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## York Countians join fight chemical dump

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**SEVEN VALLEYS** — About 300 embittered farmers and other residents of Codorus Township met the firehall here Thursday evening to help fight a toxic chemical waste dump planned on hillside in land.

The dump would be located about three miles northwest of the small York County farm town of Seven Valleys.

Sunny Farms, Ltd., a subsidiary of Stabitol, Inc., of Norristown has been denied an operating permit from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources to dump industrial waste, possibly including substances like chromium, lead, mercury, cadmium, and arsenic.

Several years ago Sunny Farms operated a landfill on the property but was shut down in 1975 by DER after an investigation turned up disposal violations.

A court injunction handed down last week in York County Court has temporarily halted any dumping by Stabitol because a subdivision plan had not been properly filed for township action.

The piece of land reportedly includes over 500 acres, but only a portion of that is to be used for the chemical dump.

Two other firms, Liqwacon of the York City's new industrial park, and Allied Chemical, have also purchased part of the Sunny Farms acreage for dumping of their firm's waste.

A subdivision plan now has been submitted and under the injunction issued by the court, dumping will be permitted as soon as the plan is approved by township officials.

Waste would be buried in containerized types of underground storage according to the DER permit. The waste could not be dumped within 500 yards of private homes.

The dump area is completely surrounded by prime farm land and corn is being farmed on the land at present.

Farmers are concerned that drainage from the dump could get into their water supply and nobody can guarantee it will not although they offer assurances that it won't.

The York County Farmers' Association attended the Thursday meeting to monitor the situation. But

other residents have taken the fight one step further.

Citizens from the area have organized into OUCH, Inc., calling themselves Opposing Unnecessary Chemical Hazards.

OUCH has hired Harrisburg attorney Michael Davis whom they say has spent considerable time fighting DER directives.

According to Steve Marsh, R1 Seven Valleys, president of OUCH, the citizens' group also has lined up an engineer and a hydrologist for help in fact finding.

Only DER can revoke Stabitol's dumping license

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Judy Zimmerman, R1 Ephrata, gives her Grand Champion crossbred Duroc gilt a final oiling before entering auction ring at Lancaster County 4-H Pig Roundup.

## Girls topple 4-H pig records

BY DICK ANGLESTEIN  
LANCASTER —

What do the grand champion gilt and her champion fitter and showperson do after the trot from the ring to the echoing applause of audience and bidders?

If you're the Grand Champion 215-pound crossbred Duroc of the Lancaster County 4-H Pig Club Roundup on Thursday, you trot stiff-legged out into

the Hatfield pen, not knowing that if a slice of your ham would be sold in a restaurant on the basis of the selling price, it would be right up there with filet mignon.

Then you start acting the way you should act — just like a pig. As other Hatfield purchases begin to fill the pen, you root, bump and shove to get at some scattered feed and finally just flop down and stretch out in a patch of cool weater.

If you're a champion fitter and showperson, like Judy Zimmerman, R1 Ephrata, you rush back out to the holding pens, grab the spray bottle of show oil or talcum and get five more head ready for the ring.

And when it's all over, you've herded six head through the ring, including three champs, collected some \$1639 and led nearly a clean sweep for your fellow female participants.

Yes, Miss Piggy would have been proud at the Lancaster Roundup at the Stockyards on Thursday.

After the boys captured the two lightest weight classes, it was the girls all the way until the Pens of Ten when the boys slipped back in.

Right behind 18-year-old Judy Zimmerman, competing in her final show, came Chris Chapman, who at 13, appears to be heir apparent in county 4-H pig circles.

While Judy's 215-pounder took the grand champion honors, Chris' 210-pound entry was named reserve grand champion. Both

coming out of the mediumweight classes.

In all, nearly 20 tons of hams on the hoof — 178 head — were shown. When the final gavel fell, the 4-Hers were richer to the tune of \$23,233.01 for a show-wide average of \$9.43 per pound.

The bidding on Judy's grand champion got started at \$3 and quickly moved upward. It stopped with a final blink of an eye by the Hatfield bidder at what appears to be a Lancaster record of \$4.30. Last year's top price was \$3.01.

Actually Judy led off the show with her grand champion, had lightweight and 225-pound champs in between and wound up the bidding with a lot of three.

Actually, she did right well

with all. Her lightweight champ brought 90 cents, the 225-pounder 69 cents and the final lot of three 62.25.

Chris' 210-pound reserve champion brought \$1.85.

Other top placers in the Roundup and prices:

Champion Trio — Liz Chapman, 76 cents.

Reserve Champion Trio — Michelle Dean, 70 cents.

Champion Pen of Ten — Stanley Heisey, 60 cents.

Reserve Champion Pen of Ten — Bruce Sipling, 53 cents.

Heavyweight Champion — Sarah Brubaker, 83 cents.

Reserve Heavyweight Champion — Chris Chapman, 65 cents.

Class I, 175 pounds, Robbie Rohrer, 51 cents.

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## Hi Kick Jingle tops Keystone Ayrshire Sale

BY CURT HARLER

LANCASTER — Hi Kick Jingle, consigned by Delaware Valley College, was the top selling animal at the Keystone Classic Ayrshire Sale held Thursday at the Guernsey Sales Barn, Lancaster.

She was due September 1 to Oak Ridge Commanders Star, one of the breed's better known sires. Jingle sold to J. Garrett Hunter, West Alenander for the bargain price of \$1740.

Indeed, there were a number of animals, especially bred heifers, which sold below some observers' expectations. The sale average was just \$1035.

"Bred heifers went way cheap," confirmed Show Manager Milt Brubaker, Lititz.

"Ayrshires at the present time are cheap. For the money dairymen can't get a better buy on a cow," he maintained.

Several dealers at the show who purchased a number of animals seemed to agree with that analysis.

The top selling Hi Kick Jingle was sired by Mar-Ral Hi Kick and out of Crystal Spring Don's Jan.

Rated "very good," Hi Kick Jingle has records of just under 12,000 pounds

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## Last year's State champ moves closer to Holstein title

BY RUTH ANN BENEDICT  
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**HARRISBURG** — The Grand Champion Holstein at Tuesday's Southcentral District 4-H Dairy Show, held here at the Farm Show Complex was right at home in the champion limelight.

Actually, the aged cow, Havin Apollo Etta, is just one step closer to retaining her title as the champion Holstein in the state — a title she captured last year.

The grand champion, a Hilltop Apollo Ivanhoe daughter, took the Senior Champion honors with her owner Tamra R. Yost of R1 Hershey, Dauphin County at her halter. Tammy is the alternate Dairy Princess for Dauphin County.

The Reserve Grand Champion Holstein was exhibited by Adams County's Christine Gitt, Littlestown. Penn-Gate Jetstar Queen is a three-year-old daughter of Beech-

Hill Elevation Jetstar. She followed the grand champion all the way to the top, being tagged as Reserve Senior Champion by Judge Raymond Seidel, Kutztown.

Lancaster County's Steve Kauffman, R1 Elizabethtown, brought home the Junior Champion honors with his junior yearling Penn Spring Milestone Ada.

Judge Seidel tagged the second place junior yearling

as the Reserve Junior Champion. Aldina Bookmaker Debbie was shown by Beverly A. Meyers, Chambersburg, Franklin County.

In the Ayrshire competition, Diane Maulfair's Lebanon Area Fair champion was once again wearing a purple ribbon on her halter. The two-year-old Maulfair Acres S.S. Milkud is owned and shown by the

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