

Lancaster Co. FFA'ers win awards

LANCASTER - Garden Spot High School won a gold medal in the Lancaster County's project record book contest.

Brian Martin, New Holland R1 and Larry Martin, Denver R1, who are reporters for their production agriculture club, compiled the winning book.

The school's environmental FFA chapter had the bronze-winning scrapbook, done by sophomores Darlene Horning, Denver R1 and Lori Engle, New Holland.

The silver award for a scrapbook went to Penn Manor FFA.

Several other project book awards went to county club members. Winners and their high schools include:

One enterprise: John Zimmerman, Ephrata, gold; Dan Witwer, Garden Spot, gold; Dwight Herr, Solanco, silver; Kevin Zimmerman, Garden Spot, silver.

Two enterprises: Tom Kirk and Doug Hershberger, both of Solanco, gold; Ray Good, Ephrata, gold; Jeff DeLong and Mike Rhoads, both of Solanco, silver; Jim Hess, Manheim-Central, silver; Christna Bucher, Solanco, bronze; Ron Good, Ephrata, bronze; Doug Snavelly, Warwick, bronze.

Three enterprises: Kevin Smoker, Ephrata, gold; Gary Eberly, Solanco, silver; Mark Weiler, Ephrata, bronze.

Four enterprises: Tom Wentzel, Garden Spot, gold; Steve Hershey, Manheim-Central, silver; Barry Geib, Manheim-Central, bronze.

Five enterprises: Marvin Fox, Ephrata, gold; Tony Eberly, Ephrata, silver.

Six enterprises: Barbara Herr, Garden Spot, gold; Robert Fox, Ephrata, gold.

Conservation: Tammy Hornung, Garden Spot, gold.

On-farm work experience:

Brian Hess, Garden Spot, gold; Chris Riggs, Penn Manor, silver; David Farmer, Manheim, bronze.

Off-farm work experience: Maxine and Eileen Messner and Kenneth Wanner, all of Garden Spot, gold; J. Martin Hoover and Steve Strauss, both of Ephrata, silver; Cliff Reifsnyder, Garden Spot, silver; Chuck Zimmerman and Mike Martin, both of Garden Spot, bronze; David Stehman, Manheim-Central, bronze; Tim Brower, Ephrata, bronze.

Miscellaneous: Dana

Armbrust, Garden Spot, gold; Wanda Steffy, Garden

Spot, silver; Joe Good, Garden Spot, bronze.

Cattle Feeders meeting Feb. 21

HINKLETOWN - A cattle feeders meeting has been scheduled for February 21 at the Hinkletown Alternative School, by the Hinkletown Adult Farmer Program.

Jerry Hess, nutritionist for Young's Minerals, will be the speaker for the evening. He will be discussing the use of high silage rations in

cattle feeding, its advantages and disadvantages, what is needed to balance a ration of silage, and how best to feed silage.

Bill Brubaker from Organic Plant Food Company will also be on the program to discuss the use of cold flow amonia as an inexpensive protein source with silage rations.

slaughter steers

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grade 3 to 4, weighing 1075 to 1400 pounds brought 68.50 to 70.00, with a few in the early part of the week 67.60-68.50. Choice, mainly yield grade 2, 1050 to 1375 pounds, brought 68.25 to 70.00, with 25 head going for 70.00 to 71.00. Choice, yield grade 2 to 4, weighing 1000 to 1400 pounds, brought 66.00 to 68.50; and high Good and low Choice, yield grade 2 to 3 brought 64.00 to 66.75. Good, yield grade 2 to 3 sold for 62.75 to 65.50, and a few standard, yield grade 1 to 2 sold for 59.50 to 63.00.

The markets in Lancaster County found slaughter heifers about \$1.50 higher; cows 50 cents to \$1 higher; and bullocks and bulls mostly steady. The supply included 45 per cent

slaughter steers, 24 per cent cows, six per cent slaughter heifers, and five per cent bulls, with the balance being feeder steers held mainly for the Friday afternoon auction.

According to a report from the USDA, cattle members this year will be down one or two per cent from last year, with production down four per cent as the cattlemen begin to rebuild their herds.

Cattlemen stress that the high prices now are just part of the cattle cycle that peaks about every six to ten years. The current good markets will encourage the ranchers to build up their herds, and industry spokesmen say that this supply expansion will bring the prices and supplies in balance naturally.

Farm Calendar

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Atlantic Breeders Cooperative membership meeting, 7 p.m. at Quarryville United Methodist Church.

Blue Mt. FFA annual banquet, Blue Mt. High School, Schuylkill Haven, 6:45 p.m.

Maryland Cattlemen's Association winter seminar annual meeting, New Windsor, Md.

Cecil Co. Md. Agronomy Day, starts 9:30 a.m., Calvert Grange Hall, near Calvert, Md. Friday, Feb. 28

Adams County Dairy Day, St. John's United Church, New Chester, 10 a.m.

Forage Workshop, Lan-

caster County Farm and Home Center, all day.

Elizabethtown Young Farmers annual meeting and banquet, 6:45 p.m. at Hostetter's Dining Hall, Mount Joy.

Second session of 2-day estate planning short course, York County 4-H Center, near Bair.

Md. Pork Producers annual meeting, Westminster, Md., Frock's Sunnybrook Farm Restaurant.

Saturday, Feb. 24 Garden Spot Young Farmers annual banquet, 6:45 p.m. at Blue Ball Fire Hall.

Ham and chicken dinner, sponsored by the Montgomery Co. 4-H Equine Council, Skippack Fire Hall.

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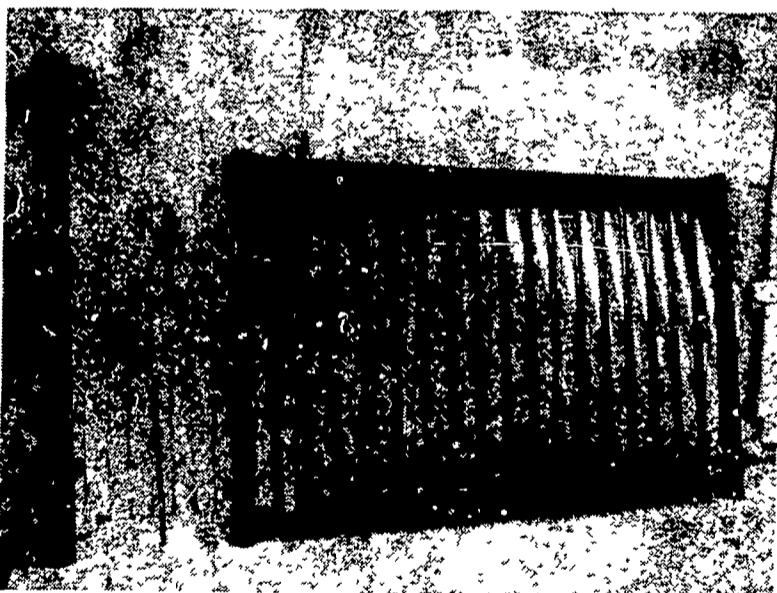
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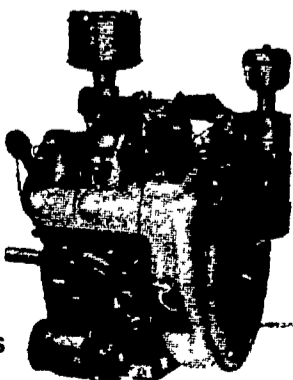
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