

Bomgardner has carcass show champ

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Charles Bomgardner of Blue Mountain View Farms, Annville, a purebred Hampshire breeder in business with his father and two brothers, was named grand champion of the Tri-County Pork Producers' carcass show last Saturday evening at that group's annual dinner meeting. Although Bomgardner won the award individually, he pointed out that the trophy is the family's honor since they are all involved in the business. Each member of the clan has a main

responsibility on the farm, and Charles' is taking care of the hogs. Blue Mountain View Farms has 45 sows. The final scores for the contest were computed by adding the ham-loin percentage, the visual score, and twice the daily gain of each animal. Bomgardner's animal averaged a 1.31 pound daily gain, a 31.5 ham-loin percentage, and an on-foot score of 3.25.

Reserve champion honors went to William Herring of Schuylkill Haven. Herring's animal averaged 1.38 pounds per day, had a 30.5 ham-loin

percentage and had a visual score of 4.0.

Third place in the contest went to Elwood Houser, Lebanon P.O., fourth to Dennis Loy, Pine Grove; and fifth to William Herring.

Also during the evening's festivities, the pork producers elected new members to the board of directors for the coming year. The Tri-County organization consists of the three counties of Lebanon, Schuylkill, and Dauphin and has two directors representing each county.

Christian Seaman, Grantville, and Leon Arnold, Lebanon, now represent Lebanon County; Clair Hartman, Gratz, and Douglas Hancock, Hershey,

represent Dauphin County and Dennis Loy, Pine Grove and Leroy Hinkle, Ashland, represent Schuylkill County. Directors at large are Elwood Houser, Lebanon, Larry Arnold, Myerstown, and Francis Willier, Pitman.

Also chosen at Saturday evening's meeting were executive officers for the organization. Larry Arnold, was chosen president; Dennis Loy, vice president; and Christian Seaman, secretary-treasurer.

The entertainment for the banquet was provided by Eugene Wengert and his wife from St. Thomas. The Wengerts went on a People to People tour of Europe, and showed slides of their trip to the pork producers.



Larry Arnold, left, president of the board of directors for the Tri-County Pork Producers, congratulates Charles Bomgardner for exhibiting the grand champion hog of the Tri-County carcass show.



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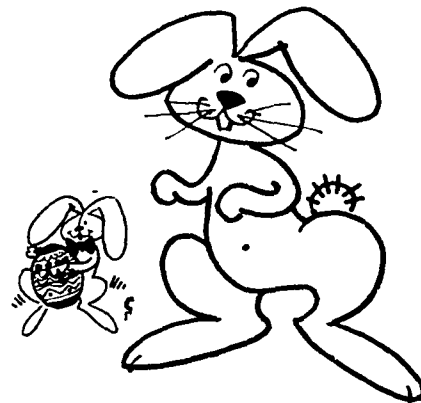
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