Delaware 4-H'ers Go To National Congress

NEWARK, DE. — Nine Sussex County and two Kent County 4-H'ers have been named state winners in the 1987 national 4-H awards program, which recognizes achievement in the pursuit of long-

term projects.

The purpose of these projects is to build skills in specific areas of interest, increase career awareness, and develop leadership, character, and initiative. 4-H is the youth branch of the Cooperative Extension System. Awards in the various project areas are sponsored by major U.S. companies. The teenagers will represent Delaware at the National 4-H Congress in Chicago, December 5 through 10. Short biographies of each follows.



Jennifer Messick

Multi-talented 4-H'er Jennifer Messick (16) of Bridgeville has won a place on the Delaware delegation to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago this month. Her achievement project, which is sponsored by the Ford Motor Co. Fund, includes successful nutrition, home environment, safety, leadership and other projects.



Robin Loockerman

A successful breads project is taking Robin Loockerman (17) to Chicago as a Delaware delegate to the National 4-H Congress. During the past 5 years the Greenwood teenager has baked more than 340 bread items as part of her project, which is sponsored by Fleischmann's Yeast Co.



Ron Jernigan

Ron Jernigan (16) of Seaford will head for Chicago early next month as one of the Delaware delegates to the National 4-H Congress. Jernigan, who plans to pursue a career in the automotive field, estimates he put in more than 1,000 hours and saved himself more than \$13,000 restoring a 1967 Ford Mustang, 1970 MG Midget and 1965 TR4A as part of a 4-H petroleum power project. His trip is being sponsored by Amoco Foundation, Inc.



Donya Argo

Donya Argo (16) of Milford proudly displays one of the many dishes she has prepared as part of the successful food and nutrition project which won her a place in the Delaware delegation to the National 4-H Congress in Chicago early next month. Her trip is being sponsored by the General Foods Fund, Inc.



Roger Hudson

A successful swine project has won a trip to Chicago for Seaford 4-H'er Roger Hudson (16) early next month. His place on the Delaware delegation to the National 4-H Congress is being sponsored by Pfizer, Inc. and the National Pork Producers Association. After

he finishes school, he plans a career in agribusiness.



Karen Lofland

Karen Lofland (16) of Greenwood will join other Delaware delegates at the National 4-H Congress in Chicago early next month. She won her trip with a successful public-speaking project sponsored by Unocal Corp.

Jennifer Rumsey

Jennifer Rumsey (16) of Clayton poses with 4th Seeing-Eye pup she has raised as part of a 4-H dog care and training project. She estimates she's devoted 5,160 hours over the past 6 years to raising Seeing-Eye pups. Her first pup, Mitzi, did so well the dog was selected for the Seeing-Eye breeding program. Jennifer will travel to Chicago early next month as part of the Delaware delegation to the National 4-H Congress. Her trip is



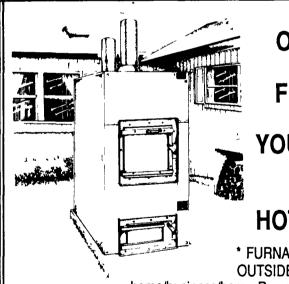
Jennifer Rumsey

being sponsored by the Delaware State Grange and Delaware 4-H Foundation.



Amy Elliott

Amy Elliott (16) of Greenwood models a tailored suit she made as part of her prize-winning 4-H fashion revue project. She will have a chance to model one of the garments she has made in Chicago early next month during the National 4-H Congress. Her trip is being sponsored by the Simplicity Fashion Co. and Viking White Sewing Machine Co.



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