

Lancaster FFA'ers honored at Leadership Training Conference

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WILLOW STREET — Lancaster County FFA'ers recognized the county's three American Farmer Degree candidates during a Leadership Training Conference at Willow Street Vo-Tech School last week.

The three area farmers will receive the FFA's highest degree during the FFA National Convention in Kansas City, Mo. later this month. This year's winners are Mark Frey, 22, a graduate of Pequea Valley High School; Scott Brinton, 21, a graduate of Solanco High School; and F. Mark Weber, 21, a graduate of Garden Spot High School.

Also recognized during the conference were county winners at FFA Activities Week at Penn State University.

Receiving recognition in the extemporaneous speaking contest were Greg Musser, Elizabethtown; Deb Martin, Penn Manor; and Barry Harnish, Lampeter Strasburg.

Glenn Webber, Ephrata, was recognized for his sixth-place win in the creed contest. Dairy foods winners from the county were Sharon Zimmerman, Ephrata, Eric Herr, Lampeter-Strasburg; Allen Edgell, Penn Manor; and Nevin Ruhl, Elizabethtown. Randall Fox, Ephrata, placed third in dairy showmanship.

Placing first and second consecutively in farm management were Kevin Martin and Nelson Horning, both from Elanco.

Small gas engine winners from the county were Matt Pflieger, Manhiem; Chad Hollinger, Manheim; and Jerry Feister, Pequea Valley. Kenneth Nolt, Manheim, placed fourth in agricultural salesmanship.

County students placing in the floriculture competition were Dori Kreiner, Mt. Joy AVTS; Karen



Lancaster County farmers who will receive their American Farmer degrees at the National FFA Convention later this month are, from left, Scott Brinton, Mark Frey and Mark Weber.

Frank, Willow Street AVTS; and Stacy Webb, Mt. Joy AVTS.

County poultry winners were Tobin Shank, Penn Manor; Duane Hess, Penn Manor; Delvin Huber, Elanco; and Tony Bitts, Penn Manor. Winning in ornamental/landscape were Barb Kudia, Sherri Frey, Kerry Ross, Kelly Rhoads, and Deb High, all from Willow Street AVTS, and Lori Messersmith of Brownstown AVTS.

Ray Slouch, Elanco, and Dannel Hess, Penn Manor, were recognized for their participation in agricultural mechanics.

In meats competition Cassie Stowe, Elizabethtown; Robert

Barley, Penn Manor; Mike Hall, Lampeter-Strasburg; Philip Fullerton, Elizabethtown; Lamar Gockley, Elanco; and Thomas Wiker, Penn Manor, were winners.

Don Welk, Lampeter Strasburg, placed third in dairy judging.

The Leadership Training Conference also provided skills training for the approximately 180 chapter officers attending. The students split into two groups for a demonstration by the Garden Spot parliamentary procedure team, which placed first last year, and for a public speaking demonstration by Ephrata High School language arts teacher Colleen Hauser.



Recognized for their continuing support to the FFA were from left, Samuel Beamderfer, Gehman Feed Mill; Colleen Hauser, Ephrata High School language arts teacher; Edward Donough, for time and support; Ronald Yoder, Willow Street Vo-Tech; Robert Badger, ag lending officer, Bank of Lancaster County; Carlton Groff, farmer; and Stanley Deen, Garden Spot English teacher.

Bucks County horsemen place in state show

DOYLESTOWN — Bucks County 4-H members received awards in the State 4-H Horse Show held recently at Harrisburg's State Farm Show Complex.

More than 500 contestants from most counties vied for awards. Members and their horses, all winners in county and district competition, were entered in 68 production classes and 33 performance classes. They represent 7,100 youth enrolled in 4-H horse and pony program statewide.

County winners and their placings in performance classes

were: Christina Macaulay, Washington Crossing, first place Hunt Seat Equitation, Jr., Performance; Kristi Donnell, Kintnersville, second place, Western Riding; Susan Donnell, Kintnersville, second place, Hunt Seat Equitation, Sr.; Guy Hibbs, Washington Crossing, second place, Western Pleasure Horse; Matt McLaughlin, Quakertown; fourth place, Hunt Seat Equitation, Sr.; Sherry Morrison, Pineville, fifth place, Grooming and Showmanship, Sr.; Elizabeth Adams, Yardley, sixth place,

Hunter Under Saddle.

In 4-H horse production classes, local winners were: Jackie Usner, Riegelsville, first place Hunter Yearling Filly and third place Appaloosa Colt; Matt McLaughlin, Quakertown, second place, Hunter Yearling Gelding.

Several other horse club members competed in the state contest and received participation ribbons. They were: Tricia Bennett, Langhorne; Karin Berger, Newtown; Joyce Johnson, Morrisville; Meredith Mele, Warrington.

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