



Dairylea Honors High Quality Milk Producers

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Dairylea Cooperative, Inc. honored member producers with top quality milk through the 2001-2002 Milk Quality Management Award Program at its annual meeting Oct. 15 and 16 in Liverpool, NY.

For the past 18 years, Dairylea's quality program has recognized members who produce outstanding raw milk. Each month, milk samples from every Dairylea member farm are tested based on industry criteria, including somatic cell count of 300,000 or less, no added water, no growth inhibitors, and no off flavor, odor or questionable appearance.

Dairylea member farms honored this year are:

- Charles and Beth Bartels, Meshoppen;

- Brabant Farm Partnership, Verona, N.Y.;
- Louis and Lois DesJardins, Munnsville, N.Y.;
- Harkdale Farms, Inc., Newbury, Vt.;
- William and Allan Shoemaker, New Woodstock, N.Y.;
- James & Donna Walker, Susquehanna;
- Willett Farms, Inc., Hunt, N.Y., and
- Kenneth R. Wood, South Dayton, N.Y.

Members receiving recognition attributed their high quality results to placing importance on cleanliness, consistent milking procedures, and cow comfort.

"We are extremely proud of our Milk Quality Management Award recipients," said Clyde Rutherford, Dairylea president. "These members consistently demonstrate sound management and dedication to producing the best possible product."

The Milk Quality Management Award Program includes all Dairylea Cooperative members and member cooperative farms. Final rankings are based on the lowest index derived in the nine measurements.

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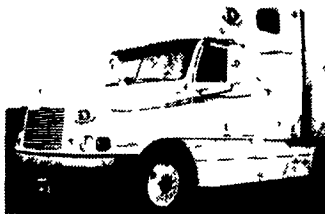
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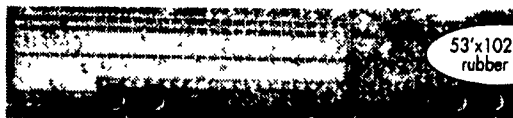
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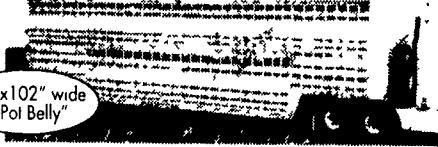
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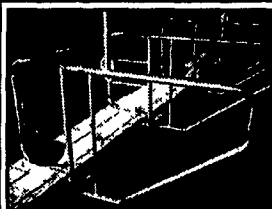


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