

Horse Club members honored at banquet

BY DEBRA STRICKLER SCHAEFFERSTOWN — County, District and State awards were distributed to numerous Lebanon County 4-H horse club members at their annual banquet on December 11.

Nearly 175 members, parents, club leaders and guests attended the dinner held at the Schaefferstown Fire Hall.

Pam Ludwick, a member of the Hoof and Horns 4-H Club, served as the mistress of ceremonies for the evening.

In her special remarks, Landa Rohrbach, Lebanon County 4-H Agent, organized a skit which told the 4-H Horse Club's story in Lebanon County.

Seven 4-H leaders and club members participated. The skit recognized the various trail rides 4-H'ers complete, Lebanon County's third place finish in the State Horse Judging Contest, the importance of a leader and the opportunity 4-H'ers have to attend leadership conferences.

A new concept, learning by doing with the aid of a video tape, was also introduced through the skit. "More details will be provided in

the January newsletter," according to Rohrbach.

Karen Kleiner, leader of the Saddle Slappers 4-H Club, introduced the special guests.

The 4-H program is very appreciative of Merritt Marks of the National Central Bank. The bank provides trophies, calendars, and supports the banquet.

Fred Brandt of Brandt's Mill and Saddlery, Lebanon was also recognized for his support of the 4-H program.

Denis Hoke, county extension agent presented the trophies, District, and State Show awards.

Brandt sponsored the trophies which were presented to the grooming and showmanship recipients.

Carla Ditzler of the Equestrians 4-H Club took the grooming and showmanship honors of the junior division.

Beth Royer of the Palm Trail Blazers was awarded the senior division grooming and showmanship trophy.

National Central Bank supplied trophies for the Equitation Awards.

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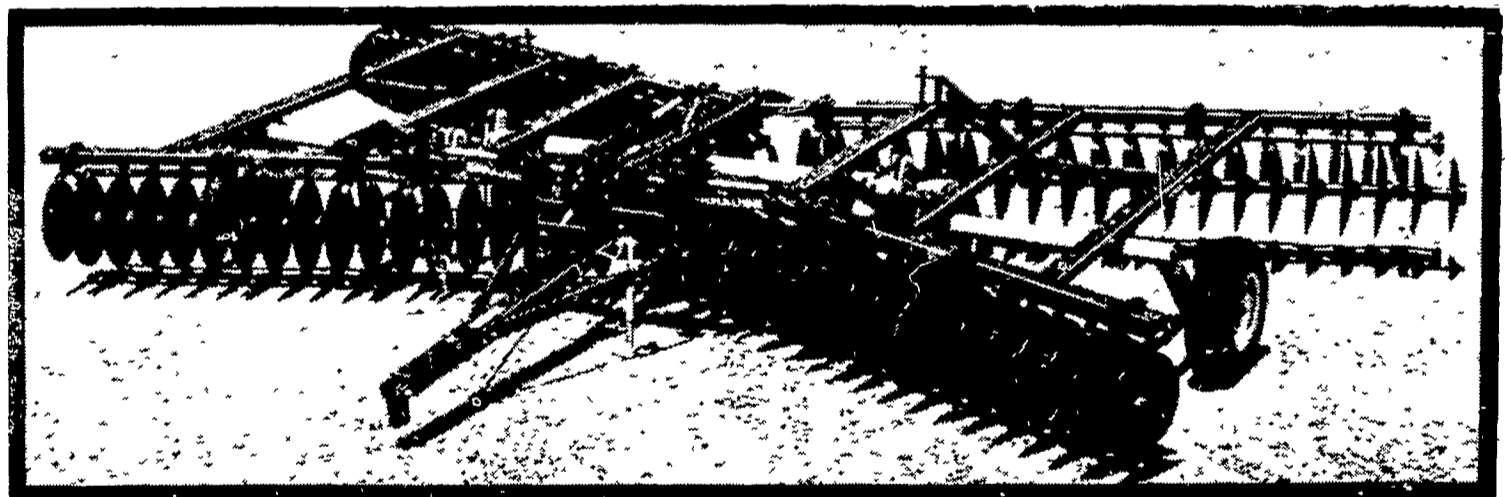
Judy LeRoy (left) coached the Lebanon County Horse Judging team to their third place, state competition, finish. The team members include left

to right, Dawn Myers, Margot LeRoy, Jerry Boyer and Jeanne Pierce.

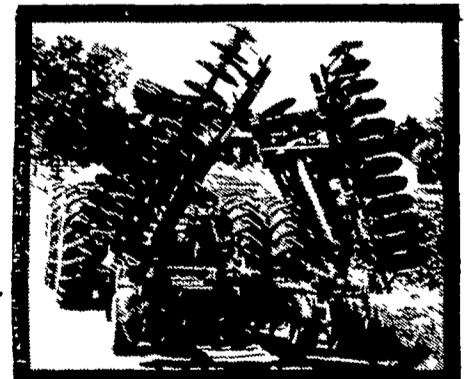
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