

DAIRY PRODUCTION CONFERENCE

AWARDEES - AWARDS BANQUET

1. Dairy Family Award - Sponsored by the Florida Farm Bureau Federation and recognizes a dairy family each year with a minimum of two generations, cooperative, involved in community activities, and have shown significant progress.

The Arthur Aukema family received the Dairy Family Award at the 1984 Florida Dairy Production conference. Family history takes us back to Holland where the father of Arthur Aukema lived until departing for the United States in 1921. After arriving in the U.S., he was employed as a tenant farmer in Ohio before settling on his own farm in Michigan. Most of the family (8 children) have remained in the midwest. Arthur migrated to West Florida in the early 50's, met and married Bonnie Wilks and started dairying in the area. Arthur and Bonnie have five children - Ann, Patsy, Bob, Joy and Gary. Joy and Gary remain on the farm with plans to continue the tradition of dairying. Gary, upon receiving his BS in Dairy Science at the University of Florida, returned to the dairy to become general manager. He and his wife Karen have two daughters - Mandi and Mitze. Joy's husband, Gary McAfee, has also become involved in the operation. The Arthur Aukema family are looking forward to a lot of happiness and satisfaction in the operation of their 485 cow dairy located at the Washington-Jackson County line near Chipley.

2. Dairy Herd Management Awards - Sponsored by Federal Land Bank Associations and the Production Credit Associations of Florida. The herds are selected from those nominated by the local County Extension staff.
 - a. Small Herd Division - Bowie's Dairy, located near Jacksonville, was recognized and honored during the Dairy Production Conference as the winner in the Small Herd Division. The 188 cow dairy, originally owned by Albert Bowie, is presently owned by his two sons -- Robert and John Bowie. Also, a grandson, Robin Bowie, serves as herd manager. In 1983 the herd averaged 14,975 lbs. of milk per cow and a projected minimum calving interval of 12.9 months. The recipient was nominated by Mike Kelly, County Extension Agent in Duval County.
 - b. Medium Herd Division - Shamrock Dairy, owned and managed by Collie, Steve and Mike Mattox of Washington County, was the recipient of the top award in the Medium Herd Division. Forages are an important part of the program and several varieties are grown for haylage. The present dairy was constructed in 1981 and houses 281 dairy cows with a rolling herd average of 15,462 lbs. milk. The management team are very much involved in community affairs and serve on several important committees. The recipient was nominated by Lenzy Scott, County Extension Director in Washington County.

c. Large Herd Division - Turnpike Dairy, owned and managed by Jimmy Legg of Martin County, received the top award in the Large Herd Management Division. Receiving the management award was his son, John Legg. The dairy moved to new facilities in 1980 and presently house 814 dairy cows with a rolling herd average of 14,727 lbs. of milk. The dairy stresses the importance of producing quality milk and have consistently been recognized by the State Department of Agriculture for their efforts. Turnpike Dairy is very supportive of county activities and has been very helpful in providing heifers for 4-H and FFA projects, according to Bob Whitty, County Extension Director in Martin County.

3. Olympian Award - Sponsored by the Florida Bankers Association.

The award recognizes one dairyman each year who has demonstrated that unique ability in accomplishing goals, is industrious, involved in community affairs, and has demonstrated good organization and progress. Such is the case at Pine Valley Dairy Inc. of Lakeland where Joe and Shirley Buckler have worked unselfishly for several years in promoting youth activities, quality cows and the Florida Dairy Industry. Mr. Buckler has been actively involved in the Florida DHIA Board, West Central DHIA, PDCA, Tampa IDFA, Florida Holstein Association, Florida Jersey Cattle Club and the Florida BS Association. The dairy was a pilot herd on DART and continues to utilize those benefits. Those attending the dairy show at the Florida State Fair can well appreciate the input provided by Pine Valley Dairy. We salute the Buckler family and the Pine Valley Dairy Management team for their hard work and unselfish support of the dairy industry.

4. Dairy Senior Award - Sponsored by Dairy Farmers Inc.

The 1984 senior winners were Ed Henderson of Bradenton and Jim Frazel of Davie, Florida. Two recipients in the Dairy Science Department were selected as winners due to their overall leadership abilities, involvement in school activities and grades. Both will receive BS degrees at the end of the 1984 summer term. While attending the University of Florida, Ed has served as VP of the Dairy Science Club as well as assisted in the Extension office on computer software programs. Jim is presently President of the Dairy Science Club and as such has been involved in setting up field trips and other activities involving the Dairy Science Club. Both students plan to return to management positions at dairies where they have had previous work experience.

5. PDCA Awards - Mr. Wayne Odegaard, County Extension Director in Lafayette County, received the Purebred Dairy Cattle Association (PDCA) Plaque from PDCA President Bill Bassett. The plaque was presented in recognition of distinguished service and support of Purebred Dairy Cattle Association activities and in the promotion of purebred dairy cattle.

6. DHIA Awards

Certificates of recognition were presented to herds with 16,000 pounds of milk per cow annual average. Awards are based on rolling herd average (DHIA, DHIR, Supervised M-0) at the end of the 1983 DHI test year.

1. Eicher Dairy	83 cows	20,490 M	725 F
2. Van Wagner Dairy	206 cows	17,617 M	569 F
3. Crary Dairy	339 cows	17,313 M	599 F
4. Bassett's Dairy	1,049 cows	16,976 M	525 F
5. Square D Dairy	151 cows	16,950 M	589 F
6. Shreves Summerfield	116 cows	16,620 M	513 F
7. Highview Dairy	254 cows	16,617 M	---
8. Oaklane Dairy	593 cows	16,557 M	---
9. Swiss Haven Dairy	813 cows	16,251 M	519 F
10. Aukema Dairy	412 cows	16,138 M	541 F
11. Wiggins Dairy	154 cows	16,123 M	---

7. State Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Top Three Honor Roll Awards for 1983

The top three Honor Roll Awardees were as follows:

- a. Small Division (under 200) - Sandlin Dairy, Wesley Sandlin, Hawthorne, Florida - 84 cows, 1,386 bacteria, and 200,000 SCC.
- b. Medium Division (200-499) - Adams and Sons Dairy, Glen St. Mary, Florida - 215 cows, 2,573 bacteria and 431,000 SCC.
- c. Large Division (500+) - Turnpike Dairy, Palm City, Florida - 691 cows, 2,725 bacteria and 253,000 SCC.

Other herds receiving Honor Roll Certificates were as follows:

12 MONTHS

Milo Thomas Ish Dairy P.O. Box 2409 Tampa, FL 33601	Russell Dairy, Inc. #1 2517 W. Brandon Road Brandon, FL 33511	Steve Yoder Bluebird Farm Route 2, Box 737 Grand Ridge, FL 32442
Barber Brothers Dairy Don & Douglas Barber Route 2 Cottdonale, FL 32431	R. L. Price R. L. Price Dairy 1107 Webb Street Graceville, FL 32440	Ronald P. Buckholtz J-Ron Dairy Route 2, Box 333Z Bonifay, FL 32425
Neal Cleghorn Cleghorn & Son Dairy #2 Route 2, Box 178N Clewiston, FL 33440	A. B. Thien Dairy 12201 Kings Road Jacksonville, FL 32219	Corwith Davis Yellow Water Ranch Box 52, Ortega Station Jacksonville, FL 32210

Norman Nickerson Dairy
Route 1, Box 305
Wauchula, FL 33873

Proctor Dairy
Route 1, Box 17
Zolfo Springs, FL 33890

James H. Hendrie
H & H Dairy #1
P.O. Box 358
Venus, FL 33960

O. W. Goolsby
Sandy Gully Dairy
1939 NE Lakeview Avenue
Sebring, FL 33870

O. W. Goolsby
Triple G. Dairy
1939 SE Lakeview Avenue
Sebring, FL 33870

Jose Angel Rodriquez
R & B Dairy
Route 3, Box 585
Sanford, FL 32771

Koehn Dairy
Star Route B, Box 385
Walnut Hill, FL 32568

Howard Nickerson
White Owl Dairy
Route 5, Box 149X
Live Oak, FL 32060

John F. Carter
Green Oak Dairy
Route 1, Box 67 A-9
McAlpin, FL 32062

Thomas Brothers Dairy
Route 1
Mayo, FL 32066

James K. Mills Dairy
Route 3, Box 279
Live Oak, FL 32060

John M. McCullers
McCullers Farms
Route 2, Box 922
Okeechobee, FL 33472

James L. Legg
Turnpike Dairy
P.O. Box 395
Palm City, FL 33490

Hans Sorenson Dairy
Route 2, Box 93-A
Monticello, FL 32344

Sandra Skehan
Win-D-Oaks
2905 Youngs Road
Leesburg, FL 32748

Leon N. Lockhart
Lockhart's Dairy
10020 SW 105th Street
Ocala, FL 32671

Frank Denham &
Carl Sheffield
D & S Dairy
4700 NW 16th Place
Gainesville, FL 32601

24 MONTHS

L. E. Jones
Jones Dairy
9820 Plummer Road
Jacksonville, FL 32219

Marmarada Farm
11855 VC Johnson Road
Jacksonville, FL 32218

M & M Dairy
12094 New Berlin Road
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Ericson's Dairy
Route 2, Box 231
Wauchula, FL 33873

Richard J. McKenney
Hoosier Dairy
8933 Park Byrd Road
Lakeland, FL 33805

Ferrell Dairy
Route 4, Box 432
Okeechobee, FL 33472

H. W. Rucks & Sons #1
P.O. Box 95
Okeechobee, FL 33472

Blue Jay Farm
Route 1, Box 572A
Brooksville, FL 33512

Wesley Sandlin
Sandlin's Dairy
Route 2, Box 403
Hawthorne, FL 32640

Jerry Campbell
Sandridge Dairy
739 Lake Asbury Route
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043

36 MONTHS

J. E. Walden Dairy
Route 1, Box 2040
Plant City, FL 33566

David & Judith Solger
S & S Greenwood Farms
Route 1, Box 157-B
Chipley, FL 32428

Thomas J. Adams
Adams & Sons Dairy
Route 1, Box 1170
Glen St. Mary, FL 32040

Wyatt Shaw Dairy
Route 2, Box 123
Mayo, FL 32066

Theo Berman and
James Hazel
Davie Dairy, Inc.
Route 1, Box 1845
Okeechobee, FL 33472

James L. Davis
McArthur Farms, Inc. #2
Route 2, Box 457
Okeechobee, FL 33472

48 MONTHS

E. Wayne Wiggins
Wiggins Dairy
Route 1, Box 1578
Plant City, FL 33566

Con-Dale Farm Dairy
Route 1, Box 1361
Anthony, FL 32617

84 MONTHS

Wallace Eicher
Eicher Dairy
Route 1, Box 175
McDavid, FL 32568

108 MONTHS

Max W. Brantley, Jr.
Brantley's Dairy
3820 Turtle Mound Road
Melbourne, FL 32905

River Dairy
2642 Flowing Well Road
Deland, FL 32720

150 MONTHS

Ray N. Fields
Square D Dairy
Route 2, Box 252-A
Dade City, FL 33525

ORGANIZATIONS SPONSORING THE DAIRY PRODUCTION CONFERENCE

1. Upper Florida Milk Producers Association
2. Tampa IDFA
3. South Florida IDFA
4. U.S. Sugar Corporation - Milk & Coffee Breaks
5. Cargill, Nutrena Feed Division - Expenses for the two California speakers, John Siebert and Doug Maddox

COMPANIES HAVING DISPLAYS AT
THE DAIRY PRODUCTION CONFERENCE

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| 1. Ag Bag Corp. of Florida
Book Cunningham
Rt. 1, Box 7008
Crystal River, FL 32629 | 9. Donovan Enterprises, Inc.
Rob Cherry
3461 SW Palm City School Avenue
Palm City, FL 33490 |
| 2. AID Laboratories, Inc.
J. R. Graves
P.O. Box 1607
Okeechobee, FL 33472 | 10. Elanco Products Company
Denise Lasher
17807 Rivendel Road
Lutz, FL 33549 |
| 3. Alfa-Laval & Southern Dairy Supply
Paul Tracy
3857 Conga Street
Jacksonville, FL 32217 | 11. Fogleman Welding & Fabrication
Works, Inc.
Boyd Fogleman
2170 Herron Road
Whitsett, NC 27377 |
| 4. American Cyanamid Company
David Liddell
P.O. Box 1702
Gainesville, FL 32602 | 12. George M. Manter
George M. Manter
4138 Piper Drive
Jacksonville, FL 32207 |
| 5. American Breeders Service
Nils Ericson
P.O. Box 5986
Lakeland, FL 33803 | 13. Miller Machinery & Supply Co.
Ellis Gullede
606 N. Parrott Avenue
Okeechobee, FL 33472 |
| 6. Babson Brothers Co.
Bill Isaacs
2839 Lenora Road
Snellville, GA 30278 | 14. Miracle Feeds, Inc.
Mark Pate
11111 N. 30th Street
Tampa, FL 33612 |
| 7. CEVA Laboratories
John Olsen or Chris Mudd
10551 Barkley, Suite 500
Overland Park, KS 66212 | 15. Moorman Mfg. Company
Charles Winstead
P.O. Box 1C
Quincy, IL 62301 |
| 8. Dairy Farms Inc.
Beth Mahaffey or Bronson Lane
P.O. Box 7854
Orlando, FL 32854 | 16. NOBA, Inc.
Don Hanson
P.O. Box 374
Interlachen, FL 32048 |

17. Pillsbury Company
Gene Klotz
3422 Sylvester Road
Albany, GA 31705
18. Pine Point Farms
Ed Pedrick
RFD #1, Box 34
Quitman, GA 31643
19. Sire Power, Inc.
Cynthia Long Ambrutis
RD #2
Tunkhannock, PA 18657
20. Specialty Feeds Company
Ken Denison
1301 Estatewood Drive
Brandon, FL 33511
21. Suntec Paint, Inc.
Joseph Anderson
P.O. Drawer DD
Gainesville, FL 32602
22. TUCO
Frank Rowley
Rt. 6, Box 911
Lake City, FL 32055
23. University of Florida Vet College
Jan Shearer
J136 JHMHC
Gainesville, FL 32611
24. VA/NC Select Sires
Danny Yant
1428 Rosecrans Lane
Green Cove Springs, FL 32043
25. Wayne Feed Div. Continental Grain Co.
Roger Vaught
P.O. Box 510
Auburn, AL 36830
26. West-Falia Systemat
Jim Abercrombie
Box 642
Clemson, SC 29633