

Montgomery Co.

Livestock supporters honored

MORRISTOWN, Pa. — Local supporters of the 4-H livestock program were honored recently at the Montgomery County 4-H Livestock Club achievement night.

"Friends of 4-H" certificates were presented to buyers who purchased 4-H project steers during the past year. "Maloney Auto Body" of Eagleville, bought the prize winning steer owned by Ted Teaford, Trappe. Ted's crossbred steer placed first in its division at the junior steer show of the State Farm Show in Harrisburg. Representing Maloney Auto Body were

Sharon and Patti Maloney of Eagleville.

"Lederach Station", a new restaurant in the Lederach area, purchased the other 4-H Farm Show entry owned and raised by Doug Rumberger of Collegeville. The restaurant featured the beef from the prime steer at their St. Patrick's Day festivities. Terry Crosson, Lederach, represented Lederach Station at the awards program.

Other buyers were also recognized for their support in buying steers shown and sold at the regional 4-H Beef Show at Lancaster. William Elliot, Arcola, bought the

steer owned by Cindy Waltmeyer of Collegeville; Earl Moffitt, Philadelphia, purchased Debbie Rohr's (Hatfield) steer; while the 4-H beef supper bought the animals raised by Jon Rohr, Hatfield, and Roy Teaford, Royersford.

Also receiving "Friend Certificates" were: Earl Waltmeyer, Collegeville, for help in obtaining buyers; and to Norm Moyer, Perkiomenville, and the Perkiomenville Sales Stables for help in conducting various 4-H animal shows and sales.

Several firms also received a certificate for

their donation of time and manpower in helping with the club's annual baby beef supper. These included Hatfield Packing Co.; represented by Gordon Alderfer, Harleysville; Grams Meats of Harleysville, represented by Gordon Alderfer, Harleysville; and to T. M. Landis Packing Co., Mainland, represented by Dayton Landis, Harleysville area.

One of the highlights of the evening was as presentation of plaques to the outgoing 4-H leaders in appreciation for their many years of service to the livestock club. Receiving awards were Loran Connor, Rahns; Gordon Alderfer, Harleysville; and Charles Mentzer, Royersford.

Several new leaders were also welcomed and given 4-H leader cards. New leaders included Barry and Miriam Rumberger, Collegeville; Tom Leidy, Souderton; Ron Myers, Souderton; and Debbie Rohr, Hatfield.

Officers and teen leaders for 1977 will be: president, Ted Teaford, Trappe; vice-president, Andrew Leidy, Souderton; and secretary, Wendy Kunda, Royersford.

Debbie Rohr, Hatfield, received a special "graduating senior gift" from the club members and leaders.

Dairy club slates dairy expo

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — The Dairy Science Club at Penn State University will sponsor its 52nd Dairy Exposition on May 7. The day-long show will be held in the Dairy Production Center, here. Featured will be a variety of professional and amateur fitting and showing contests, along with several special events.

Traditionally preceding "show day" are the Dairy Cattle Judging Contest and the Dairy Princess Contest. Cattle judging took place April 16th, under the supervision of Larry Aaron, Quarryville.

Ed A. Parsons, Pennsylvania Furnace, is chairman of the day's special events. Included will be sorority and celebrity milking contests, fraternity and independent milk

"chugging" contests, and a calf dressing contest.

Donald L. Ace of State College, this year's Dairy Expo dedicatee, is a Penn State graduate. He received both bachelor and master of science degrees from Penn State with a major in dairy nutrition and is currently an Extension dairy specialist.

Concluding the Exposition festivities will be the annual awards banquet held the evening of May 7th in the Ballroom of the Hetzel Union Building. The purpose of this dinner is to recognize Donald Ace, and present prizes to contest winners. Also, the Robert H. Rumler Award, the Clyde N. Hall Award, and the William R. Davey Award will be presented to outstanding students for their college achievements.

NPC protests imports of Mexican peaches

MARTINSBURG, W. Va. — An announcement by USDA that it has issued a permit for the importation of fresh peaches from one area in Mexico has caused the National Peach Council to send a letter of protest to Secretary of Agriculture Bob Bergland.

USDA had put out a news release that it had issued a permit for importation of peaches from the Nuevo Casas Grandes area of Mexico through a firm in El Paso, Tex.

An estimated 300,000 boxes of peaches may come in under the permit this year, if it is allowed to stand. In the past, fresh peaches from Mexico have been barred because of the possibility of spreading Mexican fruit fly, a dangerous pest of citrus and soft fruits.

According to a news release from USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), the permit was issued to allow fruit to

be imported from only one isolated area known to be free of the Mexican fruit fly.

Peach growers in the southern part of the United States, and particularly in south Georgia where the Mexican fruit fly could overwinter if it ever became established, point out there is still some danger as long as the peaches cannot be treated to guarantee that none of the pests could survive the journey into the United States. Citrus can be treated, but the treatment would ruin fresh peaches.

National Peach Council has sent a strongly worded letter of protest to Secretary Bergland, asking that the import permit be withdrawn.



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