

# Reading Fair

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Melissa Spayd, R.D. 3249, Fleetwood, was selected as the outstanding FFA girl. Currently serving as the state FFA president, Melissa's credits include a host of awards throughout her FFA career. She was Star Greenhand, Star Chapter Farmer, Keystone Degree recipient, DeKalb Award winner, and also a winner of the Pennsylvania State Flower Growers award in 1987.

The outstanding FFA boy is Kevin Stoltzfus, a 1987 graduate of Twin Valley High School. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Stoltzfus, R2, Elverson, Kevin served as an officer for many years in his FFA chapter. He was also well known as a showman of his Guernsey cattle at the local and state levels.

Following the tradition of the Reading Fair, the 1987 winners of the Outstanding Berks County Farm Family is the family of Kenneth and Sharon Schlegel, R2, Fleetwood. Dairy farmers with

270 acres to farm, the Schlegels are involved in a wide variety of interests. Besides their grange activities, Kenneth Schlegel serves as a Sunday School superintendent, a member of the board of directors of Farm Credit, the Kutztown Fair, and the Fleetwood Area School Board, and also finds time to attend the sports activities of his children, as well as going hunting and bowling.

His wife, Sharon, holds an off-farm job but also takes part in many outside activities as well as an active part on the farm.

The entire family helps on the farm and out in the barn. Their children, Heather, age 17, Keith, age 15, and Kyle, age 11, have daily chores that must be done, as well as a host of outside activities with grange, 4-H, and school.

Besides keeping with a Reading Fair tradition, this family has continued a Schlegel family tradition. Kenneth Schlegel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Schlegel were also honored as an outstanding farm family by the Reading Fair.

## Rohrer Sells Fertilizer Facility

P.L. Rohrer & Bros., Inc., Smoketown, recently sold their bulk fertilizer facility to a non-agricultural business. After October 1, they will no longer sell or distribute bulk fertilizer from that facility. They will continue to operate the main office/warehouse complex which is separate from the fertilizer facility.

In a letter to customers W.W. Rohrer said, "We regret having to make this decision, however, Ortho Unipels are no longer available east of the Rocky Mountains. It is now clear the supply of

Unipel-Type fertilizer from overseas is unreliable and the quality is inconsistent. We built our fertilizer business based on quality and reliability and do not want to present our customers with what we consider to be an unreliable situation. We do expect to continue to sell a high quality, bagged fertilizer as we have before."

P.L. Rohrer remains strongly committed to continuing growth in the seed, chemical, and garden and home market. They look forward to continuing business in the farm community.

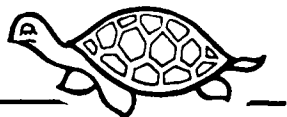


The 1987 Berks County Outstanding Farm Family is the family of Kenneth and Sharon Schlegel. They accept the award with their children, Heather, Keith and Kyle and comment to the audience that they enjoy being together as a family.



The Reading Fair Youth Awards were earned by Kevin Stoltzfus, FFA Boy; Melissa Spayd, FFA Girl; Marianne Yanos, 4-H Girl; and Heath Fisher, 4-H Boy.

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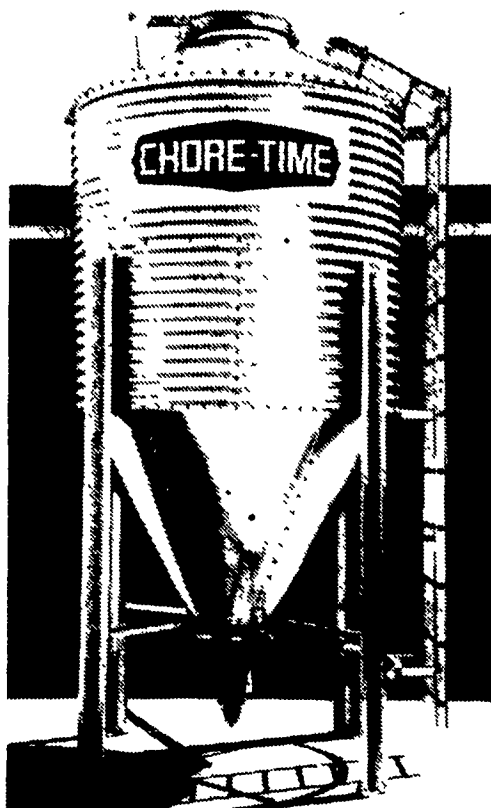
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