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## Casey High Wins In Harrisburg

(See extensive coverage of KILE results throughout this issue.)

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**HARRISBURG** (Dauphin Co.) — The five-time Lancaster County 4-H market steer champion showman took another grand champion award this week at the KILE. Casey High, Lititz, showed the grand champion steer at the Keystone International Livestock exposition with a 1250 pound Angus-Maine crossbred. High is a member of the Red Rose Baby Beef Club and an eleventh grader at Warwick High School.

The reserve grand champion was shown by Jennifer Wildeson of Uniontown, Maryland. Wildeson's champion came from the middleweight classes and weighed 1140 pounds.

Kyle Penick, Hebron, Ohio, had the reserve champion heavy-weight, and Diana Covell, Clark-

burg, Maryland, had the reserve champion middleweight.

In the light weight division, Nathan Claycomb, Osterburg, had the champion and his brother Justin had the reserve champion.

Top placings are as follows:  
**LIGHTWEIGHT:** Class 1, 1. Joseph Biser; 2. Ladonna Miller; 3. Jodi Moist.

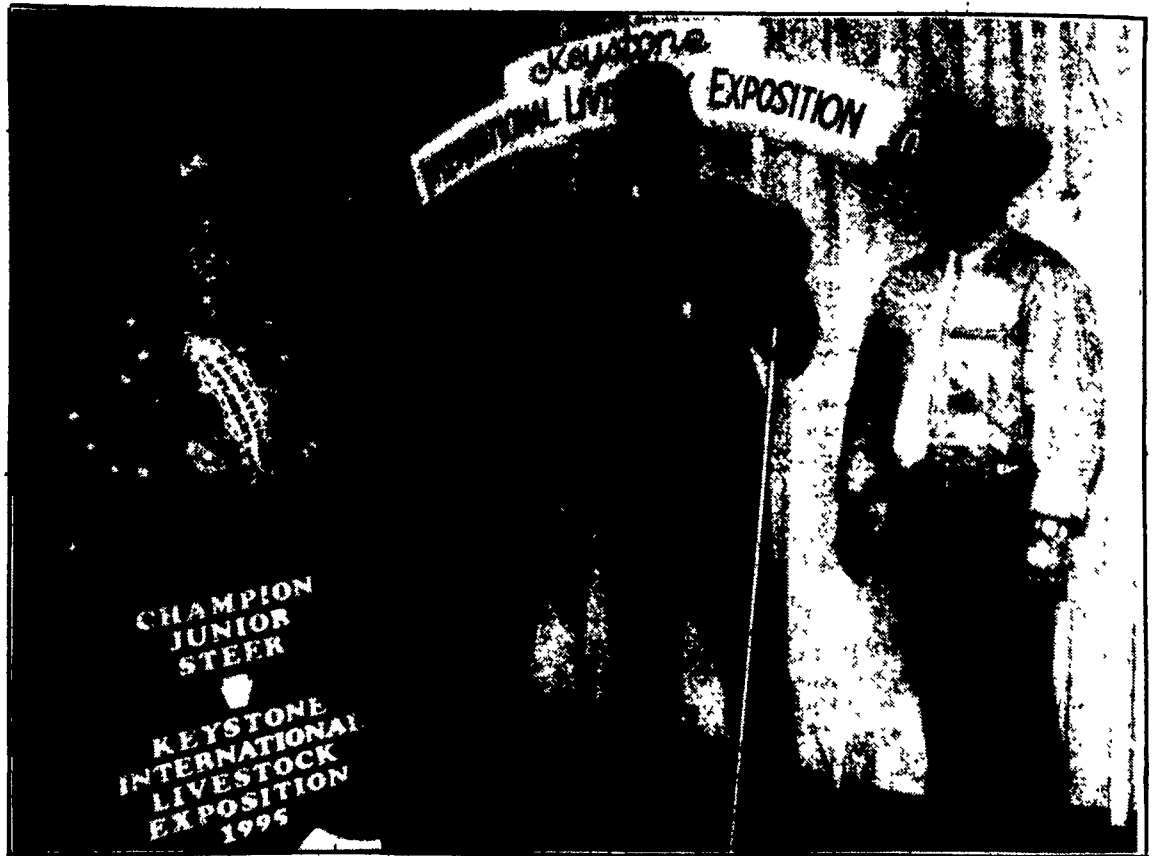
Class 2, 1. Nathan Claycomb; 2. Justin Claycomb; 3. Troy Gelsinger.

**MIDDLEWEIGHT:** Class 3, 1. Jennifer Wildeson; 2. Nathan Claycomb; 3. Jeff Covell.

Class 4, 1. Diana Covell; 2. Ashley Stine; 3. Lee Holland.

**HEAVYWEIGHT:** Class 5, 1. Casey High; 2. David Nopher; 3. David Cannbruzzi.

Class 6, 1. Kyle Penick; 2. Justin Claycomb; 3. Luke Vogel.



Roxanne Kirst, Pennsylvania Cattlewomen's Queen presents the grand champion award to Casey High. Judge for the show was Jonathan Perry, Fitzgerald, Ga.

## Turkey Industry Can Develop Program To Help Stem Foodborne Illness

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CARLISLE (Cumberland Co.)  
— "I don't think we have an option of not developing some

type of program," said Dr. David Kradel, industry coordinator of the Pa. Egg Quality Assurance Program (PEQAP), on Thursday.

Kradel spoke to about 146 tur-

cy producers and agri-industry representatives at the 1995 Pennsylvania/Virginia Turkey Day at Embers Inn in Carlisle.

Kradel spoke about the success-

ful PEQAP program for egg producers. He indicated ways in which some of the methods employed by PEQAP could be translated to a similar quality assurance program for the turkey industry.

The PEQAP program makes use of an extensive hazard analysis critical control points (HACCP) program that began in February 1994 to handle the problems of salmonella enteritidis (SE) in eggs. The PEQAP program is all voluntary for egg producers.

Salmonella is a concern for many poultry producers too as a major public health issue. As a

matter of fact, according to Kradel, the National Turkey Federation already has published a sheet listing the best management practices (BMPs) which are essential to a good quality assurance program for turkey producers.

Kradel said that while the U.S. has the safest food in the world at the lowest cost, food safety remains a major issue. There are an estimated 33 million cases of foodborne illness per year with an estimated 9,000 deaths at a cost estimated at \$9.4 billion.

But soon, SE could be overtaken by campylobacter (like SE, caused

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## Game Commission Approves Deer Permits For Farmers

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Crop farmers or those with leased hunting rights on cropland will now be able to issue permits to hunters to harvest crop-damaging antlerless deer during the off-hunting season.

Except for during the summer fawning season and Sundays, antlerless deer may be killed by

permit holders from Feb. 1 through Sept. 30.

The approval of the program by the Pennsylvania Game Commission was done without fanfare during its late September meeting. In the spring, tentative approval had been given by the commission to the program.

The basics of the program are that the owner of cropland, or the land-controlling lessee, makes an

application to the Game Commission for a deer control permit.

With a deer control permit in hand, the farmer can then issue subpermits to whomever he or she chooses, at a general issue rate of one subpermit per 10 acres of cultivated cropland.

Each subpermit is good for one antlerless deer. There is to be only one subpermit allowed per hunter.

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## Rubberneck Tour Includes 700 Vehicles



Susan Witten Conaway of Belmont, Ohio participated in the Longhorn hand-feeding segment of the 1995 Rubberneck Tour at Dickinson Cattle Company near Barnesville, Ohio. More than 700 vehicles with eager viewers enjoyed spotted, big horned Longhorns and Ohio rural hospitality.

**BARNESVILLE, Ohio**—The Belmont County drive-it yourself Rubberneck Tour was held earlier this month on a perfectly beautiful Ohio fall day with record-breaking attendance.

The tour stops included the Dickinson Cattle Company, Gay 90s Mansion, Barbara Barbie Doll Museum, Barnesville B&O Depot, Barnesville Senior Center, Olney Friends School, Rockwell Orchards, Olney Taber Farm and Pryor Auction House.

Items of interest on the tour included Texas Longhorn cattle, Jersey cattle, sheep, an apple orchard, a Christian-Quaker school, a Senior Center, the historic Barnesville Depot, a major Barbie doll collection, and an elaborate 1800s mansion.

The major attendance was measured at Dickinson Cattle Com-

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*Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles that will appear several times each month. The first installment is run as a guest editorial.*

Getting Things Started... "Learning By Example"  
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After experiencing another very enjoyable summer show season where I had the opportunity to see numerous excellent animals and some very positive sights, but also a few questionable practices at fairs throughout the commonwealth and north-eastern United States, I felt compelled to initiate this column in Lancaster Farming.

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