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## Eighth Keystone Cornucopia **Features PA Foods**

HARRISBURG - In a departure from tradition, the 1989 Kevstone Cornucopia is a served dinner rather than the buffet meal offered at the previous seven functions.

Cornucopia Coordinator Kathy Gill noted that the meal will feature two entrees "to ensure that the diversity of the Keystone State's agricultural bounty is evident at the February 6 event."

The dinner, sponsored by the Pennsylvania State Council of Farm Organizations and scheduled at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center, is a tribute to the Commonwealth's number one industry. The reception and dinner

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James and Nina Burdette and sons Kyle and Justin were honored at the Franklin County Holstein Club meeting recently for their four 1988 All-Pennsylvania awards.

# Farm Show Champion Prices Down, Except Swine BY LOU ANN GOOD State Strengthing, January 13. the champion market hog, which

HARRISBURG --- The tradi-

Noted for record-breaking tional Sale of Champions brought inters, the annual sale this year Farm Show activities to a climax dropped considerabley except for

the champion market hog, which sold for a record price of \$21.50 a pound.

Fiftcen-year-old Susan Toner of Clinton County, who sold her champion market swine for \$4,644, said, "I was so excited to (Turn to Page A22)

# Franklin Holstein Breeders Honor Top Producers

**BY BONNIE BRECHBILL** 

Franklin Co. Correspondent WAYNESBORO (Franklin) — "The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture has stopped paying for the bruccellosis vaccination program," State Director James Burdette of Mercersburg told the 150 people assembled at the Franklin County Holstein Club's Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet. The PA Holstein Association has written a resolution requesting the reinstatement and continuation of the vaccination program. Burdette encouraged dairy farmers to write to their legislators to ask them to reinstate the program.

Burdette also stated that the PA Holstein Association is at the fore-(Turn to Page A28)

#### **Tobacco Auction Prices**

#### **Reach All-Time High**

**BY LISA RISSER** 

PARADISE (Lancaster) -Lancaster County history was in the making this past week at the Paradise Tobacco Auction as buyers paid up to \$1.40 for a pound of 609-type tobacco.

"Three years ago when we began the auction, \$1,30 a pound was the high," recalled Eric Philost." auction manager.

Prices for the Maryland-type tobacco have been increasing steadily since the season's opening five weeks ago. At the onset \$1.25 was the average price whereas this week \$1.37 was the average with

\$1.40 being the high.

There is a tremendous demand for Lancaster County-grown tobacco partly for its good quality, but also because "our tobacco follows demands set in the burley markets and the burley market is short in poundage," explained Probst. "There is about a 3 million potind drop in production in the county as compared to previous years. This scenario set the stage for prices we've never seen in tobacco!"

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Farmers doing business through private treaty are also benefitting (Turn to Page A29)



**Changing The Image Of Agricultural Education Breaking** New Ground At Conrad Weiser

#### **BY LISA RISSER**

ROBESONIA (Berks) - Agricultural education is changing. The restructuring and streamlining that has been shaking up businesses during the 80s has struck agricultural education. The changing educational needs of students have necessitated a corresponding change in the ag course material. The most visible sign of change

occurred in November at the national FFA convention when

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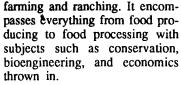
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members voted to change the organization's name. No longer is the group Future Farmers of America. It is simply the FFA organization.

The name change reflects the wider diversity of agriculturalrelated careers open to students today. Agriculture is more than



Conrad Weiser Area High (Turn to Page A27)



Hatfield Packing set a record when they purchased Susan Toner's champion market hog for \$21.50 pound or \$4,644. From left: Secretary of Agriculture Boyd Wolff, Clair Clemens, Lieutenant Governor Mark Singel and Jerry Clemens (kneeling).

### Second Farm Show Supreme Dairy Champion?

EPHRATA (Lancaster) --- Contrary to information from the Farm Show press office, 1989 was not the first year a supreme dairy champion was selected, according to Marvin Miller of Strasburg. Miller should know. He earned that honor in 1980. The headline on the front page of the January 12, 1980 issue of Lancaster Farming

read "Grand View Fields Supreme Champion". Miller had a better chance than his competitors that year. Grand View Farms exhibited not one, but two grand champions. Miller took the grand titles in both the Guernsey and Holstein breeds. It was Miller's Holstein which

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Editor's Note: The needs of agricultural education and the means to support it in the school systems have become issues of discussion in recent years. This occasional series by all the staff members at Lancaster Farming at various times during 1989 will explore these issues. Each article in the series will carry the above logo.

Steve Miller, left, and Don McNutt are directing changes in the agricultural education program at Conrad Weiser High School. One of the biggest changes approved by the school board is the establishment of two ag classes that will provide students with science credits.