

Students Receive Scholarships To Pursue Ag-Related Careers

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was based on his exposure to helping on the family farm. Since Jeffrey's father died, the farm has been rented out, but Jeffrey helps with the work on the 125 acres and with milking about 48 cows. Jeffrey is a member of the National Honor Society and plays on the volleyball team at school. Last year, he spent three weeks in Germany as a cultural exchange student. This year, he hosted a student from the same town. As an active member of the Middle Creek Church of the Brethren youth group, Jeffrey has traveled to other states for work projects.

He has four sisters and one brother. He wants to stay close to the family farm and help others through the business aspect of farming.

Amy Espenshade, is the daughter of Harvey and Susan Espenshade of Elizabethtown. She plans to study horticulture for two years at the Penn State York Campus before transferring to the main campus.

After moving up through the ranks of many offices, Amy is president of the FFA at Elizabethtown High School. She is also treasurer of the National Honor Society, and a member of the following clubs: Overcoming Drugs through Education, Key, and Human Relations, a community service club.

On the family's 140-acre farm, Amy helps milk 50 cows and feeds the calves. She has a brother and a sister. She is a member of the youth ministry team at the Elizabethtown Brethren in Christ Church.

Debra Fisher, who lives in Lancaster is headed to Iowa State after her graduation from Conestoga Valley High School. The 17-year-old said she chose Iowa State

because it has an excellent veterinary medicine program.

Debra likes working with animals and had a taste of her career choice by working part time at the Smoketown Veterinary Hospital last year. She also volunteers time at the Humane Society, where she takes animals for walks.

Debra has traveled to France with her French class, is active in soccer, band, Lyceum lectures, newspaper staff, Adopt-a-Highway, International Club, photography, and dancing. At St. Anthony's Church, she is active in the youth group and serves as an usher.

Debra lives with her parents, Frank and Lorraine Fisher and a sister Tina.

Kristen Groff, daughter of Carlton and Carol Groff of Kirkwood, has her sights set on studying agri-biology at Carleton University in Minnesota. To reach this decision, Kristen visited 12 colleges. Carleton was the last one she visited, but immediately she knew it was the right one because "I felt at home and the school has a strong biology program."

Kristen's career choice was influenced by working in her parents' business, Groff's Plant Farm with its 13 greenhouses.

At Solanco High School, Kristen is secretary of the Young Educator's Association, band, chorus, and plays. At the Middle Octoraro Presbyterian Church, Kristen is president of the youth group, a deacon, a Sunday school teacher, and choir member.

Kristen toured Europe last summer with American Music Abroad.

Marcia Harnish, is best known as Lancaster County and Pennsylvania Alternate Dairy Princess. She is also president of FFA at Manheim Central and in the county chapter.

She works at White Oak Mills in dairy nutrition through the ag work study program, and will continue there this summer and the summers between studying agribusiness at Penn State. She would like a career in communications and marketing in agriculture.

Marci helps her parents, Robert and Marti, on their 80-acre Manheim farm where they milk 50 cows. She has a brother, Greg, and a sister, Kristen.

At school, Marci has played field hockey, participated in the Spring musical, been named Teen of the Week, and was crowned Manheim Farm Show Queen.

Marci is active at Ruhls United Methodist Church and has traveled on several mission's trips.

Lora Shelton, the daughter of Charles and Margie Shelton of Quarryville, attends Solanco High School.

Her love for horses is pushing her toward studying biology and pre-veterinarian medicine at Millersville University. She wants to be a vet who specializes in horses.

Lora is a member of Chester County 4-H and the Lan-Chester 4-H Pony Club.

Mark Tracy, in addition to rais-

ing Southdown sheep and market lambs on his parent's farm, also participates in livestock and meats judging and in the 4-H ambassador program. He is a former president of the Woolies Club where he has been a member for 10 years.

Mark is in the gifted program at Elizabethtown High School. His team placed third in state competition of the Odyssey of the Mind. Mark is also a club member of Overcoming Drugs in Education, soccer, and ski club.

At St. Peter's Church, Mark is an altar server. He is a member of Denal, the Masonic Fraternal Group for Young Men.

Perry County Search For Dairy Princess

NEW BLOOMFIELD (Perry Co.) — The Perry County Dairy Promotion Committee is searching for candidates for Dairy Princess, Dairy Ambassador, and Little Dairy Miss. The pageant will be held at the Perry County Extension Office in New Bloomfield on June 18 at 8 p.m.

Candidates for Dairy Ambassador must have a desire to promote the dairy industry and attend a one-day seminar in July. They must be between the ages of 13 and 23 and may be male or female.

Candidates for Little Dairy Miss must be at least 5 years old and will not reach her 9th birthday by July 1. They must be the daughter or granddaughter of a dairy farmer or dairy farm manager or herdsman.

Anyone interested in promoting

dairy products and the dairy industry for Perry County should contact Brenda Hollister, chairperson, at 717-834-3298, Marel Raub at 717-834-4721, or Patti McLaughlin at 717-582-4847 for an application. Deadline for entries is June 3.

Lebanon County To Hold Ice Cream Social

ONO (Lebanon Co.) — In recognition of June as National Dairy Month, the Lebanon County Dairy Promotion Committee has scheduled an all-you-can-eat ice cream social to be held at the Lebanon Vocational-Technical School 7:30 p.m., June 4.

The school is located on the east end of the city of Lebanon, off of

Rt. 422 East.

According to Kynel Himmelberger, with the county promotion committee, the ice cream social is being held to honor the county's outgoing dairy princesses and little miss.

In addition to the ice cream, there is to be music provided by Roy Shirk.

The event is being held in lieu of the annual dairy princess pageant, because interested contestants could not be found.

However, the committee is still searching for contestants to serve as Little Miss for dairy promotion. In order to qualify as a little miss, contestants must be at least 5 years old, and no older than 9 years.

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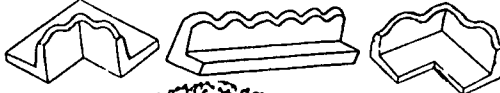
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