

Somerset County

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Dye, an agriculture educator and supervisor whose first love is said to have been parliamentary procedure. Second place went to Somerset County AVTS.

The Ed Shoemaker Memorial Trophy, another rotating award honoring a second deceased ag teacher, was presented the number one demonstration team — Brothersvalley Chapter.

Winners of the conservation speaking checks, given by Keith Largent in behalf of the conservation district, were first, Dennis Stevanus, AVTS; second, Jonathan Smiley, Brothersvalley; and Jeremy Schilling, AVTS, third.

Sports trophies for both basketball and softball were won by the Meyersdale FFA Chapter team. Brothersvalley was tops in volleyball.

Extemporaneous public speaking winners were first, Jeremy Bartels, Somerset FFA; second, Amy Gary, Somerset County AVTS; and third, Jason Shuller, also AVTS.

Winners in the prepared FFA public speaking contest were first, Carey Weigle, Somerset FFA; second, Adam Shaffer, Brothersvalley; and third, Ben Shipley, Meyersdale FFA.

FFA junior public speaking contest winners were Don Speicher, Brothersvalley, first; Doug Deaner, Brothersvalley, second; Billy Smith, AVTS, third.

Jeremy Walters from the Brothersvalley Chapter was first in creed speaking. Dan Nichols, AVTS, was second and Elisha Wilt, Meyersdale, placed third.

The 1995 FFA skills judging contests were interview, wildlife, horse judging, forestry, dairy cattle, livestock, floriculture, tractor driving and small gas engines.

Interview was led by Rachel Wright, AVTS; Adam Shaffer,

Berlin-Brothersvalley, second; and Jeremy Bartels, Somerset, third.

Matt Brant, AVTS, was first in wildlife; followed by Steve Benford, AVTS, second; and Dennis Stevanus, AVTS, third.

Mike Ray, Somerset, led in horse judging. Second was Carey Weigle, Somerset and third, Scott Norris, Somerset.

Forestry found Steve Benford, AVTS, first; Joe Darby, AVTS, second; and Dennis Stevanus, AVTS, third.

Joel Smiley, Brothersvalley, led dairy cattle judging. Second was Bruce Hartman, Brothersvalley. Third was Matt Hoffman, Somerset.

In livestock, Jason Ickes, Brothersvalley was first; Rick Berkeley, Meyersdale was second; and Aric Tressler, Somerset was third.

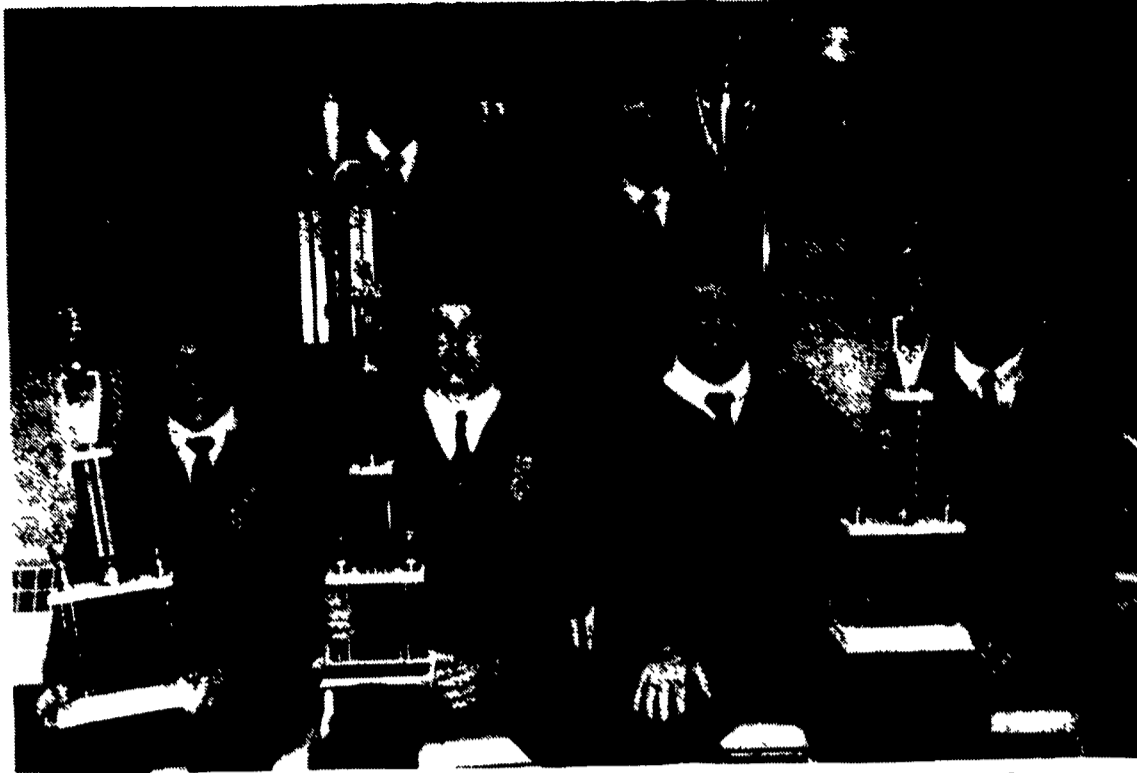
Serena Porterfield, AVTS, was first in floriculture. Heidi Watkoski, AVTS, was second and third was Genette Muro, AVTS.

Jonathan Smiley, Brothersvalley, was first in tractor driving, followed by Aric Tressler, Somerset, second and Travis Stevens, AVTS, third.

Winning the small gas engines competition was the team of Josh Glessner and Eric Lohr, Somerset. Second was Dusty Glessner and Jeremy Walters, Brothersvalley. Third was Jeff Knotts and Ben Shipley, Meyersdale.

Heidi Dahlhammer, Wellsville, the state FFA secretary, was guest speaker. She was accompanied by Kelli Zeigler, Newville, who is the south central region FFA vice president.

Dahlhammer used her own first FFA jacket with its many award pins to illustrate how far she's come since first joining the FFA organization. She was scared at first, but willing to try something new at the time.



Trophy recipients for the 1995 Somerset County FFA representing their Chapters, are from left, Jesse Rogers, Matt Hay, Richard Boden and Adam Gauntz. Standing are Matt Coleman and Jonathan Dickey.

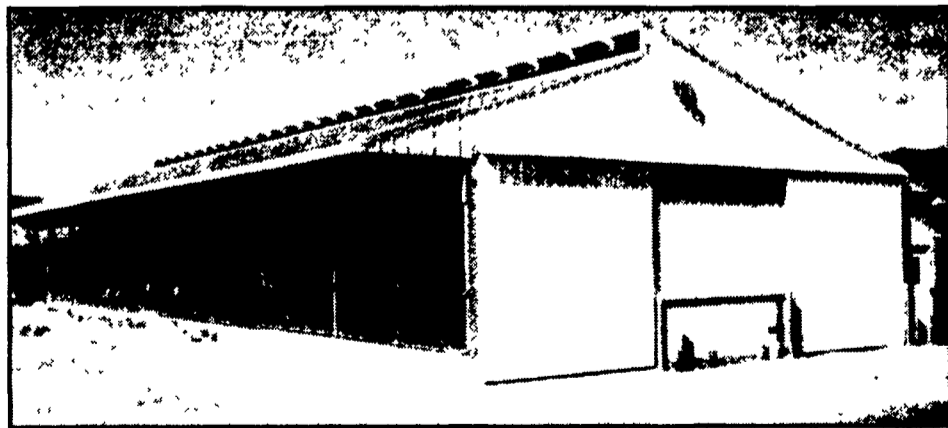


Winners in the 1995 Somerset County FFA parliamentary procedure contest are seated, from left, Bill Swift, Jonathan Smiley, Jonathan Dickey, and Matt Coleman. In back, from left, Jeremy Walters, Josh Koval, Adam Shaffer, Brian Gary, Joel Smiley, and Bruce Hartman.

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