

FFA Convention

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evaluate 11 classes of livestock and give oral reasons. Contestants are also required to quality grade 10 head each of market swine, slaughter cattle and feeder cattle. Contestants prove their selection ability of breeding livestock by choosing four animals each, based on production records, out of eight beef females and swine females respectively.

Pennsylvania FFA's receiving gold emblems in the 1986 Livestock Holders Recognition Program were Sue Burkhart, Delvin Huber and Rick Hicks. Tom Morgan received a silver emblem.

In the Dairy Holders Recognition Program Lamar Gorkley, Linda Buffington and Becky Sonnen received gold emblems. Kevin Stoltzfus, Kay Fesster and Jim Wagner earned silver emblems and Robert Bartley received a bronze.

In Dairy Foods competition the Pennsylvania team from Waynesburg placed 16th. Team members Karen Fessler and Brian Harnish received silver emblems in individual competition.

Participants in this contest test 10 milk samples by sight and taste to determine the flavor and odor of the samples. Contestants also identify samples of hard cheeses, score sediment pads and milker units and take two tests encompassing milk production and marketing. They also perform the California mastitis test on samples of milk and must participate in two problem solving events.

A Pennsylvania team placed 13th in the National Forestry Contest. Team members John Fleming and Terry Johnson of Somerset earned silver emblems in individual competition and Beth Morgan, also of Somerset, took

home a bronze emblem.

Contestants identify forestry equipment, 15 tree specimens and complete 50 multiple choice questions on principles of forestry. They also complete practicums on such areas as timber cruising, timber stand improvement, map reading, compass reading, chainsaw part identification and troubleshooting, tree disorders and site indexing.

In the National Floriculture Contest, Pennsylvania FFA's placed 25th in team competition. Team members Jill Wolf, Stacy Webb and Lori Hull, all of Mount Joy, earned bronze emblems in individual competition.

In this contest, FFA's test their judging and identification skills in floriculture products. They take a written exam testing general knowledge of plant anatomy, growing media and floral design. They are also evaluated on their ability to make floral arrangements and a corsage, prepare cuttings for propagation and identify plant disorders.

A Pennsylvania team from Willow Street captured 11th place in the Nursery/Landscape Contest. Team members James Hess, Jr. and Julie Haldeman received gold emblems, while team mate Tammy Bresch earned a bronze emblem.

Contestants test their judging and identification skills in nursery products and landscaping. In addition, they complete a written exam testing general knowledge of plant anatomy, growing media and landscape design and maintenance. They also complete a landscape practicum involving a landscape plan and a number of questions about the application of the plan to a home.

In the Farm Business Management Contest, the Penn-

Lebanon Craft Guild Provides Sheep To Shawl Demonstration For Farm City Week Celebration

LEBANON — The Barefoot Treaders Craft Guild of Lebanon County presented a Sheep-to-Shawl demonstration last Saturday as part of Lebanon County's Farm City Week celebration.

Joseph Schott of Lebanon started the event by shearing a lamb with hand shears. Ken Jacobson of Shear Delights provided the sheep, a white Border Leicester/Romney cross ewe.

The fine quality fleece was spun into yarn by guild members Diane

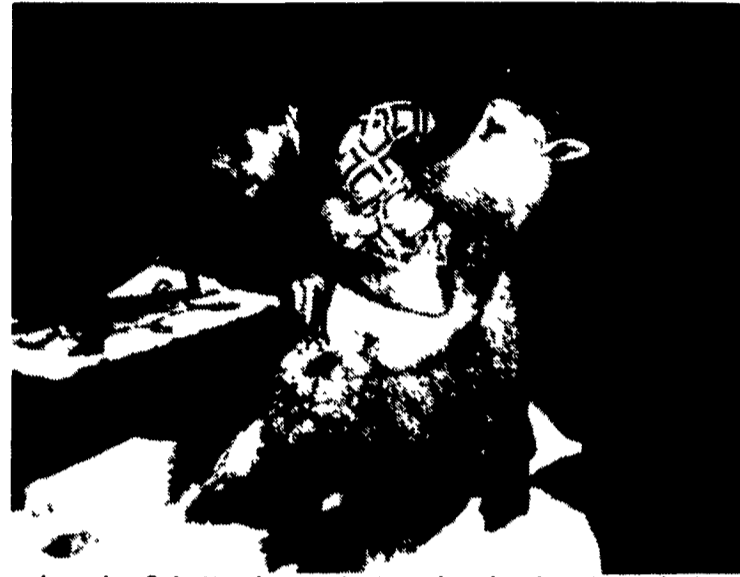
Dilger, Lebanon; Marj Gerhart, Lititz; Mary Hubler, Hummelstown; Debbie Mikulak, Womelsdorf; Gail Mumma, Jonestown; Kathryn Oto, Jonestown; Peggy Schott, Lebanon; June Yohn, Palmyra; and Lynn Zerphey, Lebanon.

Harold Schwanger of Lancaster wove the shawl. Schwanger has studied fiber arts at Slippery Rock College and Millersville University and has used his talents at many of the guild's demonstrations. The shawl was woven from strands of

green, gold and brown warp yarn and a white hand spun weft woven in a twill pattern.

As the various guild members demonstrated their craft, John E. Zerphey, current president of the Barefoot Treaders, explained the different processes that transform the wool into the finished shawl.

The Barefoot Treaders is a Lebanon based guild, but has members from Lancaster, Dauphin, Schuylkill and Berks counties.

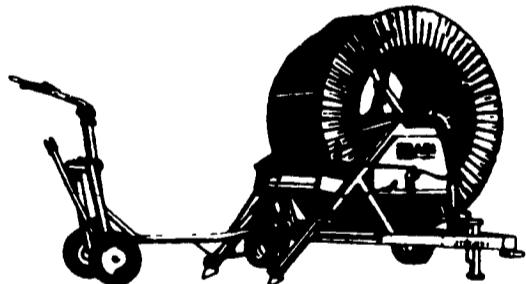


Joseph Schott demonstrates hand shearing during Lebanon County's Farm City Week celebration.



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