

# Niebauer Family Dominates Cambria Livestock Shows

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**EBENSBURG** — Winning is all in the family with the Niebauers. The children of Jerry and Paul Niebauer, brothers of RD 1 Ebensburg, in Cambria County, enjoyed some friendly competition at the Cambria County Fair and came away with most of the livestock honors.

Jerry's twins Tina and Todd, age 14, came away the big winners. Tina's 1,220-pound Angus steer took the grand champion rosette in both the Baby Beef and Cloverleaf County-Bred steer competitions. Todd rounded out the field with the grand champion trophies for swine and lamb. Tina was also named champion showman and fitter in the Baby Beef show, and Todd was named champion showman in the swine judging.

To round out the honors, younger brother Matt, age 10, took home his share of ribbons in steer and swine competition and was named reserve champion showman and fitter in the swine judging. And not to be outdone by his children, Jerry got serious about the parents'

showmanship category in the Cloverleaf beef show and came home with the grand champion award.

The Paul Niebauer children, 17-year-old Mike and 15-year-old Lori, made an excellent showing as well. Lori's 1,100-pound Angus steer was named the reserve grand champion in the Baby Beef show and reserve champion showman in the senior division of the Cloverleaf show. Matt won champion showman honors in the senior division of the Cloverleaf show and grand champion fitter in the swine show.

Noting that she is close to her brothers and her cousins, Tina Niebauer summed up the family honors, saying, "I'm proud of all of us."

### Cloverleaf Steer Show

The third annual Cloverleaf County-Bred 4-H Steer Show, held September 3 as part of the Cambria County Fair, drew praise from Judge Glenn Eberly. "The club has made great strides in just a few years," he said. "They show extremely good depth of quality."

Eberly, director of the Meat Animal Evaluation Center in State

College, was judging the program for the second year in a row and could offer a comparison from 1985 to 1986 winners. He told the audience that about a dozen of the 35 entries were on a caliber to compete with the best animals in the state.

The Cambria County Fair, unlike other fairs across the state, holds separate shows for county-bred and non-county steers. Results of the fair's livestock events are as follows.

### CLOVERLEAF COUNTY BRED SHOW

- Light Lightweight  
Jeff Stineman
- Medium Lightweight  
Todd Niebauer
- Heavy Lightweight  
Mike Niebauer
- Champion Lightweight  
Mike Niebauer
- Reserve Champion Lightweight  
Todd Niebauer
- Light Medium Weight  
Missy Stineman
- Medium Medium Weight  
Missy Stineman
- Heavy Medium Weight  
Stefanie Kazmer
- Medium Weight Champion  
Missy Stineman
- Reserve Medium Weight Champion  
Missy Stineman
- Light Heavyweight  
Andrea Sharretts
- Medium Heavyweight  
Tina Niebauer
- Heavy Heavyweight  
Dennis Dumm
- Champion Heavyweight  
Tina Niebauer
- Reserve Champion Heavyweight  
Dennis Dumm
- Grand Champion**  
Tina Niebauer
- Reserve Grand Champion**  
Missy Stineman
- Senior Champion Showman  
Mike Niebauer
- Reserve Senior Champion Showman  
Lori Niebauer
- Junior Champion Showman  
Staci Kazmer
- Reserve Junior Champion Showman  
Danny Myers
- Senior Champion Fitter  
Dennis Dumm
- Reserve Senior Champion Fitter  
Jarrod McCombie
- Junior Champion Fitter  
Staci Kazmer
- Reserve Junior Champion Fitter  
Stephanie Kazmer
- BABY BEEF CLUB SHOW**
- Light Lightweight  
Todd Niebauer
- Medium Lightweight  
Todd Niebauer
- Heavy Lightweight  
Matt Niebauer
- Champion Lightweight  
Todd Niebauer
- Reserve Champion Lightweight  
Matt Niebauer
- Light Medium Weight

Mike Niebauer  
Medium Medium Weight  
Mike Niebauer  
Heavy Medium Weight  
Lori Niebauer  
Champion Medium Weight  
Lori Niebauer  
Reserve Champion Medium Weight

Mike Niebauer  
Medium Heavyweight  
Tina Niebauer  
Champion Heavyweight  
Tina Niebauer

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Tina Niebauer (left) had the Cambria County Fair's grand champion steer. Representing the Union Press Courier, sponsors of the Cloverleaf Show, are Carmen Cammarata and Francis Albright.



Scot Wagner, Homer City, and his grand champion veal calf, Blackie.



Missy Steinman and her Cloverleaf reserve champion. Pictured with her are 4-H leader Don Mayer and Union Press representatives.

## Market Show Entries Sell For \$57,000

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**EBENSBURG** — Tina Niebauer is \$7,015 closer to her dream of becoming a veterinarian. Her 1220-pound Angus steer, Augie, the grand champion of the Baby Beef 4-H and Cloverleaf County-Bred Beef 4-H Shows at the Cambria County Fair, brought a record-breaking bid of \$5.75 a pound in a heated competition. When the gavel fell, Sherril George, owner of Hoss's Restaurant, Johnstown, had purchased the steer after an

emotional bidding war with Cambria County commissioner Ron Stevenson. Miss Niebauer's steer sold for \$2.50 more per pound than the 1985 grand champion animal.

By the end of the Thursday night sale, auctioneer Chester Davis of Ebensburg had garnered bids for 118 animals for a total of \$57,760 in sales. Proceeds from the sale go directly to the 4-H members.

Missy Stineman, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Stineman of RD #1, Sidman, took home \$3,762.50

when Charles J. Pudliner, Jr., Meats of Johnstown offered a winning bid of \$3.50 for the Cloverleaf Show reserve grand champion, a 1075-pound Angus steer. Pudliner's bid was \$1.55 higher than the winning bid for the Cloverleaf reserve champion in the 1985 sale.

Lori Niebauer earned \$1,705 for her Baby Beef Show reserve champion steer, a 1100-pound Angus, which brought a winning bid of \$1.55 a pound from the Riverside Market in Vinco. Total steer sales for 40 animals brought in \$40,508, or an average of 91 cents a pound.

Todd Niebauer's grand champion 250-pound Duroc hog brought a winning bid of \$3.05 a pound or \$762.50 from Hatfield Packing Company. Lore Friedel, 15, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Friedel of Wilmore, received \$411 or \$1.75 a pound from Charles Pudliner, Jr., for her 235-lb. reserve champion cross-bred hog. Forty-seven hogs were auctioned at an average price of \$1.07 per pound, bringing in a total of \$11,157.35.

Todd Niebauer also added \$401.50 to his bank account when Don Templeton of Ebensburg produced a winning bid of \$3.65 a pound for the youngster's 110-pound cross-bred wether, the fair's grand champion market lamb. Ten-year-old Sara Puruczky, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Puruczky of Summerhill, took home \$190 for her reserve grand champion lamb, a 100-pound

bidder was Mr. Pudliner.

The market lamb sale brought in \$2,693.80 for 17 animals. The average price was \$1.50 per pound.

Scot Wagner, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Wagner of RD #1, Homer City, earned \$501.50 for his grand champion veal calf, a 295-pound Shorthorn bull named Blacky. The winning bid was offered by the Riverside Market in Vinco. John Strittmatter, 16, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Strittmatter of RD 1, Ebensburg, took home \$364 for his reserve grand champion Holstein bull veal calf. The winning bid of \$1.40 was offered by Mr. Pudliner.

Fourteen veal calves were placed on the block and brought in a total of \$3,400.30. The average sale price was 91 cents a pound.

Premier buyer for the sale was Charles Pudliner, who purchased 15 animals for a total of \$8,459.31. There were 62 bidders in the sale, 50 of whom purchased animals.

Two animals were donated to local groups. Food for Families in Johnstown received an 84-pound lamb donated by Dan Till of RD 8, Johnstown and the Holsopple Feed Mill. The Presbyterian Home of Johnstown received a 127-pound lamb donated by Ike Hughes of Portage.



Dale Hoover, (left), Hatfield Packing, bought Todd Niebauer's champion market hog.



Todd Niebauer sold his champion market lamb to Don Templeton, Ebensburg.