Cumberland Holds Farm Women Convention

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NEWVILLE (Cumberland Co.)-Mary Lehman has seen a lot of things in her long life, and those include a big change in farming.

The biggest change there, said the Newville woman, who was around to see the transition from mules and horses to tractors, is that farming itself has become more "fast paced."

Lehman herself has proven she is durable. She shared her insights with far younger women during the 56th annual convention of the Cumberland County Farm Women, which was held at the Doubling Gap Center near Newville.

Lehman was one of three 90-year-old members the county society honored during the convention. She is an active member of the society's Group 5.

The society's other two 90-year-olds, Frances Eshelman and Velma Shover, both belong to the organization's Group 11.

Other activities during the con-

vention included recognition of three of the society's 30-year-old members; Elizabeth Cummings of Group 3, Mary Gochenauer of Group 6 and Ethel Bahn of Group 12.

New officers also were elected during the event. Those who were chosen for offices will serve twoyear terms through November 1997.

Faye Stare from Group 17 was elected as the Society's president. Donna Duncan of Group 5 was elected first vice president.

Betty Wert of Group 13 was chosen to be second vice president. Group 17 member Dottie Dunkelberger was elected as the recording secretary.

Lois Weary from Group 1 was elected as corresponding secretary. Evelyn Ocker from Group 18 was chosen to be the treasurer.

Patricia Lehman, the outgoing president, reviewed the accomplishments of her just-finished two-year term in office.

Safety issues were at the top of her list of goals, she said. Accomplishments in that area included the passage by the state Legislature of a bill that makes it mandatory for young children to wear protective helmets when they are riding their bicycles, Lehman said.

She added that farm safety is getting a lot of publicity and that, hopefully, "will increase awareness of the dangers in today's farm life."

Lehman said she will continue to promote safety by representing the Pennsylvania Farm Women as a member of the American Trauma Society.

"It has been a wonderful experience and I will cherish the memories," she said of her term as the Cumberland Society's president.

Figures Show that 1995 was a year of a slight decline in membership for the Cumberland County society, which has a total of 333 members.

The county organization, which has 23 groups, gained nine new members during the year. Nine members dropped off the rolls and another seven died.

Contributions during the year totaled \$5,813.



Pat Lehman, outgoing president of the Cumberland County Farm Women, left, greets Mary Lehman during the society's convention at Doubling Gap Center near Newville. Mary Lehman is one of three 90-year-old members of the county society.

York Names **Outstanding 4-H Dairy Members**

SHREWSBURY (York Co.)-York County's three 4-H dairy clubs have wrapped up the year's activities with the announcement of their outstanding members.

Ten dairy youths were honored for their 4-H dairy participation and accomplishments during the annual York County 4-H dairy achievement program, held

November 17 at the Shrewsbury Fire Hall.

Outstanding club members from the Central 4-H Dairy Club were intermediate age winner Amy Trimmer, junior Bobbi Leiphart, and a tie for the rookie award between Cory Thompson and Terry Johnson. The rookies also received recognition as 4-H Cloverbuds, or beginning

members.

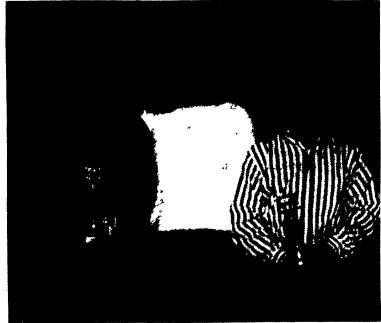
Rebecca Kilgore, intermediate winners, shared Milk and Money 4-H Dairy Club honors with junior winner Kim Pomraning and Heather McElwain, rookie winner. Trisha Marks and Suzanne Pomraning were honored as Cloverbuds.

Southwestern 4-H Dairy Club's senior winner was Dixie Doll, who also handled the program emcee for the annual recognition dinner. Intermediate winner was Michelle Walker and Jason Arnold won the junior honor. Cloverbud winner was Chad Thoman.

Dairy Roundup winners were also recognized during the awards program. Ayrishire exhibitors taking top roundup honors were Jesse Stambaugh, with the senior and grand champion and best bred and owned. Katie Shoemaker had the reserve senior and reserve grand champion, as well as junior champion. Junior champion winner was Stephanie Pomraning.

Brown Swiss roundup honors were shared by brothers Joshua and Jacob Hushon. Joshua exhibited the senior and grand champions and junior and reserve junior champions, while Jacob had the reserve senior and reserve grand champion, also named best bred and owned.

Junior and grand champion Guernsey was Bobbi Leiphart, sharing show honors with reserve junior and grand winner Terri



Named as the Southwestern York Dairy Club's outstanding winners are from left, Michelle Walker, intermediate; Dixie Doll, senior, and Jason Arnold, junior.

York 4-H Dairy Roundup was Daphne Doll's Holstein champion. Showmanship, agc group awards were shared by Cory Thompson, cloverbud, Erin Marks, junior, Amy Trimmer and Mark Lucabaugh, intermediates and Dixie Doll, senior.

Judging accomplishments by several York 4-H dairy members

Monroe Holds 4-H Achievement

STROUDSBURG (Monroe Co.) — The annual Monroe County 4-H Achievement Night was held recently at the West End Fire Hall, Brodheadsville, 4-Hers received recognition for taking part in various 4-H events and activities held during the year. 4-H members learn new skills about such things as taking care of animals, growing plants, making and saving money, preparing food, public speaking, and being a better leader or follower.

were recognized, including state achievement days participants Heather Crowl, who placed fourth high individual, and Sara Jo Greek. Susan Richardson took first place individual honors at the All-American Junior Judging Forum and was on the fourth-placing team which included Heather Crowl, Becky Kilgore, Jacob Hushon, and Raechel Kilgore.

nybrook Saddlers 4-H Horse Club; 3. Stephen Slutter Jr., Pocono Mountain Dairy 4-H Club.



Central York 4-H Dairy Club's oustanding winners are; from left, Terri Johnson and Cory Thompson, rookles, and Amy Trimmer, intermediate.



Outstanding winners for the Milk and Money Dairy Club are, from left, Heather McElwain, rookle, Rebocca Kilgore, Intermediate, and Kim Pomraning, junior.

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Daphne Doll topped the Holstein roundup with her senior and grand champion, while Brad Walker exhibited the reserve senior and grand. Junior champion exhibitor was Dixie Doll, reserve junior champion went to Jacob Hushon, and Daphne Doll showed the best bred and owned.

Jersey roundup honors were shared by Kristina McElwain, with the junior and grand champion, and Barbara Richardson, who exhibited the reserve junior and reserve grand champion.

Heather Crowl claimed all the Milking Shorthorn breed honors, with both senior and junior champion and reserve winners and best bred and owned recognition. Supreme champion for the

Members of 4-H are encouraged to keep records of all their 4-H and non 4-H activities, and they can enter those records. entitled Green Forms, for county competition. Here are the winners for Green Forms:

Senior Division (ages 13 years and up)

1. Sara Smith, R & R Rabbit 4-H Club and Kommunity Kids 4-H Club; 2. Stacey Kresge, Sun-

Junior Division (ages 8-12)

1. Derek Arnold, Collection Connection 4-H Club; 2. Elizabeth Ruzycki, Mountain Flowers 4-H Club; 3. Robert Slutter, Pocono Mountain Dairy 4-H Club.

The Robert A. Jensen Citizenship Award, given annually to honor Robert A. Jensen, a Vietnam Veteran of Monroe County who died in 1968 while serving his country, was given to Sara Smith. Sara was nominated by her 4-H leader Adele Argot, and chosen by a committee of the 4-H Program Advisory Committee. Sara received a plaque and a \$50 award.

There were special monetary awards, and ribbons for the top four 4-Hers. First place went to Jessica Kays, Neola Needles.