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Windowless Hog House Caters To Hog Comfort

Hearing of 480 hogs in a thing in the new feeding windowless house one might operation is the appetite of conjure up all sorts of wild the pigs. They eat and grow pictures but there is nothing lazy like all pigs but they will wiled about the pig feeding never have a chance to roll operation of William Beam in the mud out near Morgantown.

The slatted floors in each pen will serve to keep the ment hog feeding operation pigs clean and free of dirt, but for the man who likes to see hogs enjoying the luxury of a bath on hot days the new hog house has another answer. The pigs may never loll in the mud but when the Beam this week as we inspected the shiny new installation on an old farm within sight of the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

Perhaps old farm is no an accurate term but when compared to the new building most of the rest of the farm is conventional.

About the only conventional Pigs in Beam's modern plant will hardly ever see the world furthermore they will hardly see the outside world at all.

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CONTROLLING THE TEMPERATURE AND HUMIDITY is easily done in the pig feeding operation shown here. William Beam adjusts the thermostatic controls which control the 12-ventilating fans. Overhead can be seen the air intake doors made of plastic with zippers which can be closed in extremely cold weather. Just above the controls can be seen the nozzles which sprinkle a fine mist of water over the hogs during extremely hot weather. On the ceiling is a plastic covering which protects the rock wool insulation under the aluminum roof.

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Cloister Future Farmers Hold First Parents' Night Program

The Cloister chapter of Future Farmers of America at Ephrata High School held a "Parents Night" and open house Wednesday night in the school auditorium and agriculture department.

Jerry Snader, first president of the new chapter welcomed the 48 members and parents to the first such meeting at the school.

Thomas H. Malin, area ad-

visor of FFA presented the National FFA Foundation awards. Chapter Star Farmer was Martin Wenrich, Denver R2 who also received the award for Farm Electrician. Thomas Spittler was named Star Greenhand of the chapter.

Other Foundation awards were as follows: Dairy farming, Ray Kline, Denver R2; Livestock farming, David Hensey, Sheridan R1; Poultry farming, Glenn Stauffer, Latitz R3; Soil and water conservation, Jerry Snader, Ephrata R1; Public speaking, Ronald Kline, Denver R2; Farm mechanics, Kenneth Spade, Denver R2; and Crop farming, Daniel Wenger.

James Metzler, representing PP&L presented a letter of commendation to Jerry Snader, who won the Keystone Farmer Degree in January.

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4-H Club Leaders To Hold Meet

All county 4-H leaders are invited to attend a meeting on Monday, April 30 in the cafeteria of the Penn Manor High School.

Members of the Leaders Council will be in charge of the meeting which has been called for the purpose of considering the changes of 4-H clubs from "agent-dependent" clubs to leader-dependent clubs.

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Octorara Wins Chester County FFA Contest

A team of sharp looking and quick thinking Future Farmers from Octorara High School led all competition in the Chester-Delaware Area FFA Parliamentary Procedure Contest this week.

George Blevins, Oxford R2, Octorara High School, was the winner in the Public Speaking contest held in conjunction with the team competition.

Octorara and Oxford switched places in the runner-up spots with three men from Oxford running a close second in the Parliamentary Procedure test.

Nathan Smoker, Cochranville R1, a member of the Octorara team finished behind Blevins in the public speaking contest.

Members of the Octorara team were Leslie Walter, Cochranville; Nevin Stoltnus, Atglen; Timothy Vincent, Cochranville; Arnold King, Atglen; Joseph Kaurman, Atglen; William Gerson, Cochranville; Richard Klingler, Parkesburg; and Smoker.

Blevins was also on the Oxford Parliamentary Procedure team.

Judging the public speaking were Byron Judy, principal of the Octorara High School, the host school, William Haag, Chester County Production Credit Association, and Robert Herr, teacher of vocational agriculture.

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Manheim FFA Chapter Honors 2 At Parent And Son Banquet

Two honorary chapter members of the four 1962 Keystone degree winners with the golden Farmers of America at the annual banquet Thursday night.

Dr. Henry Bucher, supervising principal of the Manheim Central School District was honored for his cooperation in the program of the chapter, and Mr. John Bruehart, a farmer of Manheim R1 was awarded the degree for his cooperation in the training program of the chapter.

Main speaker of the evening was David Martin, Student Secretary of the State Association of Future Farmers of America. Martin is from Denver R1.

Dairymen Promote Milk With Scoreboard

A joint committee of Lions Club and Rotary Club members with the encouragement of dairymen in the southern part of the county are spearheading a project to raise funds to erect a scoreboard on the Solanco High School athletic field.

The electric scoreboard, when erected will have the slogan "USE MORE MILK" across the top.

In a letter to leaders in the dairy industry the committee said "a soft drink company had indicated they would purchase the scoreboard and place their slogan thereon."

The dairymen of the Solanco area felt it would be a good opportunity to advertise milk rather than soft drink, since this is an important agricultural product of the Solanco area.

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FIVE-DAY WEATHER FORECAST

Saturday - Wednesday

Temperature during the next five days are expected to average near the normal range of 45 at night to 67 in the afternoon. It will be warm at the beginning of the period turning cooler Monday with little day to day change thereafter. Precipitation may total 0.1 inch falling mainly as scattered showers late Sunday or Monday. The 89 degree temperature this week was 20 degrees above the normal for this time of year.

Farm Calendar

April 30 — 5 p.m. — 4-H Leaders meeting at Penn Manor High School

May 1 — 10 a.m. — Opening sale of Garden Spot Equipment Auction near Lincoln Rd Rt. 322

May 3 — 9 a.m. — Region II Future Farmers of America Public Speaking and Parliamentary Procedure contest at the Millersville State College

9:30 a.m. — County Home-makers at Quarryville fire hall sponsored by the Extension Service

4 p.m. — County senior extension club meets at Production Credit Bldg., Roseville Rd. Glenn Porter will show slides of his IFYE trip to Nepal

May 5 — 7:30 p.m. — 4-H Spring Jamboree for all county 4-H members and families in the East Petersburg Elementary School.