Delaware Teens To Attend National 4-H Leadership Conference

NEWARK, Del. - Three Delaware teenagers have been chosen to attend a national 4-H leadership conference October 10 to 13 at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Md.

Attending the "Profiles for conference will be Tomorrow' Mike Moser of Camden, Michele Morneau of Newark, and Luke Hankins of Lewes. They will be accompanied by Kent County 4-H volunteer advisor Judy Ramsey.

To be selected for the conference, delegates must be eligible to participate in 4-H programs for a minimum of one year following training. They are chosen on the basis of outstanding leadership, citizenship, active community service and commitment to local and state 4-H programs.

Moser, 16, has been a member of 4-H for nine years. As a counselor at the state 4-H camp, he worked with underprivileged children, and he now serves as a counselor for the Younger Member Weekend Camp. Moser has been secretary and treasurer of his 4-H club and is currently president of the Kent County 4-H Junior Council. A junior leader of his club's woodworking project, Moser expects to major in architecture in college.

Morneau, 16, has served as a counselor and instructor in fashions at the 4-H Day Camp and the Younger Member Weekend Camp. A member of 4-H for six years, Morneau is now president of the New Castle County Junior Council. Formerly a secretary and reporter for her club, she has been a teen leader in crafts and expects to pursue a career in fashion design.

Hankins, 15, is beginning his fifth year in 4-H and is currently president of his 4-H club. He is a member of the Sussex County Junior Council. Hankins expects to become a math or science teacher.

Keynote speaker for the threeday program will be UPI White House Bureau Chief Helen Thomas, who will give her insider's view of seven presidential leadership styles. Also featured on the program are Lou Hampton, director of the Washington office of The Executive Television Workshop, and a Polish folk dance troupe.

The Delaware teenagers will attend workshops and seminars on leadership styles, individual and group decision making and goal setting. They will exchange successful project and activity ideas and will develop a plan to extend leadership training to other Delaware 4-H'ers.

Approximately 200 4-H youth and

adult visitors from 49 states and Puerto Rico are expected to attend

the conference, which is sponsored by the Monsanto Fund.

Mary Jo Cancelmo

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"It's our first real step in letting FFA'ers become involved in marketing a Pennsylvania product," she said.

For years Pennsylvania's FFA chapters have been selling thousands of boxes of Florida citrus for the holidays as a fundraiser. Mary Jo would like to see Florida FFA repay the favor by buying Pennsylvania maple syrup to sell in return.

This year, some Keystone FFA chapters will offer the speciallymarked jugs of maple syrup in addition to their citrus. The effort will be a two-way winner for FFA, since the individual chapters will reap the profits from their own sales and the cancelmo company will set aside some of its profits in the sale for the FFA Foundation,

Mary Jo explained.

She sees Pennsylvania maple syrup as only the beginning of a successful marriage between FFA fundraising and Pennsylvania products. "Maple syrup is our first step," she notes. She is already making plans to market Lebanon bologna and Pennsylvania apples in gift boxes.

'A great marketing strategy is to teach FFA kids to sell a Pennsylvania product," she said. "I think an effort needs to be made from kindergarten on up about the plight of the American farmer."

And Mary Jo puts her words into action every time she visits a potential contributor or an FFA chapter to encourage them to promote Pennsylvania agriculture through using and marketing Keystone state ag products.

Turtle Soup Connoisseur Brews Tasty Delicacy

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home. He said, "The only thing I get out of it is a little soup. I give some to the guy who caught the turtle." He said he does make it at home sometimes.

Making the soup seems effortless for Payne and his friends. They enjoy the company of those who stop by their pick-up truck to watch the process.

Payne says, "I like to cook. I can. I bake." He said he has over 200 quarts of canned goods at home, but adds, "This year I didn't make chow chow." He helped to can when his wife was still living, but continues it because he enjoys it. He admits to having a "pretty big garden" from which he harvests a lot of produce. He lives on 17 acres close to the adoption center.

Payne says he has always liked to cook, and enjoys making pies, especially pumpkin and lemon. Though he is retired, he still works as a bricklayer and carpenter. "Cooking is a sideline," he says with his winning smile.

As the soup is served people drift over to tell Payne how good it is. One woman points out to the crowd that Payne is the "best turtle soup maker east of the Mississippi." Everyone laughs, but no one denies it. The host, Frank Goodlander, steps up and adds, "in the country.

Asked if you could make a meal of the turtle soup, Payne says, "If



Mike makes the final taste test before declaring the soup ready for hungry visitors.

you eat enough of it."

Soon the fire dies down and the soup is gone. Payne made a lot of people happy by giving them the opportunity to eat turtle soup. His happiness came from the joy of making it.



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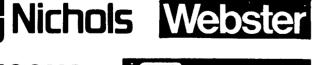


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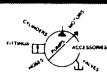


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