

# Master Gardeners, Leaders Honored At Lebanon County Meeting

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**SCHAEFFERSTOWN** (Lebanon Co.) — Thirty-two thousand and still going ... Recently Debbie Hartman, who has volunteered for 3,200 hours for the Master Gardener program, was recognized at the Penn State Cooperative Extension meeting and volunteer recognition night.

Held at Schaefferstown Fire Hall, the 83rd annual meeting drew a crowd for a meal, business session, extension board member election, and volunteer leader and extension staff recognition.

Hartman received a certificate for her involvement with the Master Gardener program. Hartman has been a Master Gardener since 1989. While she served as a volunteer Master Gardner coordinator for Lebanon County for a number of years, she presented many programs in Lebanon and other counties on topics which included edible flowers, advanced vegetable gardening, and leaf printing.

In addition Hartman taught the communications segment of

the Master Gardener training class in the Capital and Southeast regions. She is also a spotlighted volunteer this year in Penn State Cooperative Extension's annual report.

Ken Good, a Master Gardener volunteer since the first class in 1988, was also honored for his 500 hours of service to the program. Ginger Pryor, a horticulture specialist who provides staff support for the Master Gardener program, gave out the awards.

Two volunteer leaders were honored for five years of service to 4-H. Kathleen Ziegler, Schaefferstown, a South Mountain 4-H leader, has assisted with the club's sewing projects. Debra Tice, Mount Zion, is an organization leader for the sheep club.

All leaders received a tape measure "to measure their success in the program," said Martha Gregory, youth development agent. First-year leaders received a certificate and portfolio while fifth-year leaders received a silver clover pin and certificate. According to Gregory, leaders traditionally

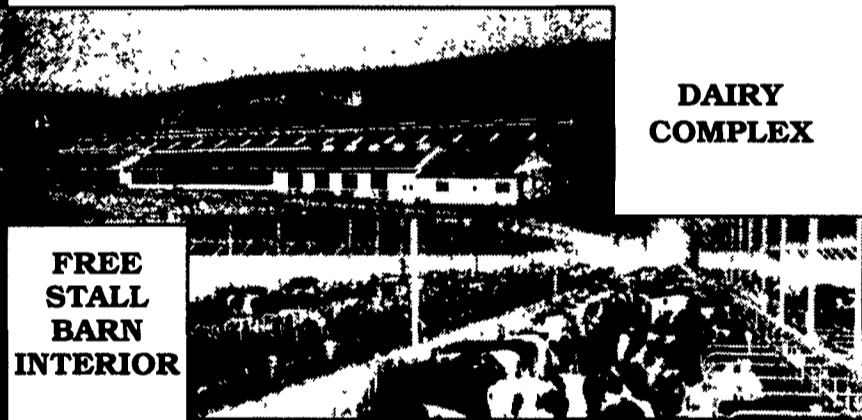
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Debbie Hartman, left, and Ken Good were honored for their service to the Master Gardener program. Hartman has volunteered approximately 3,200 hours giving presentations and teaching the communications portion of the Master Gardener program. Ken Good has been with the Master Gardener program since the very first class and has volunteered 500 hours. Horticulture specialist Ginger Pryor, center, is staff support for the program.

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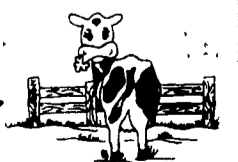
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