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Neal and Mary Lou King with their dog Sunny and children Kelly, 12, holding her 4-H calf Owen; Colton, 10, holding his 4-H dairy beef calf Sport; Kristy, 8; and Kandy, 5, milk 145 cows and crop farm 90 acres on their third-generation farm. Turn to page B2 to read more about the Kings, who farm where the blacktop ends in highly developed Chester County. Photo by Lou Ann Good, food and family features editor

## Lancaster Farming Introduces Turf & Tree

### Grower & Marketer

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Lancaster Farming Introduces A New Component Of Grower & Marketer:



Life Is Sweet At Bradford County's Dewy Meadows Maple Farm

**CAROLYN MOYER**  
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**WARREN CINTYR** (Bradford Co.) — It's routine that is as natural to maple producers as the changing of the seasons. Early in the spring, all producers gather their equipment and head off into the sugarbush. In many cases, they've been provided to the sugar house, where a crackling, sizzling fire heats up the sap, removing the water and yielding a thick rich amber syrup. This sweet sign of spring is ever present at Dewy Meadows Maple Farm, host of the Bradford Sullivan Forest Landowner's Association spring tour. While at the farm, visitors had the opportunity to sample sugar



Lancaster Farming introduces a new component of its *Grower & Marketer* Section this issue, *Turf & Tree*. *Turf & Tree*, part of Section C, focuses on the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic tree care, forestry management, large- and small-scale wood processing, and turfgrass industries. Included: A feature from the Christmas Tree Growers Association Summer Conference in State College, in addition to a review of the Arboretum at Penn State. Also, highlights of the recent landscape and nursery conference, a look at the new Eagles' football stadium surface at Lincoln Financial Field, and a feature on a maple syrup producer are included.

## PADLS: Needs Proper Funding, BSL-3 Status

ANDY ANDREWS  
Editor

ROCKSPRING (Centre Co.) — If Pennsylvania is struck by ag bioterrorism, our state could have its entire economy shut down.

And if Pennsylvania continues to try to operate its animal diagnostic labs at its current low level of funding, lack of adequate staffing, outdated equipment, and improper testing certification, Pennsylvania doesn't "have a chance of fighting disease," said Dr. John Enck Jr., state veterinarian, executive director of the Animal Health and Diagnostic Commission and director of the Bureau of Animal Health and Diagnostic Services, Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Enck and Dr. James T. Rankin, state epidemiologist, state department of health, spoke in Rockspring at Ag Progress Days recently. They addressed the joint committee informational meeting, House Agricul-

ture and Rural Affairs Committee and the House Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness Committee.

The threat of ag bioterrorism, or agroterrorism, is "greater than any time in our history," said Rankin.

Rankin noted the recent BSE discovery in Canada cost that country \$3 billion in lost income when the borders were closed to the U.S. "And that was from a single cow!" he said.

Rankin addressed the problems of managing the war on influenza that scientists believe originates in Hong Kong, in which parts resemble a third world country, with the possibility of new genetic strains resistant to treatment caused by co-infected swine or humans.

To create a multibillion-dollar disruption, Enck noted it was "so easy, it's pathetic," he said to the members of the House and Senate who attended the meet-

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Sunday evening proved very special for Maryland 4-H'ers as their fair projects garnered good prices during the Maryland State Fair Livestock Sale at the fairgrounds in Timonium, Md. Grand champion lamb, exhibited by Christopher Utz, right, was sold for \$7.50 per pound to Dennis Kendall, manager of Cornerstone Antiques and Consignments, Timonium, left. In center is Maryland Lamb and Wool Queen Anna Schlicht. See story page A18. Photo by Andy Andrews, editor

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