

# Umbrell, Brubaker Cap Year With 4-H Swine Honors

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**BIRD IN HAND** (Lancaster Co.) — More than 125 4-H members, family, and friends were on hand to show their support of the county 4-H Swine Club at a special banquet at Bird In Hand Restaurant Thursday night.

Seven-year 4-H member Tina Umbrell, 18, daughter of Dennis and Linda Umbrell, Elizabethtown, was honored as 1993 Outstanding Member of the club. She serves as club vice president. Tina, who said that she has been very proud of her showmanship accomplishments at the Elizabethtown and Manheim fairs, in addition to the roundup and carcass shows in the county, attributes the honor to her hard work. This year, Tina placed first in senior showmanship at the county roundup, was awarded a blue ribbon for the top 10 project books two years in a row, and raised 19 market hogs in a profitable year.

The 1993 Lancaster County Miracle Child was honored as Rookie of the Year for his attitude and enthusiasm he put toward his club. P. Jacob Brubaker, 9, son of Doug and Brenda Brubaker, Kinzer, has participated during his first year at the roundup and carcass shows. According to his mother, Brenda, Jacob also helps out in all phases of the family's fin-



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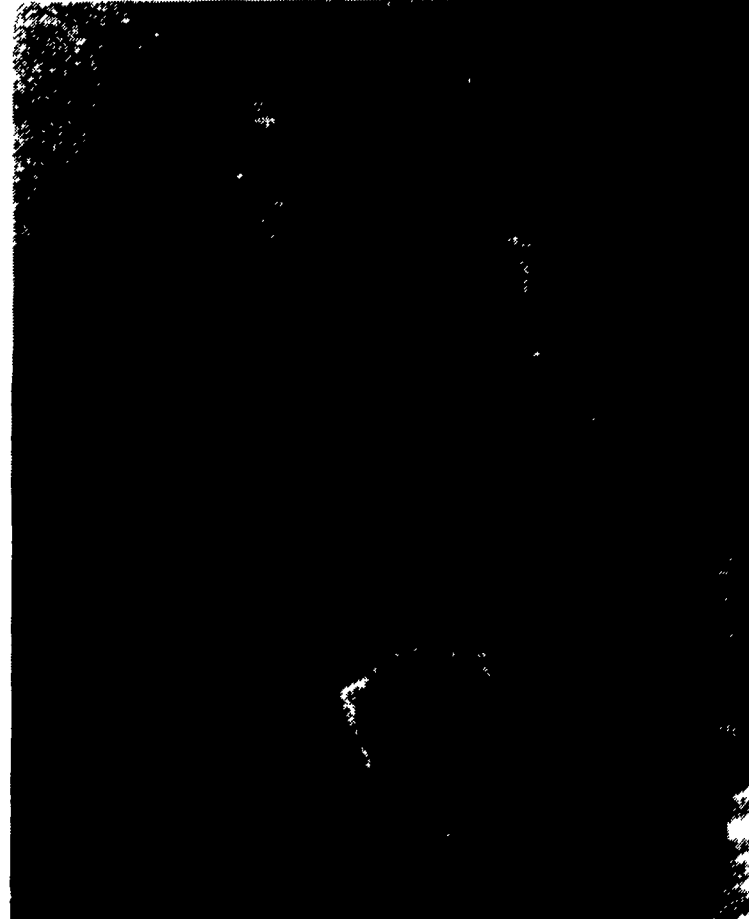
ishing operation, including sorting, moving, and feeding pigs.

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Chet Hughes, extension livestock specialist, said this year the membership on the county swine club has increased to 91 members, 11 percent over last year. During the past six years, the club's enroll-

ment has increased by 51 percent. This year, 27 are going to the state Farm Show — seven more than last year, he said. This is club's sixth year as a countywide organization, and they held their eighth show and sale at Manheim and their fifth successful carcass show.

Club officers are Tracy Bollinger, president; Tina Umbrell, vice president; Amy Bollinger, secretary; Regina Landis, assistant secretary; Matt Umbrell, treasurer; Travis Donough, assistant treasurer; and Scott Stoltzfus and Gerald Boyd, news reporters.



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## Carriage Club Celebrates 25th

**LEBANON** (Lebanon Co.) — The Red Rose Horse and Pony Carriage Club celebrated its silver anniversary recently with a 14-mile drive through the picturesque farmland of Lebanon County. The drive included a stop at the farm on which the idea for the club was born more than a quarter century ago.

The caravan of 16 carriages, which ranged from two-wheel pony carts to four-in-hand road coaches, took their drivers and passengers back to their roots with a visit to the farm of the late Harry Harnish located east of the village of Prescott.

At the farm, Richard Glatfelter, of East Petersburg, one of three founding members who took part in the drive, outlined the birth of the club.

"Harry, I and some others showed and raced ponies," Glatfelter said. "One day after the racing season had ended we were here and Harry suggested we should do something more with our ponies. Over a big pot of bean

soup we decided to form a club."

From those beginnings, the Red Rose Club has grown into an organization with 185 family members from the five-county area of Lancaster, Lebanon, Berks, Chester and Dauphin, plus New Jersey and Maryland.

Annual drives over the past quarter century have taken members west through the Gettysburg battlefield, east through Valley Forge National Park, south into Maryland and north into the Pocono Mountains.

But Sunday's drive was a nostalgic step back to commemorate the silver anniversary of the club.

The afternoon drive began with a catered luncheon hosted by club members Glenn and Robin Wenger in Myerstown.

Then, assembled in a block-long caravan, the group drove west and south through Lebanon County farm country. A halfway rest stop was made at the Richard Kreider beef farm.

At a brisk seven-mile-per-hour pace, the group clip-clopped



Three founding members of the Red Rose Horse and Pony Carriage Club preparing for start of silver anniversary drive on Sunday include Richard Glatfelter, East Petersburg, on wagon; Joseph Kugler, Lebanon; and Charlene Hall.

through the colorful farmland that was beginning to show its fall finery.

Following the 14-mile jaunt,

the group returned to the Wenger farm, Myerstown, for unhitching, reloading of vans, and the trips back home.

In addition to drives, the club also holds an annual sleigh ride in

February at the Lebanon Pumping Station.

Officers of the club include Barbara Smoyer, Grantville, president and Eleanor Harrison, Chester County, vice president.



A caravan of carriages pulls into Richard Kreider farm, Prescott Road, Lebanon County, for halfway rest stop during silver anniversary drive.

## Tour To Showcase On-Farm Composting

**CREAMERY** (Montgomery Co.) — Montgomery County Cooperative Extension's Recycling Education Office has arranged with the Kumpf family for a tour of their new on-farm composting operation on Wednesday, October 27, 11 a.m., at the Kumpf farm, Trooper & Woodlyn Roads in Worcester.

Disposal of organic wastes is an increasing problem for many farmers, municipalities, and people in the green industry such as landscapers, nurseries, and greenhouses. Composting on an intermediate or large scale turns organic wastes into a valuable soil amendment and conditioner. Compost can enhance soils or replace costly peat and topsoil.

To get to the farm, take 363 (Valley Forge Rd.) to 1 mile north of Germantown Pike, then go east

on Woodlyn and take the first left. The farm is on the corner on your left. The tour is open to farmers, landscapers, nursery and greenhouse owners, others in the green industry, municipalities, and anyone else interested in learning about medium-scale composting.

Andy and Rose Kumpf and George Leidig, of Atrusa Compost Consulting, will be on hand to explain what materials they are composting, where the compost materials come from, how the composting process is managed, and what is done with the finished compost.

The Kumpfs, Leidig, and Sally Pick, extension's recycling education director, will also be available to answer questions.

There is no charge for the tour. For directions to the farm, call the recycling education office at (215) 454-1245.