

Northern Lebanon Young Farmers recognize contest winners

ONO — The winners of the Northern Lebanon Young Farmers' crop contest were announced here at the Fire Hall last Friday evening during the organization's 8th annual banquet.

Taking two first-place blue ribbons was Young Farmer Tom Shuey, R2 Annville. This dairyman turned in the best sample in the high moisture corn category and the corn yield group.

Topping the corn yield was Shuey's entry of Pioneer 3184, a long season hybrid. Although the results of the yield contest were not available, Shuey's winning entry was planted April 29 after chisel plowing his limestone ground. To help give the corn that special boost, Shuey explained he plowed down 400 pounds of fertilizer and put an additional 250 pounds of 20-10-10 in the row.

A father and son team topped the corn quality and corn silage categories. Galen Bollinger of R1 Fredericksburg took first place in quality with his Agway 849X long season hybrid. This corn was planted conventionally on Bollinger's shaley loam soil.

Bollinger's son, Lamar, was awarded first place in the corn silage contest. His sample was taken from a mixture of corn varieties filling the upright silo.

The Bollingers own and operate a 130-head dairy farm, milking a herd of registered and grade Holsteins.

Still another dairyman took the blue ribbon for his alfalfa hay entry. Roy Moyer, R1 Jonestown, sampled his year-old stand of Saranac AR for the win. In order to get the top yield out of his alfalfa, Moyer fertilized the stand after first cutting and sprayed for insects with Cygon.

Moyer said he established the hay during the spring of 1980. It was seeded with a nurse crop of oats. The four cuttings he harvested from the stand this year will help to keep Moyer's 37 head of Holsteins content and milking.

As if to compliment his character, Leroy Geesaman won first place in the mixed hay division. Leroy, who farms a little of everything including chickens, swine and dairy cattle, submitted a sample he jokingly said he thought was straight alfalfa. "But they told me I had some grass mixed in with it," he laughed.

Becoming slightly serious, the Fredricksburg farmer admitted the sample was a third cutting alfalfa-orchardgrass mixture, grown on Berks loam soil. "Some people

were saying that I bought this hay for the contest. I didn't buy it — I stole it," Geesaman teased.

The final award went to semi-retired dairyman Ed Funck of Jonestown. Funck, who continues to do the field work, is working in 'partnership' with young Gary Lentz, with Gary milking 42 head of registered Holsteins and Funck feeding them. This year Funck was recognized for his winning haylage sample.

Funck explained that his entry was a straight alfalfa sample pulled from his upright silo, which Funck pointed out is a Harvestore. "And that's who donated the trophy — Penn Jersey Harvestore," he pointed out.

Other trophy sponsors included: Joe and Richard Kreider, Pioneer seeds; Agway Inc.; Lancaster Silo; K & K Feeds, Inc. and Production Credit.

At the close of the annual meeting, 1981 president Wesley Harding turned over the office to his vice president Clarence Mull. Serving with Mull in 1982 will be: Howard Gross, vice president; Dan Bausher, secretary; and Paul Maulfair, treasurer. Ray Bickel will continue to serve as advisor.


Other crop contest winners included:

- CORN YIELD**
Blue Ribbons
1 Tom Shuey, 2 Fred Donmoyer, 3 Robert Shuey, 4 Ed Funck, 5 Jeff Werner
- Red Ribbons
1 Ray Sattazahn, 2 Gary Lentz, 3 Larry Shuey, 4 Richard Donmoyer, 5 Barry Donmoyer
- CORN QUALITY**
Blue Ribbons
1 Galen Bollinger, 2 Lamar Bollinger, 3 Paul Maulfair, 4 Gary Lentz, 5 Dale Maulfair
- Red Ribbons
1 Dan Hostetter, 2 Ray Berger, 3 Calvin Miller, 4 Tom Seaman, 5 Jeff Werner
- CORN SILAGE**
Blue Ribbons
1 Lamar Bollinger, 2 Tom Shuey, 3 Jeff Werner, 4 Barry Donmoyer, 5 Larry Shuey
- Red Ribbons
1 Ray Sattazahn, 2 Calvin Miller, 3 Clarence Mull, 4 Ken Mull, 5 Howard Gross
- ALFALFA HAY**
Blue Ribbons
1 Roy Moyer, 2 Ray Martin, 3 Ken Mull, 4 Barry Donmoyer, 5 Clarence Mull
- Red Ribbons
1 Ray Sattazahn, 2 Larry Shuey, 3 Galen Bollinger, 4 Wes Harding, 5 Gary Lentz
- MIXED HAY**
Blue Ribbons
1 Leroy Geesaman, 2 Dale Maulfair, 3 Willis Geesaman, 4 Sam Geesaman, 5 Richard Vanleu
- Red Ribbons
1 Roy Moyer, 2 Lamar Bollinger, 3 Vince Wagner, 4 Ray Berger
- HAYLAGE**
Blue Ribbons
1 Ed Funck, 2 Gary Lentz, 3 Wilmer Weaver
- Red Ribbons
1 Ray Martin, 2 Calvin Miller, 3 Larry Shuey

- White Ribbons**
1 Lamar Bollinger, 2 Tom Shuey, 3 Ray Sattazahn
- Red Ribbons**
1 Ed Funck, 2 Gary Lentz, 3 Ray Sattazahn
- White Ribbons**
1 Ray Martin, 2 Wilmer Weaver



Northern Lebanon Young Farmers who turned in winning crop entries for 1981 were honored last Friday at the organization's 8th Annual Banquet. Winners included, from left, Lamar Bollinger, corn silage; Galen Bollinger, corn quality; Leroy Geesaman, mixed hay; Tom Shuey, corn yield and high moisture corn; Roy Moyer, alfalfa hay; and Ed Funck, haylage.



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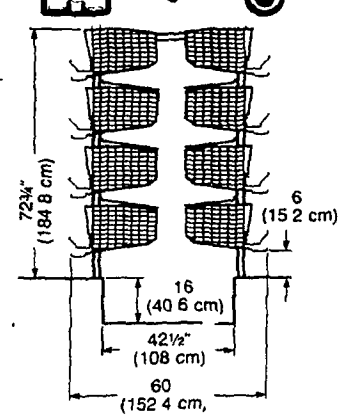
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Chicken Coop News

Update on the poultry industry
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Magnesium content of feed, manure

Eight samples of poultry feed were analyzed for magnesium in percent by weight on a dry weight basis. Samples ranged from .13 percent magnesium for a mixture of corn and oats to .33 percent magnesium for a mixture of leghorn cage layer feed. Average magnesium was .234 percent of all eight samples. Grain and starter feeds were lower while layer and breeder feeds were higher.

Eleven manure samples were also analyzed for magnesium in percent on a dry weight basis and found to average .717 percent magnesium. Ranges were from .43 percent to 1.04 percent magnesium on a dry weight basis. Samples of manure from young birds, those fed corn and oats and growing ringneck pheasants ran lower in this range while laying hen manure ran higher in magnesium. Two eggs measured .04 and .06 percent magnesium, respectively, on a dry weight basis while eggshell from a turkey egg ran .42 percent magnesium.

In summary, magnesium varied over 100 percent from .43 to 1.04 in samples of manure on a dry weight basis. We may give an example of this by saying a ton of fresh poultry manure has 500 pounds of dry matter at .717 percent and would be applying 3.59 pounds of magnesium per ton of fresh manure applied.