

30 YEARS AGO

THIS WEEK

-A 900 pound Angus steer named BooBoo, Jr., carried off the grand championship rosette in the Solanco Fair Baby Beef Show Thursday for his pretty owner, Rose Marie Linton.

Rose Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Linton of Quarryville R2, dubbed her calf BooBoo, Jr., in respect for the steer, BooBoo she fed last year in 4-H Club work. The steer, a Lancaster County calf, was bred by Clyde K. Eshleman, Washington Boro R1.

The win for the 17 year-old senior at Solanco High School keeps the championship in the Lintons for the second consecutive year. Her brother Fred won the rosette last year with a Hereford.

Runner-up in the contest was a 1,000 pound shorthorn named Toby, owned and exhibited by Magda Frey of Quarryville R2, a 16 year-old junior at Solanco High. Magda repeated her showing of 1959 when she also showed the reserve champion at Solanco.

The champion Hereford was shown by Donald Swinehart, Quarryville.

-Mrs. Milton K. Morgan of 1916 New Holland Pike was the earliest Pennsylvania entrant in the sheep department of the fifth annual Pennsylvania Livestock Exposition. Mrs. Morgan is a veteran exhibitor in the show and has won many prizes with her Suffolk breeding flock. She has seven entries this year.

-The father and son team of Amos and Kenneth Rutt of Quarryville R2 made it two in a row as they took the tractor driving championships Thursday at the Solanco Fair.

Kenneth repeated as county 4-H champion while his father took his second consecutive adult crown. Isaac Hershey, New Providence, waws second in the adult class.

The FFA championship was won by Carl Troop of Quarryville R3, a senior at Solanco High School. The son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Troop was runner-up in the division last year. Dale Herr of Kirkwood R1 finished in second place in FFA competition followed by John Frey, Quarryville R2; Ross Trimble, Quarryville R2; Harold Lefever, Quarryville R2 and Harold Beck, Quarryville R3, second to sixth respectively.

-Newspaper photo shows Solanco Fair's Harvest Queen Miss Jeanne Cutler, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Cutler, Drumore, being crowned by retiring queen Anne Quigley, Quarryville. Miss Cutler, a 17 year-old senior academic student at Solanco High School, plans a career in nursing. She is a member of the Future Nurses of America, Future Teachers of America and the Solanco band and chorus. She was presented a 50.00 savings bond by the Quarryville Lions Club. Runner-up in the contest was Miss Betty Ulrich of Peach Bottom. She received a \$25 bond.

Heller Farm Receives Clean Water Award

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Secretary of Environmental Resources Arthur Davis recently awarded the state's 1991 Chesapeake Bay Clean Water Farm Award to John J. Heller of Aspers, Adams Co.

At a meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of Conservation Districts, Secretary Davis presented a certificate of recognition and a large blue and white sign that reads "Pennsylvania Chesapeake Bay Program Clean Water Farm Award... For Protecting and Conserving Soil and Water."

The Adams Co. farm family received this distinction for outstanding achievements in managing its soil and nutrient resources. The Hellers routinely test their soil and animal manure to determine the nutrient requirements of the crops.

With financial and technical help from Pennsylvania's Chesapeake Bay Program, they installed a manure storage facility to allow the spreading of manure at times of

the year when the crops can best use the stored nutrients. They usually incorporate manure within two days of spreading to maximize the nutrients' availability.

Other innovations include the use of newspaper bedding for the farm's 60 dairy cows, which Heller believes improves herd health by reducing mastitis. In the pastures, he rotates fields for grazing purposes and limits the animals' access to the stream to prevent streambank erosion. Stones collected from his fields are used to stabilize the streambanks.

Heller believes that the less the ground is disturbed, the less topsoil will be lost. Cover crops are used for winter ground protection, and no-till and some chisel plowing is employed. In addition to his own 60 acres, Heller rents another 140 acres. He has been successful in persuading the landowners of this rented land to allow him to install various conservation practices such as waterways, contour strips, and a spring development. As for pesticides, Heller takes the time to educate himself about the proper application and disposal of pesticides.

Each year, the Chesapeake Bay Education Office awards the Clean Water Farm Award on behalf of the Department of Environmental Resources' Chesapeake Bay Program. To date, more than 500 farms have received financial and technical assistance from county conservation districts and the DER toward the installation of conservation

practices. Twenty-eight counties located within the Susquehanna River Basin now participate in the cost-share program.

As part of the award, John Heller, his wife Diane, and their young daughter visited the Chesapeake Bay recently to learn more about the bay on a firsthand basis. They were part of a trip sponsored by the Bay Education Office to Solomon's Island. Activities included a fossil hunt led by the Calvert Marine Museum, a visit to the Chesapeake Bay Biological Labs, and a boating excursion to the Benedict Estuarine Lab.

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order. The current proposal means all will share the benefits of the emergency order.

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"For these reasons, and for a sound economic future for the dairy industry in New York State, farmers are urged to vote 'yes,'" said Ross.

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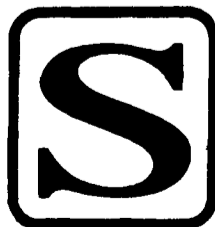
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