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Son Stephen Lethbridge now manages sire selection and breeding for the Chan-Lee herd.

Greg and Becky Wiles of Futuraland 2020 Holsteins, Williamsport, were named Outstanding Junior Holstein Breeders for 2002.

Greg Wiles took over the breeding program from parents Charles and Martha Wiles in 1986. He has since come to own the herd, which boasts a breed age average (BAA) of 105, with many of the top indexing cows in the country being bred there.

Futuraland Tesk Pamela was their first contract cow, producing 23 daughters that scored Very Good as 2-year-olds.

Another highlight in the Futuraland herd was the 1991 purchase of Con-Acres Zita as an embryo. Among her many achievements, this animal went on to score EX-94 and produced the first commercially cloned animals to be returned to the farm.

Joe and Nona Schwartzbeck of Union Bridge received the 2002 Distinguished Service Award for their active involvement in Maryland Holstein activities over the years.



Charles and Anne Lethbridge of Chan-Lee Holsteins were named 2002 Outstanding Maryland Holstein Senior Breeders.



The 2002 Outstanding Maryland Junior Holstein Breeder Award went to Greg and Becky Wiles, right, of Futuraland 2020 Holsteins, Williamsport, Md. They are joined by award presenters Jason and Donna Myers.

Nona has been a major force in the Maryland Junior Holstein Club. She was one of the founders and continues to help with events. Nona was the first to take junior members to the National Holstein Convention and is responsible for starting the junior production award program.

Among her many other contributions, Nona has been on a number of state Holstein commuttees, served on the Carroll County Fair Board for 30 years, and has been inducted into the 4-H Hall of Fame.

Joe Schwartzbeck has served as president of the Maryland Holstein Association, chaired several state- and county-level committees, and been elected as delegate to the National Holstein Convention numerous times. He was selected Maryland Outstanding Young Farmer in 1972.

The Schwartzbecks own Peace & Plenty Farm with a herd of 325 registered Holsteins. Their son Gus along with wife Lisa and three children Davis, Aubrey, and Austin manage the herd and live on the main farm. Son Shane and his family help part-time on the farm while also owning a farm-related business.

Andrea Hood, Frederick County, was named Outstanding Maryland Holstein Scholar and received \$2,000 toward her education. She is a junior at Delaware Valley College with a major in dairy science and a minor in communications.

A number of junior members were recognized at the banquet for record book and production achievements.

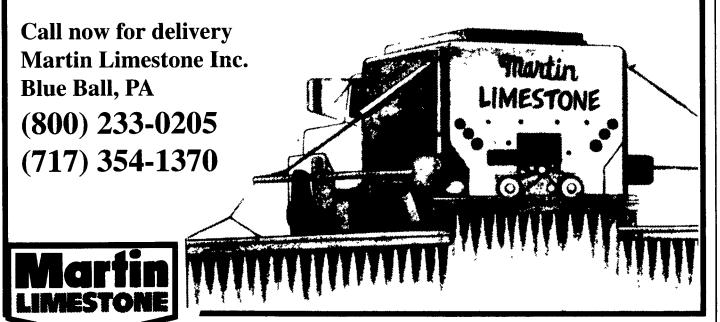
Record book winners for 2003 included, in the junior division, Austin Schwartzbeck, Aubrey Schwartzbeck, Nathan Rhoderick, Amy Yeiser, Ethan Hood, Brittany Lethbridge, Collins Lethbridge, Nicole Reese, David Nichols, Logan Moore, Scott DeBaugh, and Hannah Hood.

Intermediate division winners were Davis Schwartzbeck, Malorie Rhoderick, Curtis Rhoderick, Holly Wright, Andrew Herbst, Laurel Moore, Scott Davis, Han-

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