

# PLA Youth Awards Winners Named

The Pennsylvania Livestock Association (PLA) has recognized outstanding 4-H and FFA Youth for the past 20 years.

The male FFA Youth Award recipient is Thomas Ackley, son of Mr. Michael Ackley of R.R. 3, Box 351, Westfield, PA. Thomas

is 17 years of age and is a member since 1992 of the Cowanesque FFA Chapter. Thomas' FFA projects have included swine and beef

production. He has held the offices of President and Sentinel of his chapter as well as Leadership Committee Chairman. He is presently serving a stint in the U.S. Navy and then planning to work at the home farm. Other activities he has been involved in include Varsity Football, Power Mechanics Club and the Tioga County 4-H Livestock Club. His FFA advisors are Martin Heyler and Clair Zerby.

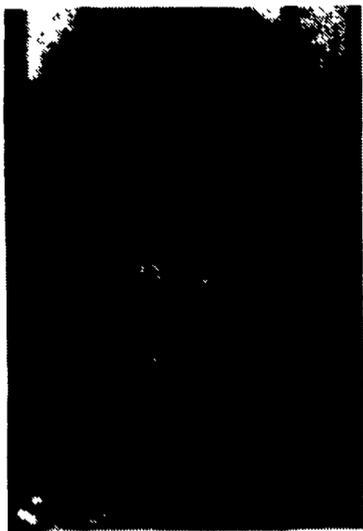
Laurie Wildman is the female recipient of the FFA Award. Jenny is 18 years old and the daughter of Mr. Edward T. Wildman of R.R. 1, Box 292, Westfield, PA. She has been an FFA member since 1991 at the Cowanesque Valley High School. She has served as the President, Vice President of the FFA. Her project has been sheep production. Laurie will be pursuing an agricultural education with the goal of becoming an agriculture teacher. While in high school, Laurie was active in the Leo Club, Student Council, Farm Power Mechanics, SADD, and various Rabbit Breeders Associations. She also served as the Potter/Tioga Maple Producers Festival Queen. Her advisors are Martin Heyler and Clair Zerby.

The male 4-H winner is Michael Kowalewski, son of Mr. & Mrs. John Kowalewski, Sr. of 807 Main St., Forest City, PA. Michael is 17 years of age and a 4-H member for nine years. His projects included swine exhibi-

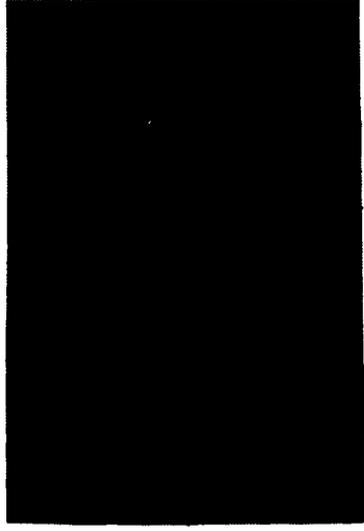
tion. He is presently serving as President of the swine club, 4-H County Council and a 4-H Ambassador. His school activities included serving as President of the National Honor Society, Senior Class President, Ski Club, Band, Stage Band, Varsity Golf Team, Letterman's Club, Junior Prom Chairperson and the Yearbook Staff. Michael will be attending Penn State University, College of Agriculture and will major in Dairy and Animal Science.

Mandy Hutcheson is the female 4-H winner. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Hutcheson, R.D. 1, Box 322E, Blairsville, PA. Mandy is 15 years old and attending Blairsville Senior High School. During her five years of involvement in 4-H, her many projects included swine, beef, goats, horse, rabbit, dog, foods, horticulture and Vet Science. Offices she has held include President, Secretary, Treasurer, Jr. President, Recording Secretary and Jr. Song Leader. Her plans for the future include a college education majoring in Veterinary Medicine, then on to a Veterinary College.

These very deserving young people will be recognized at the Keystone International Livestock Show Opening Ceremony at the Small Arena of the Farm Show Complex on Thursday, October 5, 1995 at 4:00 P.M. They will receive a plaque and a monetary award.



Laurie Wildman



Michael Kowalewski



Mandy Hutcheson

## Exposition Oct. 4-9

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Along with a huge array of livestock, the Exposition will include commercial and educational exhibits, top quality entertainment, and a tantalizing assortment of foods prepared by various Pennsylvania commodity groups.

Daily Thursday through Sunday—Being featured daily at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition are the Stockman's Trade Show, the Barnyard where young and old alike may touch, pet, and feed the animals, Educational Exhibits, Agricultural Commodity food booths, and strolling entertainers, Mo Vint, a multi-versatile harmonica player and singer. Another daily attraction is the "Animals of Distinction" Show featuring trained animals. The animals will be performing several shows each day.

Thursday, October 5—Media Day—The Keystone International Livestock Exposition officially begins at 8:00 A.M. with the Appaloosa Horse Show. The Livestock Person of the Year and Outstanding FFA and Livestock Member will also be recognized. Breeding sheep judging will begin at 8:00 A.M.

Friday, October 6—Stockman's Day—The Draft Horse Halter Show begins at 8:00 A.M. along with the breeding swine at 9:00 featuring various breeds. Wool Judging begins at 10:00 A.M. followed by Shropshire Breeding Sheep at 11:00 A.M. Simmental Cattle Futurity is featured at 12:30 P.M. Throughout the afternoon, various classes will be conducted including cattle and sheep. At 6:00 P.M. the Keystone Classic Sale will take place, which will be an all breeds sale. Sponsoring the "Challenge of the Breeds Show" at 7:00 P.M. is Glatfelter Insurance Group of York, PA. This is horsemanship at its best as six breeds: the Appaloosa, the Arabian, the Paint, Half-Arabian, Morgan, Palomino, Pinto, Percheron, Saddlebred and the Quarter Horse, go against each other in an evening of fun and mastery. The animals, two from each breed, will be chosen by their respective breed associations. In order to compete, the horses must be owned by a Pennsylvania resident. Also included will be Draft Horse Registered Mares/Stallions and 4-Horse Classes. An Admission of \$5.00 will be charged for the Challenge.

Saturday, October 7—Kid's Day—A busy day begins with the Draft Horse Halter Youth Classes at 8:00 A.M. The Intercollegiate and Junior Livestock Judging

Contest also is held at 8:00 A.M. Judging begins at 8:00 A.M. for sheep and continues throughout the morning. A special attraction at 12:00 noon is the Keystone Lead Line, an attractive combination, as sheep and shepherd are dressed in their finest. Also at 12:00 noon Lebanon Valley National Bank is sponsoring the Agri-Kids Olympics. Farm-related competitive events will be held for children. At 1:00 P.M. the Paso Fino Horse Show is featured. The Yearling Bred Ewe Sale begins at 3:00 P.M. Polled Hereford Show begins at Noon. On Saturday evening at 6:30, the Feeder Calf Sale will be held. The Heavy Hitch Classic show begins at 7:00 P.M. The breeds featured are Belgian, Clydesdale/Shire and Percheron, with their 4-6 and 8-Horse Hitch Competition. An admission fee of \$5.00 will be charged for this show.

Sunday, October 8—Family Day—At 8:00 A.M. a family sunrise church service will be held. Junior Beef Breeding Cattle judging begins at 8:00 A.M. Beginning at 8:00 A.M. is Cheviot and Oxford Breeding Sheep followed by Junior Breeding Sheep. Also beginning at 8:00 A.M. is the Junior Beef Breeding Cattle and the Quarter Horse Show. At 9:00 A.M. is the Barrows On-Foot. At 11:00 is the Jr. Steers. The Live Hog Evaluation Contest is scheduled for 12:30 P.M. A busy day at the Expo continues with lambs, sheep, and hog judging throughout the rest of the day.

Monday, October 9—As the Keystone International Livestock Exposition enters its last day, there is still a very busy schedule. The Arabian Horse Show will begin at 8:00 A.M. At 8:00 A.M. the Tunis, Oxford and Cheviot Breeding Sheep will be shown. 9:00 A.M. is a busy time slot with Angus Breeding Cattle and Open Barrows On-foot. The Keystone Stockman's Contest begins at 9:30 A.M. Simmental Breeding Cattle are shown at 12:00. The Keystone Stockman's Contest Awards Program is scheduled for 2:30 P.M.

The week-long calendar is filled with educational activities: judging contests, the Keystone Stockman Contest, sales, shows and entertainment. There's something for everyone at the Keystone International Show!

For more information please contact Beverly Gruber at the address listed below: Pennsylvania Livestock Association, Beverly Gruber, Exec. Secretary, PO Box 5, New Tripoli, PA 18066; Phone: (610) 767-5026.



Thomas Ackley

## Challenge Of The Breeds

The Friday, October 6th evening arena program at the 1995 Keystone International Livestock Exposition, October 4-9, will be the "Challenge of the Breeds." This show pits nine internationally recognized horse breeds, the Appaloosa, Arabian, the Paint, Half-Arabian, Morgan, Palomino, Pinto, Quarter Horse and Percheron, and Saddlebred, against each other in an evening of fun and mastery. A total of seventeen animals have been chosen by their respective breed associations. In order to compete, the horse must be owned by a Pennsylvania resident. The event is sponsored in part by the Glatfelter Agri-Business Insurance Center.

The six events in which each horse can be entered include:

A. Pleasure Driving - Horses

are asked to perform both ways at a walk and trot.

B. English Pleasure - In English tack, horses will perform both directions at a walk, trot and a canter.

C. Hunter Hack - In addition to performing on the rail, the horse will be asked to take two jumps.

D. Western Pleasure - In western gear, the horse will walk, jog, and lope in both directions.

E. Western Riding - The horse performs a prescribed course which demonstrates the performance of a well-mannered ranch horse.

F. Barrel Racing - A timed event in the clover-leaf pattern is performed by the horse.

The horses will be judged at each of these events on a point system by a qualified judge. The

winning horse will receive the distinction of being the Keystone Sovereign Champion and will receive an award of \$1,000. The Reserve Champion will be awarded \$500. Placings will be paid through eighth place.

This marks the sixth time that a "Challenge of the Breeds" event has been held in Pennsylvania. The Draft Horse teams will also perform in competitive classes during the evenings. Over 20 different teams are expected to be in competition.

The show will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Friday evening, October 6, at the PA Farm Show Arena, Harrisburg, PA and the admission fee for the show is \$5.00.

Why not plan to come and enjoy the 1995 Keystone International Livestock Exposition?



The 1994 Sovereign Champion was owned and shown by Susan Yohn from Grantville. This versatile Quarter Horse "Watch Me Winsome" is nine years old and will now be retired and become a brood mare.