

Ag Chamber Speaker: 'Normal Doesn't Live Here'

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Sonia Wasco presented the 2003 George C. Delp Award, which is given to a Lancaster county resident who has made a significant personal contribution to preserving and enhancing agriculture in Lancaster County.

The 2003 recipient is Dr. Allen Rider of New Holland North America. Rider is vice president of New Holland North American Agribusiness. In the past, he has been the senior research engineer.

Waso noted that Rider has numerous professional and technical organizational affiliations that "it would take most of the night to list them all," she said, and has written 500 technical papers.

Rider is on the board of directors for the Lancaster County Chamber of Commerce and Industry. In addition, he is president of the American Society of Agriculture Engineers and works with a local Boy Scout troop.

In his remarks, Rider stressed that it was the vision of people like George Delp who have made "New Holland what it is."

Agriculture Secretary Dennis Wolff provided congratulatory remarks for the five Century Farm Award winners and presented each farm with a certificate for their centennial accomplishment

The five farms recognized were John and Thelma Wolgemuth, Mount Joy; William and Peggy Longenecker, Mount Joy; Dennis and Ellen Eby, Gap; John and Gladys Landis, Leola; and Hahn Farming Enterprises, Lillie, Jay, and Chifford Hahn, Lines Bair, and Chifford Hahn, Lines Bair,



Gladys Landis, Leola; and Hahn
Farming Enterprises, Lillie, Jay,
and Chittord Hahn, Linda Bair,
and Sonia Wasco, agriculture complittee chairperson. Photo by Charlene Shape Espenshade
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