



HAPPENINGS

SOLANCO 4-H

The third meeting of the Solanco Community 4-H Club was held June 22 in the Hoffman building.

Lori Burkholder, host of Channel 8 Live, came to talk to the members. She highlighted the pros and cons of television careers, and the ways you can become involved in television.

She told the members that on Wednesdays, when C.S. Keys, her co-host, has off the co-host spot is opened to the public. The next 4-H meeting will be on July 27 in the Hoffman Building at 7:30 p.m. The talent show is going to be performed at this meeting.

4-H Foundation

Awards 1993 Grants

The Delaware 4-H Foundation Inc. has rewarded 1993 innovative program grants to three clubs.

The grants went to Giorgianna Daugherty of the Fantastics 4-H Club, Newark; the Stateline 4-H Club, Seaford; and the Highland-

ers 4-H Club, Wilmington. Grants were awarded in two areas: understanding other people and community service.

Daugherty's \$50 grant will assist her in developing a "Sights and Sounds of Canadian Culture" program to be presented to local 4-H groups.

The Stateline 4-H Club will use their \$50 grant to buy water-quality testing materials. The club has adopted Pen Branch Stream as part of the Delaware Stream Watch program and will be running monthly tests and inspections.

The \$65 grant that the Highlanders 4-H Club received was used by Mike Nye and Brian Raughley to take photo portraits of Ministry of Caring day-care children. The photos were presented to the children's parents.

4-H Dairy Training

Warren County hosted the annual northwestern Pennsylvania 4-H dairy overnighter recently. More than 100 four-H'ers and many leaders and parents from nine counties attended the two-day training. Several tours and dairy judging highlighted the first day of events.

Dr. Gary Rogers, Penn State dairy specialist, was the featured speaker. He discussed dairy animal selection, changes to the unified score card, and dairy genetics. After Dr. Rogers spoke to the entire group, the 4-H'ers divided into three groups according to age.

A dairy judging contest was held. The juniors placed three classes of dairy heifers and cows. The top ten winners were 1. Jonathon Kosa, Potter County. 2. Maria Mowrey, Jefferson. 3. Jenni Owens, Warren.

The intermediate group had to place six classes of dairy heifers and cows. Those placing were 1. Mark Blair, Warren County. 2. Mandy Hitchcock, Warren. 3. Jeremy Williams, Crawford.

The intermediate group also had to prepare a two-minute talk on choosing a 4-H dairy project. The top placers for their talk were 1. Shannon Cavanagh, Crawford County. 2. Paul Smith, Clarion. 3. Amanda Gilkinson, Erie. Combining the two scores the highest overall placings were: 1. Mark Blair, Warren County. 2. Jeremy Williams, Crawford. 3. Mandy Hitchcock, Warren.

The senior division also had to place six classes of animals. Highest for placing were: 1. Emily Smith, Clarion County. 2. Sara Duncan, Crawford. 3. Brian Gourley, Warren. The seniors had to give oral reasons on two classes of dairy cows. The top reasons scores were 1. Candy Hitchcock, Warren County. 2. Sara Duncan, Crawford. 3. Andy Marzka, Crawford. The best overall scores were 1. Sara Duncan, Crawford County. 2. Candy Hitchcock, Warren. 3. Emily Smith, Clarion.

Upon completion of the dairy judging contest the juniors went on a tour of the Kinzua Dam. The intermediate and senior groups toured Tussey Mountain Animal Bedding and Ray's Recycling. Tussey Mountain processes old newspaper into animal bedding and Ray's transforms raw garbage into fuel pellets.

After dinner, the 4-H'ers painted T-shirts, participated in skill-a-thons, and enjoyed games.

The second day had a series of workshops for the juniors. They learned about dairy breeds, animal parts, preparing a show bed, and organizing a show box. The intermediate and senior groups had workshops on animal health care skills, clipper maintenance, hoof trimming, and dairy nutrition.

The final event was a mock auction of 12 dairy heifers. The 4-H'ers divided into 10 teams and were allotted \$2,500 to bid on the animals. All the heifers were given a value based on their genetics and appearance. The team that spent their money the wisest were the winners.

Local Teens Attend Conference

Katie Cressman of Telford and Dee Williams of Chalfont recently participated in the fifth annual Penn State 4-H Ambassador Conference held June 21-23 at the University Park Campus where they attended workshops on interviewing skills, public speaking, and marketing.

These ambassadors will serve as spokespersons for the 120,000 4-H members of Pennsylvania. Dee was a Junior Advisor to the program, and served as a 4-H State Ambassador Team member this past year.

Serving on the Conference Management committee were Key 4-H Leader Betty Lutz of Spring City and Montgomery County Extension Agent Nancy Kadwill of Collegeville.

Katie will be a county 4-H Ambassador for the coming year and hopes to promote 4-H through radio, school talks, displays and programs for civic organizations.

In addition to the workshops, the conference delegates visited with a number of Penn State faculty and administrators during a reception at the Nittany Lion Inn sponsored by Williams Asbury, vice president for student affairs.

State 4-H ambassadors promote the 4-H youth program and the land-grant university system and

are available to speak to groups about Penn State Cooperative Extension and 4-H.

For more information about the program, contact Nancy Kadwill, 4-H Coordinator, PO Box 20, 1015 Rt. 133, Creamery, PA 19430-0020 (215) 489-4315.

Adams County 4-H

Three Adams County 4-H teens will be attending a week-long conference, 4-H Citizenship Washington Focus (CWF), at the National 4-H Center in Chevy Chase, Md.

The 4-H teens are Denise Green, Gettysburg; Kim Funt, Arendtsville; and Debbie Wilkinson, Gettysburg. The National 4-H Center, located just outside Washington, D.C., is the perfect place for the 4-H members to stay while learning about citizenship, our democratic form of government, and current issues facing the federal government. The theme for this year's CWF Conference is "A People's Power."

Adams County 4-H teens and 41 other teens from Pennsylvania, will join members from five other states to use our nation's capitol as a classroom for a week. Meetings with congressmen and senators, along with visits to federal agencies, historical buildings, and cultural centers allow the 4-H teens to

participate as they learn. This is the traditional "learn by doing" 4-H trademark.

Between visits to Washington, the 4-H teens will attend discussion and lecture workshops on what they experienced. They also will explore ways to make use of the concepts for themselves and for their communities at home. After a week at CWF, these 4-H teens will have a better understanding of government "by the people and for the people."

4-H'ers Participate

In Demonstration Contest

In the annual Somerset County 4-H Demonstration Contest, 43 4-H club members presented a total of 35 demonstrations in six project areas. The event was held Wednesday, June 16, at the Somerset Area Vo-Tech School. Project work in categories of animal science, foods and nutrition, home and family management, clothing and textiles, engineering and plant science was demonstrated.

Senior division winners will move on to the State 4-H Days at the Penn State campus July 27-29. Premiums and operating funds for the contest were provided by the Somerset County 4-H Development Fund, Inc.

Judges for the event were David Antram, Rachael Mostoller, and

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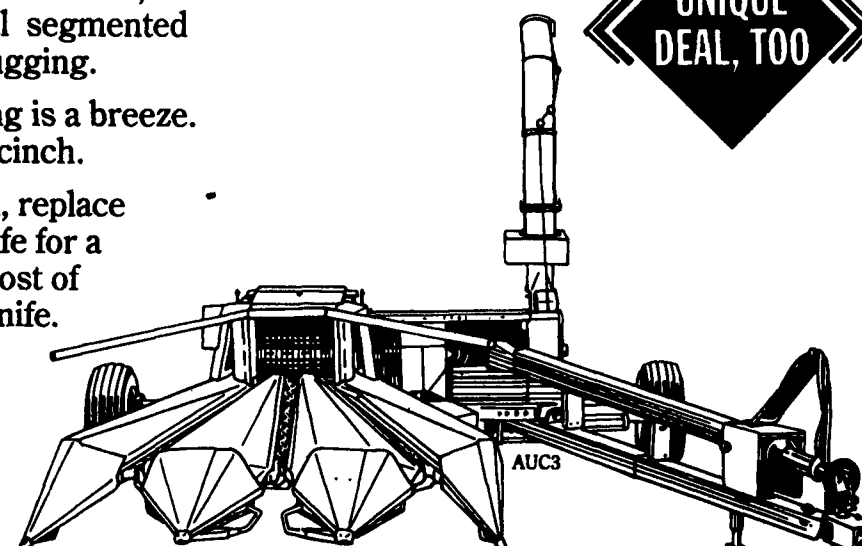
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