

Penn State Dairy Science Club Is Tops Again

The 2001 national meeting of the American Dairy Science Association (ADSA) was conducted recently in Indianapolis, Ind. Once again, the Penn State Dairy Science Club had a strong showing and took home the Outstanding Student Chapter for the seventh consecutive year.

The annual meeting of ADSA gathers dairy science students, professors, and industry leaders from all over the U.S. and internationally.

Members of the Penn State chapter also took home several individual honors including Outstanding Student, Angie Moschini. During the undergraduate presentation contests, Jennifer Flinchbaugh placed first in the Production division, and Robert Goodling earned first place in Original Research division. The club's quiz bowl team comprised of Angie Moschini, Kevin Harvatine, Jennifer Flinchbaugh, and Daphne Doll, also received top honors in the inaugural ADSA Foundations Quiz Bowl. Newly elected national officers included PSU's Joanna Wilson as second vice president.

The Dairy Science Club is energetically involved with a wide array of student activities. The club conducts the Nittany Lion Fall Classic consignment sale, which allows students to select and prepare Holsteins for the auction. The Holiday Cheesebox sale generates funds for the club's activities by packaging holiday-boxed cheeses to be sold to alumni and friends throughout the U.S. The revenue from these fund raisers help fund the annual spring trip.

During the 2001 spring break, members traveled to the Pacific Northwest to visit internationally respected



Dairy Science Club members attending ADSA, from left, Dr. Larry Muller, Jessica Worobey, Joanna Wilson, Daphne Doll, Stacy Goetz, Angie Moschini, and Nicki Over.

farms like Markwell, Stanhope-Wedgwood, and Skagvale. International trips are scheduled as well. Several activities give non-dairy oriented students an opportunity to learn about the dairy industry.

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including the recordkeeping and hired help for the three-times-a-day milking schedule.

The Jobo workforce includes 13 fulltime and seven parttime employees, in addition to the five corporation partners. According to Josie, the key to a steady workforce is hiring reliable employees from the start.

"The turnover rate is not very high once you find the good (workers)," she said.

The team at Jobo includes three fulltime Mexican employees. Originally in Adams County for migrant work in the orchards, they have settled in the area and proven to be excellent workers on the dairy, Josie said.

Of hearing about other employers hesitant to hire Mexicans, she said, "I don't understand why."

Jobo Holsteins posts an overall rolling herd average of 25,330 pounds. Included in the RHA are about 40 head of Brown Swiss. The milk is shipped to Land O' Lakes Cooperative.

John and Bonnie Hess have previously been recognized as Master Farmers and conservationists.



Dairy Science Club's first place dairy quiz bowl team, from left, Angie Moschini, Kevin Harvatine, Jennifer Flinchbaugh, and Daphne Doll.