

# 4-H'ers Speak Out In Cumberland County

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**MECHANICSBURG** (Cumberland Co.) — Eighteen youth in

Cumberland County participated in 4-H Speak-Out Night on Thursday, June 25, at Cumberland Valley High School. Some spoke about issues close to their hearts,

others researched new topics to demonstrate public speaking and demonstration skills. Anthony Betonte, 4-H coordinator in Cumberland County, said, "The kids are encouraged to take the step into public speaking with confidence in the 4-H way."

Michelle Comman, a member of the Conodoguinet Sheep Club, spoke about "Animal Rights versus Animal Welfare". Michelle informed the audience that more than 7,000 animal rights and animal welfare groups are organized in the country this year. Several of these groups are against animals being used for food and fiber, even biomedical research. Most members have little contact with

farm life. Some are opposed to keeping pets. Michelle's wish is that they would understand how animals raised on farms are being raised "in a healthy way with care for the animal." She also would like people to be aware of the value they place in research. For example, hogs' heart valves are sometimes used to replace diseased human heart valves.

Steve Fisher, a spirited member of the Flying Fingers 4-H Club, chose a catchy topic. He presented "Find it, Fold it, Fly it." He demonstrated in living action how to make different styles of paper airplanes and fly them. Many designs were his own innovations. He plotted different models, how

long they flew, and how far they traveled. He presented his different models and research on a colorful poster board. His favorite is "The Bruser," which travels a little over 3 seconds.

Samantha Shears presented "Household Hazardous Waste...What are you doing to your water?" Samantha is a member of Newville Creators 4-H Club. She informed the audience that 3 to 10 gallons of hazardous materials lurk in most homes. When disposed of, these materials sink into the soil. One of her main points was not to drop hazardous waste down the drain. She had a convincing analogy, "If you

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Becky Cornman, (left), and Sandra Anderson, demonstrate "Udderfull Cow Foods."



Cumberland County 4-H'ers participating in Speak-Out learn to speak with confidence.

## Kinderwater Named BACS GM

**LITITZ** (Lancaster Co.) — Kurt M. Kinderwater has recently been hired as general manager of Brubaker Agronomic Consulting Service, Inc., of Lititz.

In his position, Kinderwater is to report directly to the business president, Michael Brubaker, an agronomist.

"Kurt comes to BACS with a wide range of experience in the agriculture industry. He earned a BS in crop science from the University of Wyoming in 1985 and has gained working knowledge in areas such as integrated pest management, agronomic consulting, custom application, research plot work, and agrichemical sales," Brubaker wrote in a news release.


Most recently, Kinderwater has worked as the marketing program supervisor for the domestic Agricultural Chemical Group of FMC Corporation.

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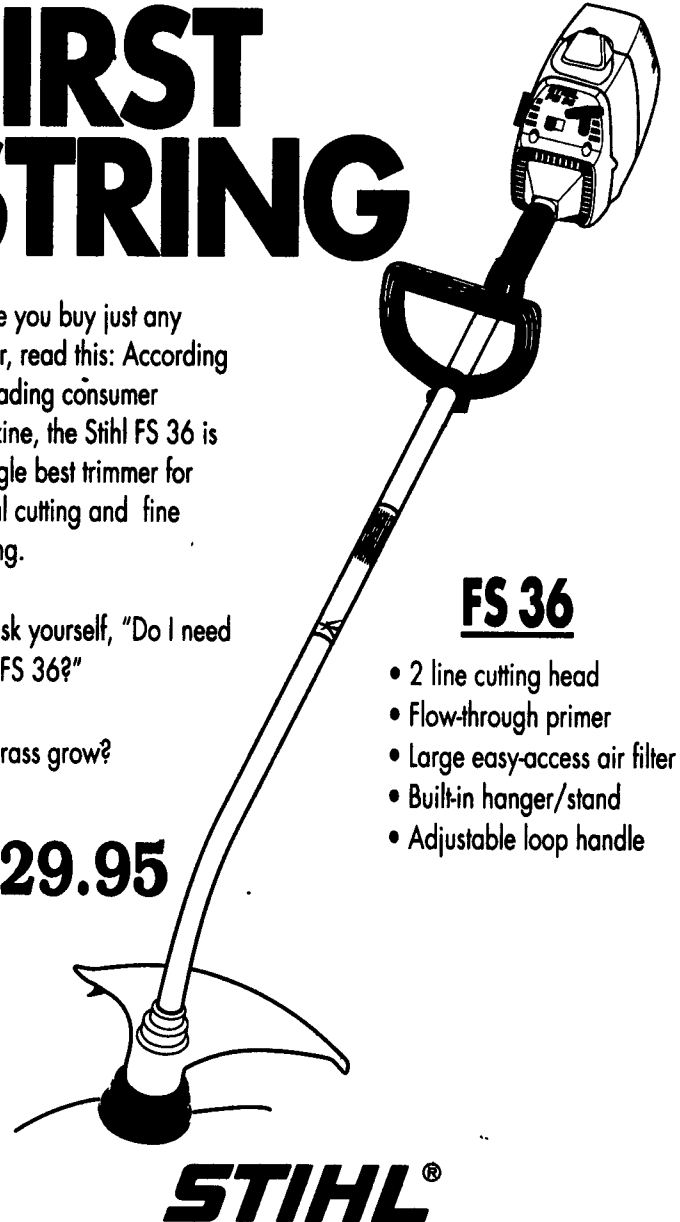
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