

## Berks 4-H'ers get new programs

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**LEESPORT** — The Berks County 4-H program started March 18 at the Berks County Agricultural Center with a day of workshops designed to introduce new programs and a review of 4-H projects of the past.

New leaders had the opportunity to attend workshops covering topics dealing with various

situations and how to make their total programs well rounded and interesting to the 4-H'ers. Two new programs being offered deal with radio and public affairs leadership. Barbara Straton, Extension assistant, explained the public affairs leadership program to teenagers between 16 and 19 years of age. This program is designed to get the older teens involved in their local government by teaching

leadership skills, community functions and problem solving methods. Participants in the program will also be encouraged to take part in practicum experiences in public leadership such as sitting in on a local planning commissions, attending a city council meeting or coordinating a local service project, and to also take several field trips to the County Courthouse, prison facilities, and municipal projects.

Other workshops dealt with play acting, making equipment for home recreation and new laws for cars and bicycles.

Senator Michael O'Pake attended the kick-off and informed the 4-H leaders of their importance and part in government. O'Pake explained to the group that government isn't all bad, but that what is heard by the public is the one per cent that is, as with many other things. The senator urged the young people to get involved by registering to vote when eligible, and encouraging them to get in-



Helping to get Berks County 4-H off to a good year were, left to right, Darvin Boyd of National Central Bank and Senator Michael O'Pake. With them is Berks County's Outstanding 4-H'er Janis Malsbury.

## Livestock market and auction news

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**CALVES** 4495. Compared to 4624 last week, 4625 a year ago. Vealers \$3 to 8 lower. Few Prime vealers 73.00-86.00, Choice 60.00-74.00, few to 80.00, Good 52.00-65.00, Standard & Good 110-130 lbs. 38.00-55.00, 90-110 lbs. 32.00-44.00, Standard 70-90 lbs. 28.00-35.00, Utility 50-110 lbs. 15.00-30.00.

**FARM CALVES:** Holstein bulls 90-120 lbs. 39.00-61.00, Holstein heifers 85-115 lbs. 34.00-60.00.

**HOGS** 7791. Compared to 8753 a week ago and 7138 a year ago. Barrows and gilts \$2-3 lower. US No. 1-2 200-240 lbs. barrows and gilts 47.00-49.25, No. 1-3 200-250 lbs. 45.00-47.50, No. 2-3 190-260 lbs. 44.00-46.50, No. 2-4 260-325 lbs. 40.00-44.25, No. 1-3 140-190 lbs. 37.00-43.00. **SOWS** \$1-2 lower. US No. 1-3 300-575 lbs. sows 37.00-41.00, No. 2-3 300-650 lbs. 30.00-37.00. **BOARS** 25.00-33.00.

**FEEDER PIGS** 1226. Compared to 1226 a week ago and 1273 a year ago. US No. 1-3 20-35 lbs. feeder pigs 19.00-38.00 per head, No. 1-3 35-50 lbs. 27.00-45.00, few No. 1-3 50-85 lbs. 45.00-52.00.

**GRADED FEEDER PIGS** 1305 head. All sales per hundredweight. Compared with 2477 last week, and 1154 a year ago. Mostly \$6-8 higher, spots to \$12 higher.

US 1-2 25-45 lbs. 117.00-127.00, 45-70 lbs. 91.00-119.00, 2-3 25-45 lbs. 100.00-122.00, 45-65 lbs. 84.00-100.00. Few 75-85 lbs. 75.00-76.00.

**SHEEP** 3655. Compared to 3010 a week ago, 584 a year ago. Bulk of supply spring slaughter lambs. Spring Choice 20-40 lbs. 90.00-140.00, 40-60 lbs. 75.00-115.00, 60-90 lbs. 65.00-85.00, Woolled Choice 70-90 lbs. 60.00-71.00, Good 60-110 lbs. 45.00-65.00, Slaughter ewes 10.00-27.50, few down to \$5.00.

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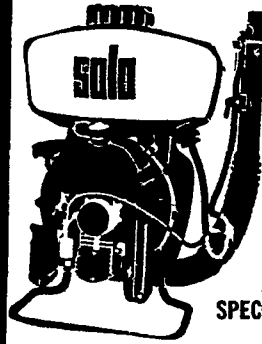
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involved in the grassroots of government.

Darvin Boyd, director of the Agri-financing Department of National Central Bank, sponsored the kick-off to recognize 4-H leaders and encourage the 4-H'ers to continue in this "very worthwhile program."

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