

Montgomery Co. 4-H sheep club in Regional

KIMBERTON, Pa. - The Southeast Pennsylvania 4-H Sheep Show was held Sept. 25th, at the Kimberton Fair Grounds, Kimberton, Pa.

The Southeast District is composed of the following counties: Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton and Philadelphia.

To be eligible to show an animal or participate in the blocking contest, a 4-H member must be a blue ribbon winner in a local Round-Up.

Montgomery County had ten 4-H members participate on the Regional level.

In the 4-H Senior Showmanship (age 14 or older) Montgomery Co. took a 5th place with Nancy Haentze, Skippack, with her Hampshire Yearling. While in 4-H Junior Showmanship (under age 14) Robert Blum of Harleysville placed 4th with his Suffolk Yearling. In the last category for First Year Showmanship, Julie Miller, Harleysville, received a 5th place green ribbon exhibiting her Hampshire lamb.

Moving on to the Breeding Classes, Irene Landis,

Souderton, placed 5th in the Hampshire Ewe lamb category. The Hampshire Yearling Ewe category found Nancy Haentze taking second and third place honors with her sheep.

Next to be judged were Montgomery County 4-H members who participated in the Suffolk Ewe lamb category. Again Irene Landis received a 5th place green ribbon. Robert Blum was the next winner for Montgomery County with his Suffolk Yearling Ewe also placing 5th.

In the Commercial Ewe Lamb class, Juliet Kagno, Lafayette Hill, placed 3rd with a white ribbon. In the Commercial Aged Ewe class, Nancy Haentze, showing a Corriedale Ewe, won a blue ribbon and a 4th place yellow ribbon went to Kit Jones, Limerick, with a Hampshire Ewe. When champions of the Commercial Class were judged, Nancy Haentze received the Reserve Champion rosette.

Something new this year was a Pair Class. Exhibitors could show any two sheep of the same breed that

had received blue ribbons as a pair. In this class Nancy Haentze showed a pair of Hampshire Yearlings to place 4th with a yellow ribbon.

Last event of the day was the Blocking Contest. In Junior Blocking, Kit Jones took the honors for Montgomery County by placing 4th in a class of twelve. This is the event where the 4-H member gets a lamb right

out of the field and is given one hour in which to card, trim, clip, etc. and make the sheep as presentable as he can in that amount of time.

Other Montgomery County 4-H members who participated in the Regional were; Ricky Schwenk, Souderton; Pam Miller, Harleysville; Valerie Kagno, Lafayette Hill; Bob Greenwood, Phoenixville and Kathy Haentze, Skippack.

Young Farmers meeting planned

EPHRATA, Pa. - The first regular monthly meeting of the Ephrata Young Farmers will be held on Tuesday evening, October 19, at 7:45 p.m. in the vocational agriculture department of the Ephrata High School. The meeting will include a review of past activities and a discussion of coming events.

Following the business meeting conducted by EAYFA president Tom Zartman and other association officers, a discussion of animal health

problems will be the featured topic of the evening.

Dr. Walter Trumbauer, Ephrata area veterinarian, will discuss parasite problems and new developments in animal health.

EAYFA members and area livestock producers are invited to attend this timely meeting. Refreshments will be served.

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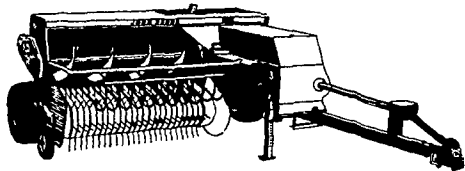
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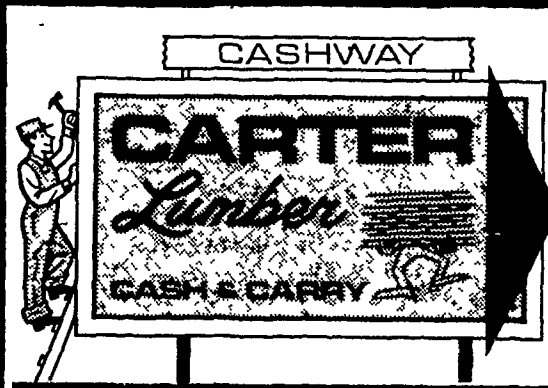
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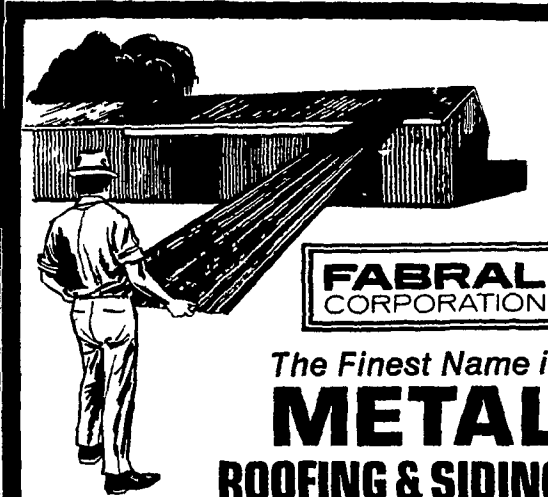
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