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FFA Chapter Presents \$350 To Farm & Home

The Lampeter Strasburg High School FFA Chapter presented a \$350 check to the Lancaster County Farm & Home Foundation Thursday evening, at their annual Parent and Son Banquet held in the school cafeteria. David Mohrer made the presentation to B. Snively Garber.

A gold medal in record book competition was won by James High Henry Givler, Area Vo-Ag Supervisor, made this presentation. High also won the Production Credit Award, Dairy Farming - Queen Dairy Award (also won last year); was the high Junior and Senior Seed Salesman and was recognized as one of the Keystone Farmers.

Clair Esbenschade was named the Red Rose Star Chapter Farmer, Paul Eckman was named Chapter Star Farmer and Clair Witwer is the Star Green Hand.

The Sears Gilt awards went to Glenn Lavengood and Witwer.

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Farmers' Assn. Plan Meeting

The Lancaster County Farmers' Association has announced an annual spring meeting to be held March 26 at the new Farm & Home Center, Arcadia Road. Time for the meeting is 7:30 p.m.

According to Noah W. Wenger, president, the speakers for this educational meeting will be Charles Ord, administrative secretary, and Chester Heim, legislative director, both from the Pennsylvania Farmers' Association. They will speak on the theme "You Can't Go It Alone."

Farm Calendar

Sunday, March 17

17-21 - National Farmers Union Annual Convention, Minneapolis, Minn.

-Lancaster Pony Club meet, John Gibson Farm

Monday, March 18

1:00 p.m. - Lancaster County Swine Producers Assn Spring Carcass & Evaluation Contests, Vintage Sales Stable

7:30 - Manheim Young Farmers meet, (corn production), Vo-Ag Room

8:00 p.m. - 4-H Redevelopment Fund Committee meet, Farm & Home Center

Tuesday, March 19

7:30 p.m. - Lincoln Community 4-H Club meet, Mt Airy Fire Hall

7:30 p.m. - Cattle Feeder meet, Farm & Home Center

7:30 p.m. - Wayne Dairy meet, Lawn Fire Hall

7:30 p.m. - Garden Spot Adult Farmer meet, Vo-Ag Room

7:30 p.m. - Farm & Home Foundation Board meet, Farm & Home Center

7:30 p.m. - 4-H Tractor Maintenance Club Round-up, Lancaster

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DANIEL BURKHART took office practice for his work experience in the Vo-Ag Course under the direction of Phillip Oglie at the Garden Spot High School. The seniors at the school are working several afternoons a week to gain experience in Agri-Business.

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Eggs Should Be In Every American Refrigerator

Shouldn't every refrigerator in America have eggs on its shelf?

Dr Cecil E Howes, head of the Department of Poultry Science, Virginia Polytechnic Institute, thinks they should. Speaking at the final educational meeting of the current series sponsored by the Lancaster County Poultry Association on Wednesday evening, Howes said, "We have a good product and we should 'cackel' about it. We don't tell people what we have."

The Virginia professor accused the poultry enterprise of simply taking orders and not really "selling" the product - not advertising all the good qualities of eggs and poultry. "As long as you simply take orders you are not marketing," he said.

In a table of comparative perfect value foods Howes listed human milk at 95%, eggs at 94, cow's milk 90, beef, 76, potatoes, 67 and corn, 60.

He said that you know milk is nature's most perfect food because dairymen have advertised it to be. But the professor showed where eggs are actually more perfect than cow's milk. "There is nothing phony about the war on hunger," Howes said. He showed where land in

North America and a part of South America are the only land places where food production can be expanded.

The lively speaker showed slides along with his presentation to show "Our Industry -

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Agriculture Students Are Exploring Agri-Business

Sixteen senior vocational agriculture students at Garden Spot High School in New Holland are now participating in the 1968 Agri-Business Work Experience Program under the direction of Phillip Oglie, Vo-Ag Teacher in charge.

The boys start their senior class work by exploring careers in Agriculture. At this time the study centers around full details of the farm situation and the opportunities to be a farmer.

Then they actually (on paper) buy a farm, finance and farm it for a year, keeping all records and making reports on their transactions. They take field trips and have experts in every area of the farming enterprise into the class room to increase the effectiveness of the course.

Now, they are taking a look at business off the farm. "To let the boys see the alternatives," as Oglie says, "Many times he ends up thinking it's best at home."

Each senior has the chance to choose the type of work experience in the Agri-Business world that he would like to try. This year a boy on a small farm wanted to work on a larger farm.

Possible employers are contacted in the interest fields and each boy actually applies for a job and is accepted or rejected the same as any other job seeker.

This year the starting date for the project was February 26 and it will end March 22. The boys work on-the-job. Monday, (Continued on Page 6)

Former Local Dairyman Speaks On Dairy Management Problems

Dairymen were told Tuesday, that they must have a balance among eight factors in dairy farming.

Samuel Dum, Farm Management Specialist from Penn State and a former Lancaster County dairyman, speaking to 300 dairymen at the annual Dairy Day, held at the Guernsey Sales Pavilion, listed these factors in dairy profit or loss: Size; Production; Feed costs; Investment; Labor efficiency; Records, Production program, and Prices.

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Under production costs Dum said feed amounted to 50 percent of the total. And DHIA records for 1966 showed herds that had 9,500 pounds of milk per cow had only \$238 above feed costs whereas those having 12,000 pounds made \$336 per head.

over feed cost. He said the \$336 level was the average.

The herds having 16,800 pounds of milk per head had \$517. over feed costs. "It is my contention," the specialist said, "that many herds in the state can produce at the 15,000 pound level." (Continued on Page 9)

Combine Meeting Of Young Farmers To Be Held Tuesday

A combined meeting of the Penn Manor and the Ephrata Young Farmers will be held Tuesday, March 19 in the Penn Manor Vo-Ag room at Millersville. The subject for discussion will be wise credit use.

A panel discussion will feature George Lewis, Conestoga Bank; Stanley Musselman, Farmers Bank; and Carl Brown, Production Credit.



POULTRY MEETING PRINCIPALS. Carl Brown (second from left) received a plaque from the Lancaster County Poultry Association Wednesday night, at their educational meeting, for service and use of the Farm Credit Build-

ing as a meeting place. John Hess, president, made the presentation. Dr. Cecil E. Howes, (left) was the featured speaker and Allen B. Graybill, vice-president, (right) was in charge of the meeting.

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