

# Chester County 4-H Hog Show

Janet Petersheim, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Petersheim, Elverson, exhibited the grand champion pig and reserve champion pen of three pigs at the

Chester-Delaware Counties 4-H pig show and sale. The event was held recently at the Vintage Sales Stables, Vintage. The reserve grand champion

pig was exhibited by Charlene Beam, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Omar Beam, Elverson. William Beam, son of Mr. and Mrs. Titus Beam, Elverson exhibited the

champion pen of three pigs at the show.

In the fitting and showmanship contest two brothers, William and Douglas Beam, were named champion and reserve champion junior showman respectively. In the senior division Lynn Cox, Delaware County was named champion while Ralph Brumbly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brumbly, Nottingham was named reserve champion showman.

At the 4-H pig sale M. Shane, Inc., Chester, purchased the grand champion pig for 95 cents a pound. The reserve champion pig was purchased by Hatfield

Packing Company, Hatfield, for 60 cents a pound.

Other buyers supporting the sale were: Penn Packing, Philadelphia; John Huber, East Earl, Ira Nissley, Morgantown; E. W. Martin, Lancaster; H. E. Eastburn, Mt. Cuba, Del; Leidy Meats, Soudertown; and Hershey Abatoir, Hershey. Fifty-five pigs were sold weighing an average of 195 pounds selling for an average price of 34 cents a pound.

The 4-H Swine project is one segment of the 4-H program, conducted by the Chester County Cooperative Extension Service and The Pennsylvania State University.

Members in the swine project receive instruction from Omar Beam, Elverson, and Jack Wiegand, Glen Moore, volunteer adult leaders who donate their time to this youth activity.



Two brothers, Douglas, right, and William Beam, left, Elverson, were named champion and reserve champion junior showman at the Chester-Delaware

Counties 4-H Hog Show. Pictured with the 4-H'ers is David Kantner, associate Bucks County agent, who was judge for the event.



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## CORN IS CORN??

I used to think that corn was corn, and that's that. 't'aunt so. There's five different grades, I was told, ranging from 8.4 per cent protein to 9.1 per cent protein, and 73.9 per cent t.d.n. to 81.9 per cent t.d.n. Not only that, but most feed ingredients can vary, or come in different forms or values. For instance there is five ways to buy brewer's grains, twelve different kinds of distillers products, eight kinds of fish meals, seven kinds of linseed meals, seven kinds of molasses, five kinds of oats, seven kinds of soy bean meals, seven kinds of tankage, and twenty-four different kinds of wheat products, I was told. And too, I was told, there is 400 plus, other ingredients to choose from. Things like velvet beans, whale meat, starfish meal, skimmilk, pigeon-grass seed, olive pulp, hegar head chops (huh?), and ammoniated furfural residue. Whew!

Seems to me a farmer better get to know his feed company, what, with so many pit-falls and opportunities around, who knows what we're getting or missing out on?

Kinda makes a body wonder, don't it?



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