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Heidi Martin framed by apple blossoms reigns as Franklin County Apple Queen. Please see page B12 for the article on Heidi, who is the fifth generation to work in the family orchard. Photo by Bonnie Breckbill, Franklin County correspondent.

## Pine Haven Farms Wins Ohio Sheep Show

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HUNTSDALE (Cumberland Co.) — Pennsylvanians dominated the Ohio Suffolk Sale and Show held recently at the Preble County Fairgrounds in Eaton, Ohio.

The biggest winner was Pine Haven Farms of Huntsdale, which won with the senior champion and grand champion ram at the show.

However, John Conaway, a partner in Pine Haven Farms, said the Ohio show not only was good for his operation. He said it also was good for the sheep industry as a whole. "It was a real boost for the sheep industry," said Conaway. "This is the best sale we have seen in a long time."

According to Conaway, the Ohio show attracted exhibitors from not only Pennsylvania and Ohio, but from Virginia, New York, Indiana, Idaho, Mississippi, Nebraska, Vermont, Michigan, and several other states.

The show is one of the premier sheep shows of the year, he said.

Conaway said 300 head of Suffolks were shown and sold at the event, with an average sale price of \$600.

The winning Pine Haven ram

sold for the top price in the show of \$4,000, he said.

The ram was sold to Vanderwende Genetics of Fargo, N.D., Conaway said.

He said the animal already was a winner before it went to the Ohio show, since it was the champion Suffolk at the 1993 Pennsylvania Farm Show and was the champion at the 1992 Maryland State Fair.

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## Casey Signs Nutrient Act, Ag Board Law

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Gov. Robert Casey on Thursday signed into law two acts which affect agriculture and environmental concerns.

Casey signed into law the Nutrient Management Act and also an act to create an Agricultural Advisory Board to DER. Both laws go into effect in 60 days.

The two laws, though not specifically related, were both modified and created out of a basic conflict between DER and the agricultural

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## FFA's Learn Effective Leadership At Conference

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)

— To more fully define their roles as FFA chapter leaders, county officers met with state and national FFA representatives at Lancaster Mennonite High School Wednesday night at the second annual County Leadership Conference.

At the beginning of the Conference early Wednesday evening FFA members from Lancaster joined in "mixers," which helped to "break the ice and promote interaction," according to Jacy Clugston, state FFA secretary. FFA officers discussed activities at the chapter and county level.

The main objective of the leadership conference, which lasted until 9 p.m., said Jacy, was to give FFA members a more complete understanding of what their functions are.

"This is something the county

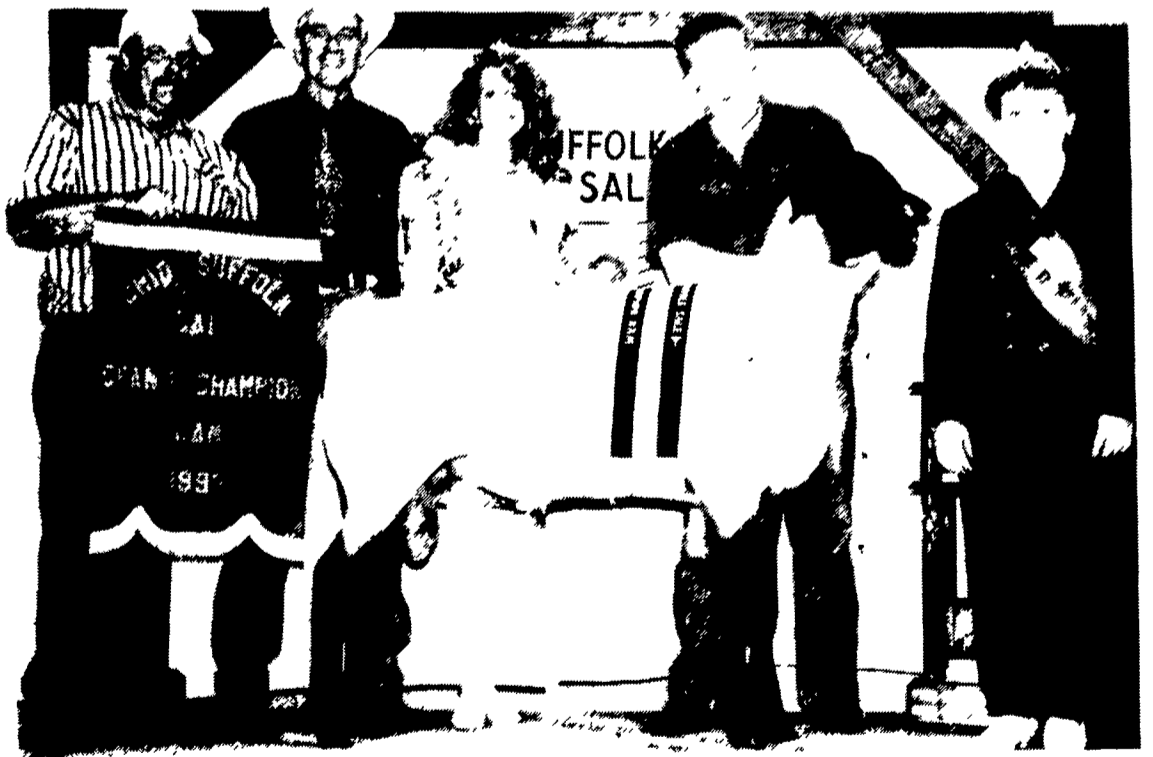
officers believed was necessary, and decided to do for the second year at the county level," said Jacy.

At the conference, which featured several leadership training sessions and workshops to allow officers to be more effective in chapter leadership and development sessions for ag literacy and other programs, FFA's learned "the importance of being involved as officers," said Jacy.

"No job is more important than another," she said. "We need every member to work cooperatively to help them and their programs grow."

Participating members at the Conference also included national central region vice president John Kleiboeker; Mandy Hilbert, state FFA president; Ben Ehrhart, state vice president; and Shelly Oglie, state FFA reporter.

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Grand champion ram of the Ohio Show and Sale, from left, John Conaway, of Pine Haven Farm; Bill Cretcher, judge; Susan Wise, Ohio Suffolk Queen; Roger Snyder, showman; and Julie Thompson, National Suffolk Queen.

## Lancaster Farm And Home Foundation Names Scholarship Winners

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)

— Seven county high school seniors received \$1,000 scholarships from the Farm and Home Foundation on Tuesday night.

Recipients of the scholarship

must pursue a career in agriculture or home economics, and are selected based on school standing, leadership, extracurricular activities, and financial need.

For the past 28 years 338 scholarships have been given from the trust fund set up by the late Elmer

L. Esbenshade. The number of scholarships given varies from year to year depending on the interest earned from the trust. Some years as many as 14 students received scholarships, but declining interest rates lowered the number of recipients this year and

made it difficult for Foundation Committee members to choose from the 19 applicants.

Recipients of the \$1,000 scholarships are as follows:

George Bard, the son of George and Jackie Bard of Conestoga, is a Penn Manor student who

plans to study engineering at Penn State. "I like math and science, and I wanted to do something in that area," George said.

George is an FFA member who was part of the National Dairy Judging Team. At Penn Manor, he

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