

Md. Lamb and Wool Queen crowned

By JOAN LIESAU

WESTMINSTER, Md. — Elizabeth Rogers Hicks, better known as 'Rog', of Whitakers Mill, Joppa, Md. was named the new Maryland State Lamb and Wool Queen on May 6. The contest was held in conjunction with the Maryland Sheep and Wool Crafts Festival held at the Agricultural Center in Westminster, Md.

Rog has been raising sheep for the past six years. Her flock consists of 20 Hampshire, commercial and black sheep ewes. She does all her own shearing, veterinarian work, fence repairing, and nutrition planning.

She is a member of the Harford County 4-H Livestock Club, Harford County Sheep Breeders Association along with the Maryland Sheep Breeders Association. She is an active junior leader in her 4-H Club and will be an assistant leader in the Fall.

Active in all phases of sheep raising, Rog does her own spinning, weaving and knitting. She said she keeps her better fleeces for herself to spin. "I really like the wool breeds, although the real value is in the meat animal," she said. With this in mind, Rog added that she would like to work with crossbreeding to get better wools on a meatier animal.



Newly crowned Maryland State Lamb and Wool Queen Elizabeth Rogers Hicks, better-known as 'Rog', has been active in raising sheep for the last six years.

Coming from a 12 acre pine farm in Harford County, Rog keeps her sheep at her partners farm. She is the daughter of William and Elizabeth Hicks, II.

Rog will be teaching art at an elementary school three days a week, and taking art courses at Antioch College, Columbia, and Townson State.

Eighteen year old Rog is looking forward to going to the county fairs she will be attending. "I am really interested in promoting the sheep industry and helping to educate the public," she said. "I would like to help promote the Sheep and Wool Crafts festival" and "maybe set up a festival in the Harford County area."



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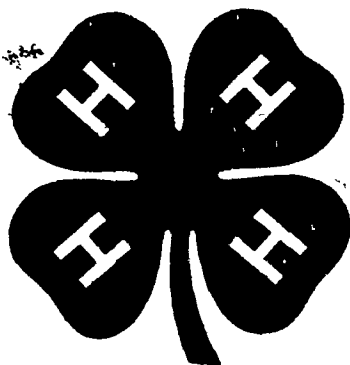
PINE GROVE - The Schuylkill County 4-H Achievement Night Contest was held April 27, at the Pine Grove Area High School. This event consisted of judging demonstrations and public speeches of individual members and also team competitions in Junior and Senior 4-H Horse Bowls.

Pitman 4-H Club received an award for the highest percentage of club members participating in the event for

the third consecutive year, while the Greenbriar Horse and Pony Club of Orwigsburg won the Horse Bowl competitions in the junior and senior divisions.

Judges were Dale Moyer, county agent; Mrs. Rita Emory, Ms. Gail Seigfried, Mrs. Sherry Moyer, Mrs. Marilyn Jusinski, all 4-H leaders; and Chris Tallman.

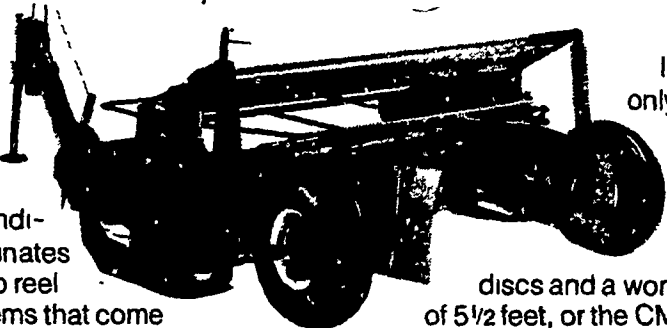
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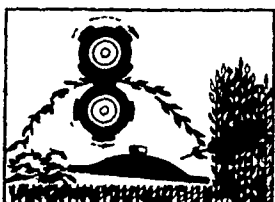
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