

# Awards, Scholarships Available To Jersey Youth

CHAMBERSBURG (Franklin Co.) — The Pennsylvania Junior Jersey Cattle Club (PJCC) is accepting applications for several awards and a scholarship all available to Pennsylvania Jersey juniors.

The awards include recognition for outstanding production records, scrapbooks, and other achievements. The recipients will be announced at the Pennsylvania Jersey Cattle Club annual meeting held on March 26-27, in Chambersburg.

The PJCC will be awarding achievement awards in two divisions. Interested applicants must be the owner of one or more registered Jersey cattle and be between the ages of 9 and 19, as of January 1, 1992. Awards will be given in two age categories: junior division, 9 to 13 years of age and

senior division, 14 to 19 years of age. Entry forms are available from the youth program coordinator, Betsy Dupuis, 58 Beacon Drive, Harrisburg, PA, 17112, (717) 540-1687.

In both age divisions, five finalists will be selected. These finalists will be interviewed to determine the 1993 Achievement Award winners. Since the senior division winner is entered in the National Jersey Youth Achievement Contest, the interviews for this age division will be held in the early part of February, 1993. Interviews for the junior division finalists will be held just prior to the PJCC annual meeting in March.

Juniors can also enter the youth production contest. Interested junior Jersey owners can nominate their registered Jerseys on official

DHI or DHIA test for these awards. Members must submit an official individual cow record (blue form) which bears an issue date from 1/1/92 to 12/31/92. This form is required to give contest officials a 350 2x mature equivalent value for the records submitted. All submitted records will be judged on their ME pounds of protein. Contestants are only allowed to enter one record per year. Top production records will be forwarded to the National Jersey Youth Production Contest.

The PJCC also selects outstanding scrapbook award winners in two age divisions, 9 to 14 years of age and 15 to 19 years of age. The scrapbooks are to pertain to the contestant's Jersey project(s) during the 1992 calendar year. All scrapbooks will be evaluated on both the quality and

quantity of their contents along with the artistic skill and creativeness shown in their development.

Jersey juniors in their first year of showing are eligible for the First Year Project Award. This contest is open to active Jersey members of an organized 4-H club who are 8 to 12 years of age. Contestants are required to submit their official Project Record Book along with a handwritten story entitled "Highlights of My First Jersey Project Year."

Finally, two scholarships, each for \$200, are available to Jersey

youth attending a college or who are high school students planning to enroll in a college program within one year high school graduation. Applicants must have been actively involved with Jersey cattle for at least two years. Entry forms are available from the youth coordinator.

All award applications and entries are due into the youth coordinator, Betsy Dupuis, by January 20. Further information about the awards is available by calling Dupuis at (717) 787-6903 daytime or (717) 540-1687 evenings.

## Create 'Ton Of Change' At Farm Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The Capital Region Friends of 4-H committee will sponsor a "Ton of Change" fund-raising campaign during the 1993 Pennsylvania Farm Show, Jan. 9-14, in Harrisburg.

"We're encouraging Farm Show visitors to donate their pocket change," says Robert Kessler, 4-H coordinator in Franklin County, who created the campaign. "A ton of change would equal about \$20,000. These funds would benefit 4-H'ers across the state."

Visitors can make donations at the Friends of 4-H exhibit outside the Large Arena. "We're welcoming contributions of any amount," says Kessler. "We'll have a set of scales at the collection area, so donors can weigh their contributions."

Money raised in the campaign will go to Pennsylvania Friends of 4-H. Since the volunteer group was founded in 1980, it has raised more than \$700,000 to support 4-H programs. Funds are used to send 4-H'ers to events such as National 4-H Congress and Capital Days, to recognize and train youth leaders and to add or enhance educational programs.

For those who want to learn more about 4-H, displays and presentations will be part of the Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences exhibit, near the machinery displays at the main entrance. Adult leaders and youth participants will be on hand to answer questions about 4-H programs.

For more information about Pennsylvania Friends of 4-H, contact Susan McLaughlin, 231 Agricultural Administration Building, University Park, PA 16802, (814) 863-1168. 4-H is open to all youths, regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin or disability.

The 1993 Farm Show will open to the public on Saturday, Jan. 9, and close on Thursday, Jan. 14. Hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday; and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday. Parking is \$2 and admission is free.

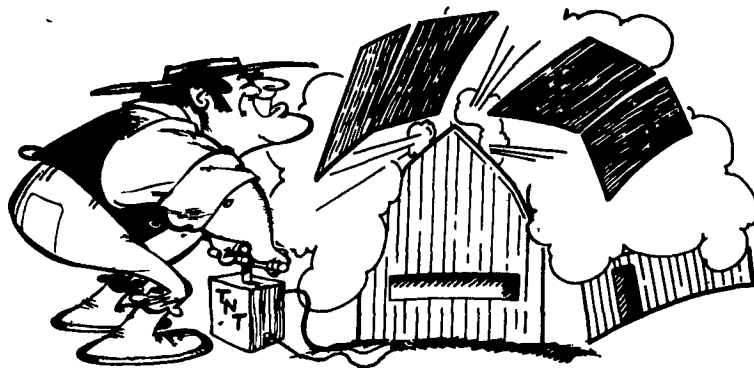
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