

Lancaster Farmland Trust Banquet

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Amish family that owns this farm was the fourth family in Leacock Township to preserve in the past year. The farm is adjacent to the previous farm, creating the important "building block" effect of preserved farmland. The farm has 1,600 feet of frontage along the Pequea Creek and contains 96 percent prime agricultural soils. A dairy and small hog operation exists on the farm.

- Karen M. Wenger, Ronald D. Wenger, and estate of C. Bruce Wenger, March 2003. Staff had been working with the Wenger family for more than two years before their 80-acre Elizabeth Township farm was preserved in March of 2003. The farm was sold at auction to an adjacent Amish farmer who plans on running a small dairy operation. Its 3,700 feet of road frontage makes for a wonderful view as you drive along Brubaker Valley Road. It contains 100 percent prime agricultural soils and is so flat that you can see the entire farm while standing anywhere on the property.

- Anonymous, 2003. This farm, the fifth to be preserved in

Leacock Township, is owned by an Old Order Amish family. It is adjacent to another preserved farm and is only one property away from two more preserved farms. The farm is within a half mile of the Intercourse UGB. It has more than 2,800 feet of road frontage and contains 100 percent prime agricultural soils. This farmer has been very direct in stating he wants to see more farms preserved in Leacock Township and has offered to help whenever he can.

- Anonymous, August 2003. This beautiful Strasburg Township farm was preserved just this past summer. The owner of the farm was undecided if he wanted to preserve with the Trust or with the Ag Preserve Board. After hearing his farm would probably not be preserved for at least three years with the Ag Preserve Board, he decided to preserve with the Trust. This farm has more than 3,000 feet of frontage along the Beaver Creek, which was fenced off from the cattle in 2001. The farmer worked with the Chesapeake Bay Foundation and Ducks Unlimited to accomplish this goal.

- Robert R. Herr, August

2003. These two farms are located in Drumore Township and are owned by Robert Herr. Herr worked with the Trust a few years ago to preserve a different farm in Drumore Township. The 60- and 25-acre pieces were important to preserve because of their proximity to other preserved farms, as well as their proximity to the Lancaster County Conservancy's Fishing Creek Preserve. There is a chance that one of the neighboring farms may also be preserved in the near future.

- Herma R. Losensky, September 2003. This 18-acre farm was preserved in conjunction with Warwick Township using their Transferable Development Rights (TDR) Program. The farm is adjacent to the Kline farm that was preserved in December of 2002 and is also adjacent to the UGB. Trust staff and Warwick Township have focused on the surrounding farms as ones to target for the next TDR transfer.

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