

Weather, Soil Work To Provide Champion Tobacco

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)
— Simply put, growing good tobacco depends on the best soil and weather — and a Strasburg area farmer insists he's got the best of both.

Donald M. Rohrer, who lives near Strasburg, picked up grand champion smoking tobacco last week at the Lancaster County tobacco show.

Rohrer, who grows about five acres of tobacco, said the sandy-loam soil he grows his tobacco on provides a good, light crop. Rohrer indicated that a former tobacco show judge once said some of the best tobacco in Lancaster comes from the soil of Strasburg, which is rich in nutrient-holding mica.

Rohrer repeated as champion from last year, and has won about 10 championships out of the last 15: He said he intends to gradually cut back on growing tobacco as he nears retirement.

Todd M. Rohrer, Strasburg, won grand champion Pa. Type 41 tobacco at the show.

Lancaster County Ag Agent Bob Anderson said that this year has been a good growing year for

tobacco. Anderson said he was surprised that there have been fewer disease and insect problems in growing tobacco than the county has seen in the past.

There were a total of 45 exhibitors. Judges for the show were Geoffrey Ranck, Domestic Tobacco, and Jay Frey, Lancaster Leaf.

Following is a list of show placings.

LANCASTER COUNTY TOBACCO SHOW RESULTS

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Class 1 (Wrapper): 1. Todd M. Rohrer. 2. A. Lois Burkholder. 3. Taylor Groff. Class 2 (Filler): 1. S. Kevin Bauman. 2. Robert F. Bachman. 3. A. Lois Burkholder. Class 3 (Binder): 1. Donald M. Rohrer. 2. Mark A. Rohrer. 3. Charlotte Hoffines. Class 4 (Pa. Smoking Bottoms): 1. Gary R. Neff. 2. Arlene Bingeman. Class 5 (Pa. Smoking Middles): 1. Donald M. Rohrer. 2. Jay Richard Groff. 3. Arlene Bingeman. Class 6 (Pa. Smoking Tops): 1. Raymond W. Burkholder. 2. A. Lois Burkholder. 3. Arlene Bingeman.

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Class 13 (Wrapper): 1. Jessica L. Neff. 2. Peter Hoffines. 3. Keith Hoover. Class 14 (Filler): 1. Tom Karr. 2. Joel Frey. 3. Beth Frey. Class 15 (Binder): 1. Peter Hoffines. 2. Jessica L. Neff. 3. Ryan L. Flosser. Class 16 (Pa. Smoking Bottoms): 1. Jessica L. Neff. 2. Ryan L. Flosser. 3. Klint Frey. Class 17 (Pa. Smoking Middles): 1. Keith Frey. 2. Jessica L. Neff. 3. Klint Frey. Class 18 (Pa. Smoking Tops): 1. Keith Frey. 2. Jessica L. Neff. 3. Klint Frey.

GRAND CHAMPION 41
Todd Rohrer
GRAND CHAMPION SMOKING
Donald M. Rohrer



Donald M. Rohrer, Strasburg, center, won grand champion smoking tobacco last week at the Lancaster County Tobacco Show. From left, Jay Frey, Lancaster Leaf; Rohrer; and Geoffrey Ranck, Domestic Tobacco.

Pork Congress Sets Junior Speaking Contest

CAMP HILL (Cumberland Co.) — The Pennsylvania Pork Producers' Junior Speaking Contest will be held on Wednesday, February 16, during the Keystone Pork Congress here at the Penn Harris Convention Center.

There are three age divisions,

one for ages 8 to 11, second for ages 12 to 15, and the third division is for ages 16 to 19. Age is based on age by January 1, 1994.

The participants for the 1994 contest must use one of the following titles for their presentation: "Humor in the Pigpen," "Pigs in

Harmony with the Environment," "Animal Rights/Welfare; What Can I Do?" or "Pork 2000: The Future of the Industry."

Each presentation should be a minimum of three minutes and a maximum of five minutes in length. The speakers will be asked

to respond to questions at the end of their presentation. Prizes will be awarded to the first four in each division.

First prize will be \$50 and two tickets to the KPC Banquet, where they will present the speak for the entertainment of the group. Second will receive \$40, third is \$30,

and fourth is \$20. All other participants will receive \$10.

A registration fee of \$5 along with the speaker's name, age, and address should be sent by February 1, to KPPC Jr Speaking Contest, c/o Bruce E. Lemmon, 855 Alexander Spring Road, Carlisle, PA 17013.

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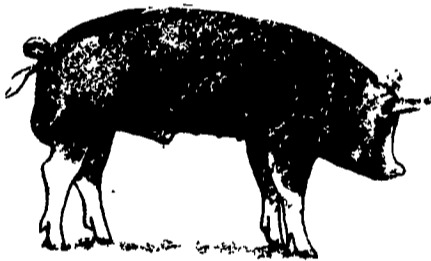
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— A satellite program to be aired February 17 from 7 p.m.-9 p.m. CST

will prepare producers for Pork Quality Assurance Level III certification.

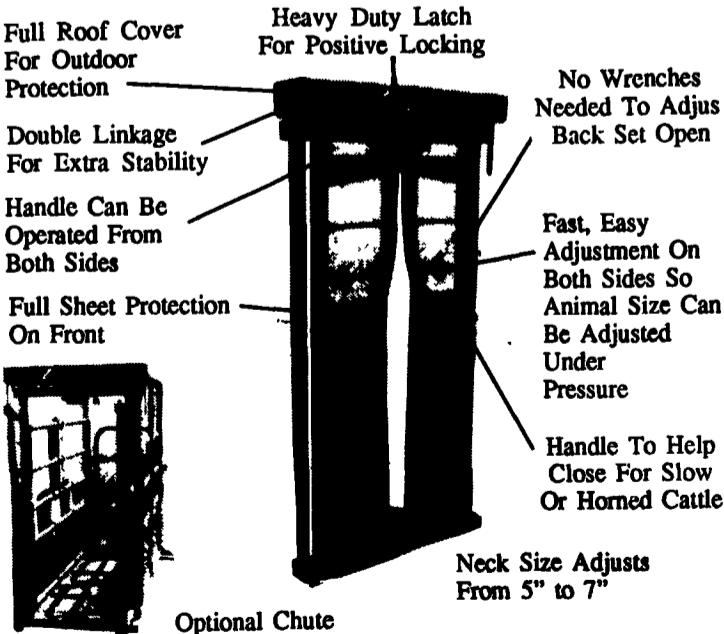
The program is made possible by the National Pork Board in association with the National Pork Producers Council (NPPC) and the University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

Producers, veterinarians, and industry experts will take part in a review of Levels I & II, the 10 Critical Control Points in Level III, an overview of federal recordkeeping regulations, and yearly recertification information. The satellite broadcast will feature a new video incorporating many practical on-farm applications of Level III. Viewers may call in their questions to a panel during the program by calling (800) 755-7765.

To find the nearest satellite site, pork producers may contact their local veterinarian, county extension office, or county or state pork producer association. Satellite coordinates may be obtained from NPPC after February 1 by calling (800) 456-7675. The program is available on either C-band or Ku-band.



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