Kathy, and five grandchildren, has been a proponent of the Grange for years. Paul himself has been with the Grange about 56 years — a mem-

try's leading producer of eggs and poultry.  
LOU ANN GOOD  
Lancaster Farming Staff  
YORK (York Co.) — The newly-installed president of the Lancaster County Poultry Association formed an early attraction to the avian industry. As a 5-year-old, Rich Roenigk became so attached to a bantam rooster that he carried it everywhere.

The fascination with poultry and eggs continues for Roenigk. Only today it is not limited to feathered birds but to keeping Lancaster County on its course as the coun-

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## Virus Wreaks Damage In Orchards

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YORK SPRINGS (Adams Co.) — The virus attacking the peach orchards in Adams County has the potential to devastate the stone-bearing fruit industry in the region for years, and could become a national problem.

The plum pox virus, or sharka, was detected in North America for the first time on

trees in a York Springs grower's peach and nectarine orchards, the state agriculture department said recently.

Officials compare the virus to avian influenza which, in recent years, has caused flocks of chickens to be destroyed and farms quarantined.

The plum pox virus is so serious, in fact, that the state department of agriculture and

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interest in serving the Grange.

What he enjoyed about Grange through the years, he said, were the lessons the Grange teaches. He pointed them out: "Integrity, honesty, faith, hope, fidelity and perseverance," Dawson recounted.

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## Lancaster Farming Celebrates 44th

For the first time 44 years ago, Lancaster Farming appeared in rural mailboxes in southeast Pennsylvania. That was Nov. 4, 1955. Ever since, once a week, Lancaster Farming has supplied farm news, market and production reports, regular columns, special features, and advertising to our loyal readers. Farmers and agribusiness representatives really depend on us for farm news and information each week. We thank those who have helped us in our success.



A champion of personal freedom and the right outlined in the U.S. Constitution to bear arms, F. Paul Dawson, right, was honored with the prestigious Granger of the Year Award Monday evening in Allentown during the 127th annual Grange convention. Presenting the award was Bill Steel, Pennsylvania Grange Master. Photo by Andy Andrews



Heidi Bauman helps carry on the family legacy in Montgomery County where a centuries-old recipe for apple butter is used. A mixture of tart and sweet apples simmered in cider for seven hours turns into dark, rich apple butter. Turn to page B2 to read more about the Baumans and the fruit butters they prepare. Story by Lou Ann Good.

## Set Clocks Back Tonight

The timeless saying, "spring forward, fall back" has arrived for your clocks. Time has come to change from Daylight Saving Time back to Eastern Standard Time. We "fall back" one hour at 2 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 31, Halloween. So turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed Saturday night. Some believe that "falling back" means you regain an hour of sleep, though the days are shorter. Keep in mind: animal feeding and milking schedules need to be adjusted accordingly.