

Young Farmers meet

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region III. The Dietrichs milk about 65 dairy cows and have 25 beef animals in their operation.

Each of the state winner received a plaque and a check for \$150. All regional winners received checks for \$50.00.

Regional winners in the Outstanding Young Farmer under 30 competition included Carl Keller, Jr., Gettysburg R 3, representing the Gettysburg chapter in Region IV. Keller operates a crop farm with his wife.

James B. Lydic, Marion Center, R2, was a regional winner in the Region V, representing Marion Center Area Schools. He and his wife, Dianna, and their two children are in a partnership with Jim's father Clifford, and his wife, Wynona. They milk about 81 cows, with a rolling herd average of 15.575 milk and 559 fat.

Carl W. Reist, 1407 South Fifth Avenue, Lebanon, was the Region VII winner representing Cedar Crest High School. Reist is a part of the family incorporated farm, Ferndale Farms, operated by four brothers. The herd average on 83 Holsteins is 15,548 milk and 593 fat. He and his wife Linda have one child, Lori, 7.

Regional winners in the Outstanding Young Farm over 30 contest include Vernon J Leininger, Denver R 2, representing Ephrata Area High School in Region II. Leininger and his wife Allegra have a poultry and market hog operation, with

90,000 caged layers and 600 market hogs. They also rear their own pullets in 30,000 bird lots.

Lee Vaughn Madden, Star Route, Three Springs, was Region IV winner from Southern Huntingdon High School, Orbisonia. He and his wife Sharon operate a dairy farm with 42 Holstein cows, with a rolling herd average of 12,850 milk and 510 fat.

Region IV's winner was David P. Countryman, Berlin R 1, from the Berlin-Brothersvalley High School. David is in partnership with his father, Paul, at Landsdown Farm. He and his wife Linda and son Michael work with the Registered Holstein herd.

Leon L. Arnold, Lebanon R 7, was the winner in Region VII, representing Cedar Crest High School. He and his wife Ann operate the LeAnn Yorkshire farm of 65 acres.

In the Community Service Award program, other winners include Mary W. Webster, Wellsboro R 6, representing Region I and Wellsboro Area High School; Mr and Mrs Earl C Stauffer, Ephrata R 1, Ephrata Area High School, Region II, Mr and Mrs Timothy C Brown, Littlestown R 3, Gettysburg Area High School, Region IV; Mr and Mrs Jay E Shaffer, Somerset R 5, Berlin-Brothersvalley High School, Region V; and Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Kreider, 1603 Prescott Road,



The state winners in young farmers competition are, from left, Mr. and Mrs. Mark L. Stehr, outstanding Young Farmer, over 30; Mr. and Mrs.

Donald E. Sanders, outstanding young farmer, under 30; and Mrs. and Mrs. David A. Dietrich, outstanding community service award.



Outstanding community service award regional winners, from left, are Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Brown; Mr. and Mrs. Jay E. Shaffer; Mary W.

Webster; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Stauffer; Mr. and Mrs. Richard C. Kreider.

Lebanon, Cedar Crest High School, Region VII.

Officers elected during the business meeting include: Stauffer, president-elect; Henry M. Sanders, Millmont R1, secretary; George E. Musser, New Bethlehem R1, treasurer; and Dale L. Gettel, Orrstown R 1, public relations director; Terry E. Martin, Sr., Chambersburg R 10, and Donald E. Mooney, Shippensburg R 3, will serve as magazine editors. Caleb Williams took over the president's gavel from William B. Homan who joins the executive committee as past president.

During the evening paper, an authentic Civil War cannon model, mounted on walnut, was auctioned to the highest bidder by Daniel Martin, Jr. Highest bidder was Mrs. Vernon Leininger who bought the cannon for \$125. The memento was donated by the 1981 National Young Farmer Institute chairman Stanley Wolfe and proceeds went into the fund for the Institute.

J. Ray Bickel, Northern Lebanon Chapter Advisor at Northern Lebanon High School was named the outstanding Young Farmer Adviser. Bellefonte chapter

received recognition for having formed a new chapter in the past year, and the Dover Chapter, York County, was recognized for having increased the most in membership, with 46 additions.

Wellsboro Chapter received an award for the largest membership.

The winning speaker in the Spokesman for Agriculture contest was Joyce Hershey of the Octorara Chapter.

Dr. Eugene Love, of The Pennsylvania State University's Agriculture Education department was named as an honorary Young Farmer.



Stanley Wolfe congratulates Allegra Leininger on being the successful bidder at \$125, on the model cannon. Dan Martin, Jr., auctioneer, is at right.

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