

## Chester County Dairy Milk Lines

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Summertime & 4-H  
Dairy Projects

During the summer I spend more time working with 4-H youth than any other time during the year. It is one of the more enjoyable aspects of being a county agent.

Watching youth develop from 8-year-olds who are bug-eyed and a little scared at their first show to mature 19-year-olds who are quality show people and leaders in their 4-H clubs and other activities, is truly a rewarding experience.

How does this happen?

First, and most important, is the role volunteer leaders play in the process.

Having been a 4-H leader myself when I farmed, I know how much work and education is required to operate a successful program.

A leader must be to the 4-H member an educator, an idea person, a friend, a motivator, and organizer and, at times, a disciplinarian. Sort of sounds like a good mom or pop figure.

There is no question that volunteer leaders need a pat on the back from all of us. The reason for the success of the 4-H dairy and 4-H dairy goat programs in Chester County is the excellent leadership

supplied by the volunteer leaders. Secondly, you need projects that are fun to do and yet challenge the young people.

4-H meets this criteria with such a broad range of skills that there is a project to suit anyone's interest. In 4-H dairy, there are a variety of topics to learn — fitting and showing animals, record keeping, judging and dairy bowl teams, management skills, etc. Besides dairy projects, they can branch out to other projects such as photography, crafts, shooting sports, vet science, and a host of other activities.

Some of these skills are carried over to adult life for those choosing a career in agriculture, while others teach self-discipline, good work habits and the use of the mind to solve problems — traits essential for any career.

Encouraging young people to get on their feet and speak to their peers at a meeting is an experience that will aid them in future endeavors. Leadership has to be practiced to improve, and leaders need to motivate their members to keep trying to get better.

The results of the Chester County 4-H shows have been reported in this newspaper, and there will be an awards banquet in early November to honor members, not only on their show record, but on their project books and their cows production records. A few highlights of the summer are:

- Dairy Show
  - Senior Fitting/Showing - Kelly Young
  - Junior Fitting/Showing - Ben Hendricks
  - 1st Year Fitting - Erin Brobst
  - 1st Year Showing - Crystal Kolb
- Dairy Goat Show
  - Best Fitter of Show - Becky Hendricks
  - Best Showperson of Show - Kathleen Anderson
  - Best Doe in Show - Laura Anderson's Alpine
  - Reserve Best Doe in Show -

Theresa Holz's Oberhashi  
•Dairy Judging  
Senior Team - 6th at Penn State.  
Members: Brian & Craig Nolan and Jarrod Johns  
Junior Team - 2nd at DVC and 9th at Penn State. Members: Katie Young, Clint Stees, and Mike Troop  
If you have young people in your family and are interested in getting them involved in the 4-H Dairy program in Chester County, contact me, Walter Wurster

(215-696-3500) or one of the following club leaders:  
•Mildred Seeds, Downingtown (269-0759)  
•Sharon Nolan, Cochranville (593-7465)  
•John St. John, New London (869-8745)  
•Jim Wertz, Phoenixville (923-4702)  
Give your kid a chance to realize his or her potential, join 4-H today!

### Chester County DHIA August, 1993

Cows producing over 800 lbs. protein are:

Name	Breed	Age	Milk	Fat	Pro
Joseph & Sandra Lusby					
*Match	H	8-2	28,878	789	810
Sadie	H	3-9	24,882	935	805
Ken & Marilyn Umble					
Snappy	H	5-2	30,439	907	941
Timberview Farm					
Scent	H	4-11	28,857	1075	882
Spring Aqua Farm					
30	H	5-4	25,656	936	802
John S. Stoltzfus					
49	H	3-0	27,670	1175	817
Merle J. King					
Gwen	H	8-0	26,610	979	819
Libby	H	6-1	30,114	1106	897
Harold & Glenn Ranck					
Elma	H	3-8	27,660	940	811
Dunwood Farm					
Cletis	H	4-2	28,366	1042	919
Carmel	H	4-7	24,265	1122	825
Chris & Chester Stoltzfus					
Pam	H	5-5	27,820	976	822
Katie	H	5-3	26,241	913	816
Ridge Star Farm					
147	H	1-10	24,571	788	816
Tim & Phyllis Barlow					
Lolly	H	4-4	25,673	940	823
Richard Hoover					
18	H	2-11	26,907	940	866
Charles J. Moore					
Alfalfa	H	3-7	30,977	612	975
Century Oak Farm					
Beryl	H	3-5	28,521	879	944
Herman Stoltzfus					
Garland	H	4-8	27,336	970	827
Mark & Melody Stoltzfus					
Pearl	H	3-7	30,446	893	902
Wilkinson Farm 1					
2952	H	3-5	24,847	775	800
2946	H	3-6	27,017	815	802
David S. Stoltzfus					
Penny	H	4-6	26,645	953	825
I. Lamar Horst					
40	H	3-0	25,788	810	877
Melwood Farm					
Maria	H	2-10	26,277	1036	876
Sylvia	H	3-1	28,905	1147	984
Pei-Valley Farm					
84	H	6-10	24,810	975	809

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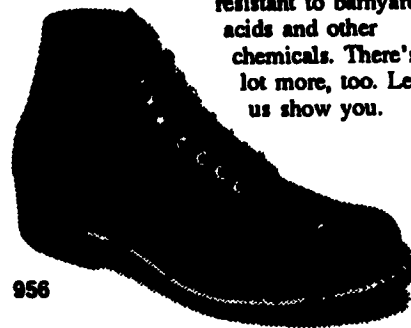
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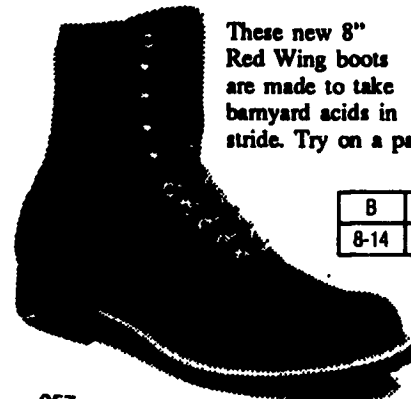


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