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The Lancaster County Junior Livestock Judging Team returned the trophy to the Keystone State by defeating ten other teams at the contest held at the Keystone International Livestock Exhibition. Pictured are (left to right): Tricia Musser, Emily Weaver, Ellen Lewis, Joe Garber and team coach Chet Hughes, Lancaster County Livestock extension agent.

## Lancaster Junior Judging Team Regains Trophy

**BY PAT PURCELL**  
**HARRISBURG**—The Lancaster County 4-H Junior Livestock Judging Team has returned the trophy to the Keystone State after successfully competing against ten teams from Indiana, Virginia, Georgia, Ohio, Maryland, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania in the 28th Inter-collegiate and Junior Livestock Judging Contest held at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition on October 3.

The Keystone team is made up of four members: Emily Weaver, daughter of F. Ray and Carol Weaver of Ephrata; Tricia Musser, daughter of Harold and Judy Musser of Elizabethtown; Ellen Lewis, daughter of George and Lorraine Lewis of Mount Joy; Joe Garber, son of David and Edna Garber of Marietta. Coaching the

team is Lancaster County Ag Extension Livestock agent, Chester Hughes.

The last time the trophy found a home in Pennsylvania was in 1983. The Keystone team took second in the beef judging competition and third place in the swine and sheep competition to amass 2,117 points to edge the Indiana delegation into second place. Indiana held the title last year and had the high overall individual scorer, Eric Heagy. Heagy racked up 729 points to squeeze by Lancaster County's Emily Weaver who gathered 722 points. Weaver took first place in the sheep judging contest.

Joe Garber took a first place in the beef judging competition to earn a fourth place in the individual.

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## A KILE Winner



Little Nathan Claycomb of Alum Bank, Bedford County, could hardly reach the top of his steer's neck, but that didn't keep him from showing the first place middleweight steer on to the reserve grand championship at the KILE Junior Steer Show. Renee Barker of Kendallville, Ind., had the grand champion. A list of placings for this junior show can be found on Page A-23. Other KILE photos and stories will be found throughout this issue and more will be featured next week.

## State Vote Yes For Farmland Kickoff Held

**BY EVERETT NEWSWANGER**  
**Managing Editor**  
**LEOLA** — With the call of the auctioneer in the background selling produce by the farm wagon load, a group of dignitaries came to the Leola Produce Auction Thursday morning to kick off the statewide campaign for support of the Farmland Preservation Referendum.

With a bevy of TV cameramen

and news reporters from across the state looking on, Dr. Maurice Goddard, chairman of the Pennsylvania Vote "Yes" For Farmland committee infactically declared that, "It's extremely important that we do everything within our power to preserve the base of Pennsylvania's \$3 billion annual agricultural production income.

While serving as Secretary of Forests and Waters, which is now

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## Eastern Milk Co-op Gives Report, Honors Farmers and Others

**SYRACUSE, N.Y.**— A drop in milk supplies and farm numbers in the Northeast contributed to a corresponding decline in sales and profits for Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative, Eastern President Earl Forwood and General Manager Michael Donovan told farmer-delegates at the co-op's annual meeting here Wednesday.

It doesn't affect the financial soundness of the co-op, they said. It reflects the fact that the reduction in milk supplies has increased the competition for available milk, they said.

As a result, Forwood added, the co-op is making less money, but the member-farmers, on the other hand, are getting more and more

money in their milk checks.

He noted that cash premiums quickly developed in parts of the Northeast during the last half of the

1987 fiscal year, which resulted in \$580,000 in extra income being paid out to Eastern farmers.

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## LF Editor Receives Eastern Milk Ag Journalist Of Year Award

**SYRACUSE, N.Y.** — Lancaster Farming's managing editor, Everett Newswanger, was presented Eastern Milk Producers Cooperative Annual Agricultural Press Award at the association's

annual meeting here Tuesday evening. In making the presentation, Michael Donovan, general manager, said the Ag Journalist of the Year Award was in recognition

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## Feed Program— Drought Assistance, Here's The Scoop

**BY KARL BERGER**  
**Special Correspondent**

Pennsylvania dairymen and other livestock producers whose crops were damaged greatly by drought this year — and who are located in eligible counties — should investigate the benefits available to them under the Emergency Feed Program administered by the Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service.

The program was a life saver for a number of farmers in the Mid-Atlantic area hit hard by drought last year. One of those, Tom Eyler, a dairyman near Keymar, Md., said of the program, "It was the thing that kept us from going over the edge."

Eyler said the government assistance, together with the free hay donated by other farmers, enabled

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David Troutman (left) and Donald Welk Jr. do a little pre-sale prep on one of the fine animals consigned to the PSU Dairy Science Club Nittany Lion Fall Classic Holstein Sale.

## Students Select Cattle For Nittany Lion Fall Classic

**BY EVERETT NEWSWANGER**  
**Managing Editor**  
**STATE COLLEGE** — Even though it's a Nittany Lion, you'll find no pig skin at this fall classic to be held Saturday, November 7,

at the agricultural arena. But you will find some mighty fine cow hide covering beautiful deep pedigreed cows and heifers that the Pennsylvania State University Dairy Science students have

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