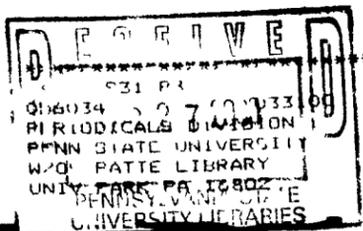


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STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — Celebrating 75 years of scholarship, workmanship, and fellowship, the Penn State Dairy Science Club hosted its 75th annual Dairy Exposition last weekend. The event culminated with the awards banquet held at the Days Inn in State College.  
As Dr. Lawrence Muller, professor of dairy and animal science and adviser for the club, said, "If you look down over the list of dedicatees and distinguished alumni this club has

## Penn State Dairy Science Club Celebrates 75th Dairy Expo

honored during the past 75 years, you could write a fairly large book on their accomplishments and contributions to the dairy industry and agriculture." Jeff Harding was named Dairy Exposition Dedicattee. A 1981 graduate of Penn State,

Harding was raised on a Guernsey farm in western Pennsylvania. He served as president, cheesebox chair, and spring trip chair while a member of the Dairy Science Club. After graduation, Harding returned to the family farm. He

worked from 1985 to 1992 as director of sales for the Pennsylvania Holstein Association. Since 1993, he has worked for Monsanto Dairy Business. Harding lives on a Pennsylvania Century Farm just outside of State College.

During his acceptance speech, Harding encouraged club members and guests to "live long, love much, and laugh hard" because those things lead to success.

Harding thanked the club for the tremendous honor. "I am truly blessed and probably the luckiest man in all of Pennsylvania tonight."

This year's Distinguished Dairy Science Alumnus was Robert Rumler, who is the Chairman Emeritus of Holstein Association USA, Inc. Rumler received his bachelor's degree in dairy science with honors in 1936. After graduation, he served as assistant county agent for the University of Missouri until 1937. He then returned to Pennsylvania to become county agent for Lycoming County for eight years. From 1945 to 1948, Rumler served as assistant manager and editor in the ag promotion division for E.I. DuPont de Nemours and Co.

From 1948 to 1982, Rumler worked for Holstein Association USA, Inc., where he started as assistant executive secretary and chief operating officer. He quickly ascended to chairman. In 1982, he was awarded the title of chairman emeritus.

Rumler has received 13 distinguished service awards from various organizations. He was also the recipient of the International Person of the Year Award from World Dairy Expo and was named as guest of honor by the National Dairy Shrine.

During his acceptance remarks, Rumler congratulated the club for being the number

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The Penn State Dairy Science Club celebrated its 75th annual Dairy Exposition last weekend. This year's seniors who attended the Expo Show are from left (front) Roberta McConnell, Jill Middour, Laura Lynch, Heather Sleeman, (second row) Heather Oberholtzer, Chris Corl, Vickie Ansell, Jamie Risser, Jolene Nicoletto, Noah Hughes, (back) Diane Glock, Sarah Rodriguez, Christina Peterson, Steve Pavelski, Allen Behrer, Todd Morris, Dan Theodori, Melissa Rhoads, Justin Howes, and Colin Gillette. Photo by Jayne Sebright

## New Program To Strengthen Beef Industry

MIDDLETOWN (Dauphin Co.) — Somebody told the bull about the steak he produced, and now the first and the last links in the beef production chain are beginning to form a circle of purpose. That purpose is focused on providing the consumer with consistency, quality, and verification.

In this emerging conception-to-consumer marketplace, the role of the feedlot is changing rapidly to reflect a greater uniformity of purpose and practice.

Cow/calf probers are beginning to take steps to position their small herds in a growing and consolidating marketplace. They're working together and agreeing on uniformity of management, genetics, health, and nutrition protocol. Such "alli-

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## Conservation Farmer Makes Class 2, 3 Soils Productive

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*Lancaster Farming Staff*  
MECHANICSVILLE (Bucks Co.) — Every crop farmer knows how critical Class 1 soils can be to a good crop.

But producers who follow some basic erosion prevention strategies can make a difference in terms of crop yield with Class 2 and 3 soils.

Tom Trycieki, president of

the Bucks County Farm Bureau, uses a combination of minimum and no-till strategies to make the most of the less-desirable soils on his conservation farm to ensure improved yields. Import-

antly, Trycieki noted, don't go into the fields too early in the spring and cause ruts and compaction.

"Be there when the soil is fit for you to plant," said the Bucks

County Conservation Cooperator of the Year.

Trycieki farms more than 600 acres on all leased land with wife Susan and son Thomas.

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### Easter Greetings

At this sacred season of Easter the staff at *Lancaster Farming* wish for you and your family the faith and hope of new beginnings inherent in the observation of this religious celebration.



Tom Trycieki, 10-year president of the Bucks County Farm Bureau, began farming when he was a child. In 1985, the Bucks County Conservation Cooperator of the Year Award winner began farming full-time and still cares for some acreage in Buckingham Township owned by his uncle, Walter Trycieki. Photo by Andy Andrews