

Annual PASA Conference Attracts 1,000

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include the Global 500 Roll of Honour in 1992; Earth Day International Award in 1993; Alternative Nobel Prize in 1993;

VIDA SANA International Award in 1993; the Golden Plant Award for Ecology in 1997; and the Alfonso Comin Award in 1997.

Dr. John Todd presented the

closing keynote address. Dr. Todd co-founded the New Alchemy Institute, which investigates new applications of solar energy and new food producing systems based on renewable sources of energy. Dr. Todd is currently a research professor and distinguished lecturer at the University of Vermont. He teaches ecological design. Dr. Todd was recognized in 1987 by the UN Environmental Program for his contributions in protecting the earth's environment. He received the Chico Mendes Environmental Merit Award in 1989 from the US Environmental Protection Agency. He received the Teddy Roosevelt Conservation Award in 1990, Discovery Magazine's Technological Award in 1991, the Charles A. and Anne Morrow Lindbergh Award in 1998, and the Bioneers Life Time Achievement Award in 1998.

The conference began with an 8:00 a.m. registration on Friday followed by the opening session and keynote address by Shiva at 9:30.

Participants then attended



Dr. Vandana Shivas, New Delhi, India, delivered the keynote address.

concurrent sessions on topics such as Profitability on a Small Farm, Energize Your Pasture Grass, Compost Rules!, Preventing resistance Problems from Genetically Modified Crops, the Four Ps of Pastured Poultry, Improving the Soil Foodweb and Plant Production, and Introduction to Federal

Estate and Gift Tax for the Farm Family.

Over forty farmers, processors, and distributors donated food for the event. Lauren Smith of PASA worked closely with Chef Ken Stout of the Penn Stater Hotel to design special menus for all the meals during the conference.



At the PASA Conference, J.J. Haapala, director of The Farmer Cooperative based in Junction City with the Genome Project, exchanges seeds with Penn State Horticulture Professor, Pete Ferretti, while Gene Chenoweth looks on.

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The dates of the workshops are:

February 22-Kreiders Restaurant, Manheim (Lancaster County)-Focus on Reports & Herd Management

February 24-Family House Restaurant, Mifflintown (Juniata County)-Focus on Input & Report Creation (across from Truck Stop 35)

All workshops will be held from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

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