

Somerset Teen Tops Jr. Division Of National Sewing Contest

SOMERSET — Judy Rhoads of R.D. #1, Berlin, (Somerset County) was named national winner in the 1986 Make-It-Yourself With Wool Contest Jan. 23 in Sparks, Nev. For her top placing in the junior division, she received a \$1,000 college scholarship; a Bernina sewing machine and a wool throw.

This sewing contest for teenagers is under the direction of the women's auxiliary of the National Wool Growers Association and is sponsored by the American Sheep Producers Council Inc. The national contest is held in conjunction with the group's annual meeting. All garments entered must be made of at least 60 percent wool.

Judy's winning outfit was styled from a Vogue pattern designed by Ralph Lauren and sewn in red wool flannel from Pendleton. The semi-fitted jacket features pleated sleeves set into extended shoulders. Accent on the jacket is



Judy Rhoads

provided by top-stitching and rows of buttons on the front and sleeves. The flared skirt extends from a gathered waistline to a new-looking longer length. To complete her fashion statement, Judy draped a red, white and blue scarf on her shoulder.

Miss Rhoads, an eighth year member of the Brotherton Belles 4-H Club, constructed her wool suit as her 1986 4-H clothing project. She has previously represented her club, county and region in the state

4-H fashion revue competition with the same outfit.

Judy is the 16-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rhoads and is a sophomore at the Berlin-Brothersvalley High School.

She won the right to participate in the national contest by being named the winner of the junior division in the Pennsylvania contest, held Dec. 20 at the Keystone Sheep Symposium in Somerset. Named as Penn-

sylvania's senior division winner at that event was Jackie Heald of Chester County. Jackie also participated in the national competition.

Pennsylvania was one of 34 states to send participants to the national contest where 30 juniors and 33 seniors competed for national honors. The national winner in the senior division was Andrea Brandenburg of Rapid City, South Dakota.

Pennsylvania Farm Museum To Offer Craft Classes

LANCASTER — The Pennsylvania Farm Museum will be offering eight craft classes during the month of March. Participants can choose from eight different historical skills, including rug braiding, chair caning, traditional Pennsylvania splint basketry, decorated hand towels, blacksmithing, theorem painting, tinsmithing and spinning and weaving.

Those interested in taking courses can register at the Farm Museum office or by mail beginning Feb. 18.

The museum will be open Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m.

A brief explanation of each course and the dates and times they will be offered follows.

• **Rug Braiding** — Mae Breneman, instructor. Class will meet on Saturdays, March 7 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Education Building. Learn to make for yourself a traditional rug of woolen fabrics. Materials fee: \$2.

• **Chair Caning** — Hazel Riggs,

instructor. Class will meet on Saturdays, March 7 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Country Store basement. Each participant will cane a seat on a stool to take home. Materials fee: \$20.

• **Traditional Pennsylvania Splint Basketry** — Susan Kelleher, instructor. Class will meet Saturdays, March 7 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Maintenance Shop. People will make, for themselves, a small basket from oak they have split. Strong hands are needed for this class. Materials fee: \$15.

• **Decorated Hand Towels** — Donna Horst, instructor. Class will meet on Saturdays, March 7 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Textile Gallery. Each person will make a Pennsylvania German decorated hand towel with initials and date — an heirloom for the future! Materials fee: \$6.50.

• **Blacksmithing** — Dan Perry, instructor. Class will meet Saturdays, March 7 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Blacksmith Shop. Learn some basic blacksmith skills and make a

fireplace poker or hooks for your home. Materials fee: \$4.

• **Theorem Painting** — Sandra Jean Coldren, instructor. Class will meet Saturdays, March 7 and 14 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Visitor Center. Create a beautiful, colorful painting while learning the technique of stencil painting on velvet. Take home a work of art! Materials fee: \$10.

• **Tinsmithing** — Phil Kelly, instructor. Class will meet Saturdays, March 14 and 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Tinsmith Shop. This will be an introduction to tinsmithing and participants will make a candle holder and scone to take home. Materials fee: \$10.

• **Spinning and Weaving** — Donna Horst, instructor. Class will meet Saturdays, March 21 and 28 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Textile Gallery. Return to your Early American past and learn to spin linen and wool and weave tape on a tape loom. Materials fee: \$2.

For additional information, please call Mrs. Scott at 717-569-0401 or visit the Farm Museum, 2451 Kissel Hill Road, Lancaster.

Kutztown FFA

Kutztown FFA members are conducting a tree seedling sale in cooperation with the Berks County Conservation District. Chapter members are also selling Agway vegetable and flower seeds.

Several members participated in the Berks County FFA Project Book Contest with the following results: production record book: home garden, Chris Hamm, 12th, and Tim Flagstad, 14th; two enterprise: Troy Seidel, second, Eric Blatt, third, and Andy Miller, fifth; three enterprise: Brian Blatt and Norman Kehl, participants; five enterprise, Robert Adam, par-

ticipant. Work experience record book - under 300 hours, Andy Murphy, first, and Troy Colvin, seventh; 301 hours to 600 hours, Heath Wessner, fourth, and Steve Bailey, participant; 601 to 1,000 hours, Robert Adam, sixth.

The chapter is planning a ski night with the Twin Valley Chapter Feb. 6 at Doe Mountain. The annual FFA Week celebration is scheduled for the week of Feb. 21 through 28 and will include a breakfast for the faculty and agribusiness people in the community.

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