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Henkel is livestockman of the year

HARRISBURG - John H. Henkel, Strasburg R1, was named Livestock Man of the Year at the annual awards banquet of the Keystone Livestock International Exposition Tuesday night at the Host Inn, Harrisburg. The exposition is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Livestock Association in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the Pennsylvania Farm Show Commission. Henkel, who owns and operates the Willow Glen Farm, raises Yorkshire pigs. He received a plaque from the Pennsylvania Livestock Association as an

award. Last year's man of the year award was given to Ben Morgan who is serving as co-chairman of this year's exposition. The award was inaugurated in 1972.

In presenting the award, Max M. Smith, chairman of the Association's Awards Committee cited Henkel's activity on behalf of the swine industry beyond his personal herd of Yorkshire pigs at Willow Glen Farm. He has served as president of the Lancaster County Swine Producers and the Pennsylvania Pork Producers' Council. He's been a director of the Cooperative Swine Producers Association, the

Council and is now chairman of that group's Policy Committee. Henkel was also instrumental in organizing the Pennsylvania Pork Producers' Council.

Henkel accepted his plaque with obvious modesty, as Smith - who incidentally is also Lancaster County's Agricultural Agent - described him as "a real leader in the Pennsylvania swine industry who has received national recognition as well."

The humbled award recipient proclaimed: "It takes good help at home to win this kind of an award, a good family, and most im-

portantly, a good wife. I thank you very much!"

Henkel is a graduate of Rutgers University, having earned both his B.S. and M.S. degrees from that institution. A great supporter of pork producers' promotional programs, Henkel was very instrumental in drumming up

support for the 10-cent check-off program enacted earlier this year. He has been a member of the NPPC national executive board for 10 years, serving as chairman for two of those years.

Dedicated to the industry, the New Jersey native keeps 125 purebred Yorkshire sows on his 30-acre farm between

Strasburg and Quarryville in southern Lancaster County. He sells a number of his animals for breeding purposes.

A unique and major aspect of Henkel's hog operation is that it deals directly with research. Specifically, research aimed at the

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Youth awards presented

By DIETER KRIEG

HARRISBURG - A highly successful York County 4-H member and a former state FFA officer from Lancaster County were honored here on Tuesday night by the Pennsylvania Livestock Association as outstanding youths in the Commonwealth.

Linda Ebaugh, daughter of

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Ebaugh, Delta R2, received the Outstanding 4-H Youth Award for her accomplishments in school, community and club activities. Miss Ebaugh, 17, has been a state winner in 4-H

leadership plaque, and was recognized this Fall as the outstanding youth at the York Inter-State Fair.

Known for her interests and accomplishments with sheep, the York Countain has had some of her work earn top recognition at such prestigious events as the

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Top FFA degrees given

KANSAS CITY, Mo. - The American Farmer Degree is the highest degree bestowed upon any member of the Future Farmers of America organization. Last week, 21 men from Pennsylvania were honored for their achievements by receiving this award in Kansas City at the 49th National FFA Convention, there.

The 1976 American Farmer Degree winners from the Commonwealth are: Larry R. Cogan, Somerset R5; Gary L. Fry, Middleburg R2, Selinsgrove Chapter; Glenn Simon Gingrich, Lebanon, Cedar Crest Chapter; Gary M. Hillegass, Berlin R3, Brothersvalley Chapter; Scott M. Hitz, Annville R1,

Little Dutchmen Chapter; Dan K. Hogeland, Newmanstown R1, Eastern Lebanon County Chapter; Kevin Holsopple, Windber R1, Johnstown Vo-Tech Agriculturalists' Assn. Chapter; Ronald Ned Jacob, Indiana R4; United Chapter; Thomas A. Kibbe, Harrison

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Berks man heads PYFA

By JUDY MITCHELL
Berks Co. Reporter

KUTZTOWN, Pa. - One Kutztown area chapter member was elected president of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association and a second was named State Outstanding Young Farmer at the association's convention held in Altoona recently.

Richard W. Hoppes of Hamburg R2, was elected

president of the state association following his term as vice president of Region II of the PYFA. Hoppes has also previously served two years as public relations director and three years as editor of the organization's magazine publication.

Hoppes owns and operates a 25-acre farm, crops an additional 225 acres of rented land, and has 50 registered

Holsteins and 30 replacement heifers.

In addition to his PYFA activities, Hoppes is a director for the Berks County DHIA and is a member of a number of farm organizations. He is also associated with the Lehigh Valley Cooperative Farmers, Interstate Milk Producers, and Agway, Inc.

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PFA meeting concluded

GETTYSBURG, Pa. - The Pennsylvania Farmers' Association (PFA) conferred Distinguished Service Awards to three men on Tuesday evening during a ceremony which took place at the Sheraton International Inn, here, where PFA is conducting its 26th annual meeting to set policy and elect new leaders.

PFA is a general farm organization with 20,313 family members, and is

affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation. The awards were presented to George A. Goodling, John R. Pitzer and Wayne Stainbrook.

Goodling is a former legislator who served seven terms in the State House of Representatives and six terms in the U.S. Congress where he was a member of the House Agriculture Committee. A native of Loganville, he operated a

fruit farm and is editor and publisher of "Pennsylvania Fruit News". He is the father of six children including Congressman William Goodling.

Pitzer has been the president of PFA since 1969. He is not seeking re-election. In addition to being an Adams County orchardist, he is a community leader active in church, school and

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Max Smith presents Livestockman of the Year award to Lancaster County swine producer, John Henkel.



Linda Ebaugh



Lloyd Hoover

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