

# Adams County Conducts Annual Meeting



Adams County Penn State Extension recently elected new board members. They include, from left, Ross Pifer, Peggy Bear, Jaylene Hess, and Kathy Nelson-Small. Not pictured is Janet Williams.



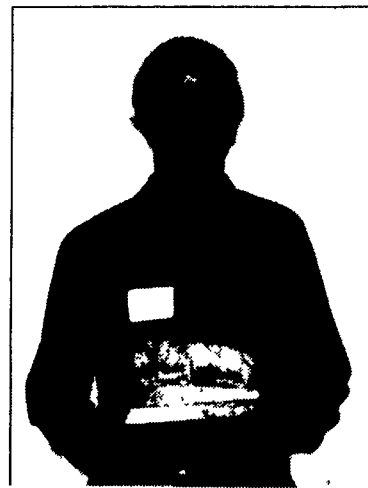
County residents were honored for their work in building the Adams County Agricultural and Natural Resources Center in Gettysburg. From left, Ken Reinhart, Gettysburg; Stanley Wolf, Gettysburg; Faith Peterson, Abbottstown; and Alan Zepp, New Oxford.

YORK SPRINGS (Adams Co.) — Bob Clowney, a Mount Joy Township dairy farmer, received the Penn State Nittany Lion Service Award here during the recent 85th annual Penn State Cooperative Extension meeting.

Clowney was recognized for his two terms of dedicated service with the board of directors of the Adams County extension.

The extension recognized four county residents for the leadership in building the Adams County Agricultural and Natural Resources Center in Gettysburg. Recipients were Ken Reinhart, Gettysburg; Stanley Wolf, Gettysburg; Faith Peterson, Abbottstown; and Alan Zepp, New Oxford.

New board members were also selected. They include Ross Pifer, Peggy Bear, Jaylene Hess, Kathy Nelson-Small, and Janet Williams.



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## USDA Announces Fruits, Vegetables Targeted For Purchase

WASHINGTON, D.C. — On Thursday, the USDA announced to the agricultural industry the target list of fruits and vegetables it will purchase in the coming months to bring relief to farmers burdened with critical surpluses and depressed market prices.

Using newly appropriated funds totaling \$200 million in the coming fiscal year, USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service will purchase large quantities of apples, black eyed peas, cherries, citrus, cranberries, onions, melons, peaches, and potatoes, as specified in The Agricultural

Risk Protection Act of 2000 (Public Law 106-224).

President Clinton signed the legislation on June 20, earmarking the funds for USDA to purchase commodities that experienced severely low prices during the 1998 or 1999 crop years (USDA based its selection on a comparison of prices over the previous five years).

Check out the AMS Website: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/fv/fvcomm.htm>. The site also offers guidelines for growers and handlers wishing to bid on USDA purchase offers.

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