

Penn State Dairy Science Club To Host Judging Contest

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — The Penn State Dairy Science Club will be holding its annual Invitational Dairy Judging Contest on Saturday, March 23, at the Penn State Ag Arena Holding Barns.

Judging contest chair Dean Kohler and assistant chair Charles

Houp have invited all eligible contestants and teams to participate and compete against other teams from around the state.

There are six youth divisions in the contest: Senior 4-H, Intermediate 4-H, Junior 4-H, Senior FFA, Intermediate FFA, and Junior FFA.

Age breaks are as follows: Senior Division - born on or after 1/1/77 and before 1/1/80. Intermediate Division - born on or after 1/1/80 and before 1/1/83. Junior Division - born on or after 1/1/83 and before 1/1/88.

Contestants may sign up for a

higher division, but not for a lower division.

The contest will consist of eight Holstein classes. Heifers will be included.

Senior 4-H and Senior FFA will give two sets of oral reasons. Intermediate 4-H and Intermediate FFA contestants will give one set of oral reasons. Junior 4-H and Junior FFA will not give reasons.

The contest chairman will designate reasons classes prior to the start of the contest. To be eligible for awards, contestants must give reasons on the designated classes.

Following lunch, contestants will go to an on-campus building where senior and intermediate division contestants will give oral reasons. There will also be a workshop on notetaking and group reasons for the Junior 4-H and FFA contestants and coaches.

This year there are two new divisions — intermediate 4-H and intermediate FFA. Junior age contestants who wish to give reasons should enter in the intermediate division.

Entry fees are \$4 per contestant plus \$4 per coach attending the contest if paid in advance. This fee covers the costs of lunch and mailings and should accompany the entry form.

For late entries on the day of the contest or after the deadline, there will be a charge of \$5 per contestant and coach.

Entries are due by March 8.

Checks should be made payable to the Penn State Dairy Science Club. Requests for contest entry forms or questions concerning the contest should contact Dean Kohler at (814) 235-9297 or Dale Oliver at (814) 863-3914.

AJCA Youth Contests Deadline March 1

REYNOLDSBURG, Ohio— The deadline for entering the American Jersey Cattle Association's Jersey Youth Achievement Contest and Jersey Youth Production contest is March 1.

The achievement contest is open to youth who own one or more Registered Jerseys, who are at least nine years old but not more than 19 years old. Juniors are nominated by their state Jersey organization each year.

Any Jersey junior who has competed in previous years, has not placed first, and is still eligible agewise, may also compete again.

The top 10 winners in the contest are presented with cash awards totalling \$2,000 at the All American Banquet and Fun Fest held during the All American Jersey Show in Louisville, Ky., in November.

The National Jersey Youth Production Contest is designed to encourage juniors to maintain production records on their animals. The age limits for this contest are the same as those for the youth achievement contest.

Records submitted for this contest are adjusted to 305-day, twice-a-day milking, and for age and month of calving. The adjusted records are then ranked by using multiple component pricing formulas to figure product value.

For complete information on entering these contests, contact Sara Gaetz at the AJCA officer, 6486 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-2362, phone (614) 861-3636. All entries must be postmarked by March 1, 1996 to be considered.

National Hammer Award

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get out of Washington — create grass roots partnerships; negotiate, don't dictate."

Hawkins said that she felt really good about being part of government when Dunn read from the cards.

"The fact that he came out of Washington indicated to me the real support there is at the national level."

She said the words Dunn read, about hammering away at archaic government ineffectiveness, "are words frequently heard, but it's much nicer when they come out and deliver them personally and thank you for the job done."

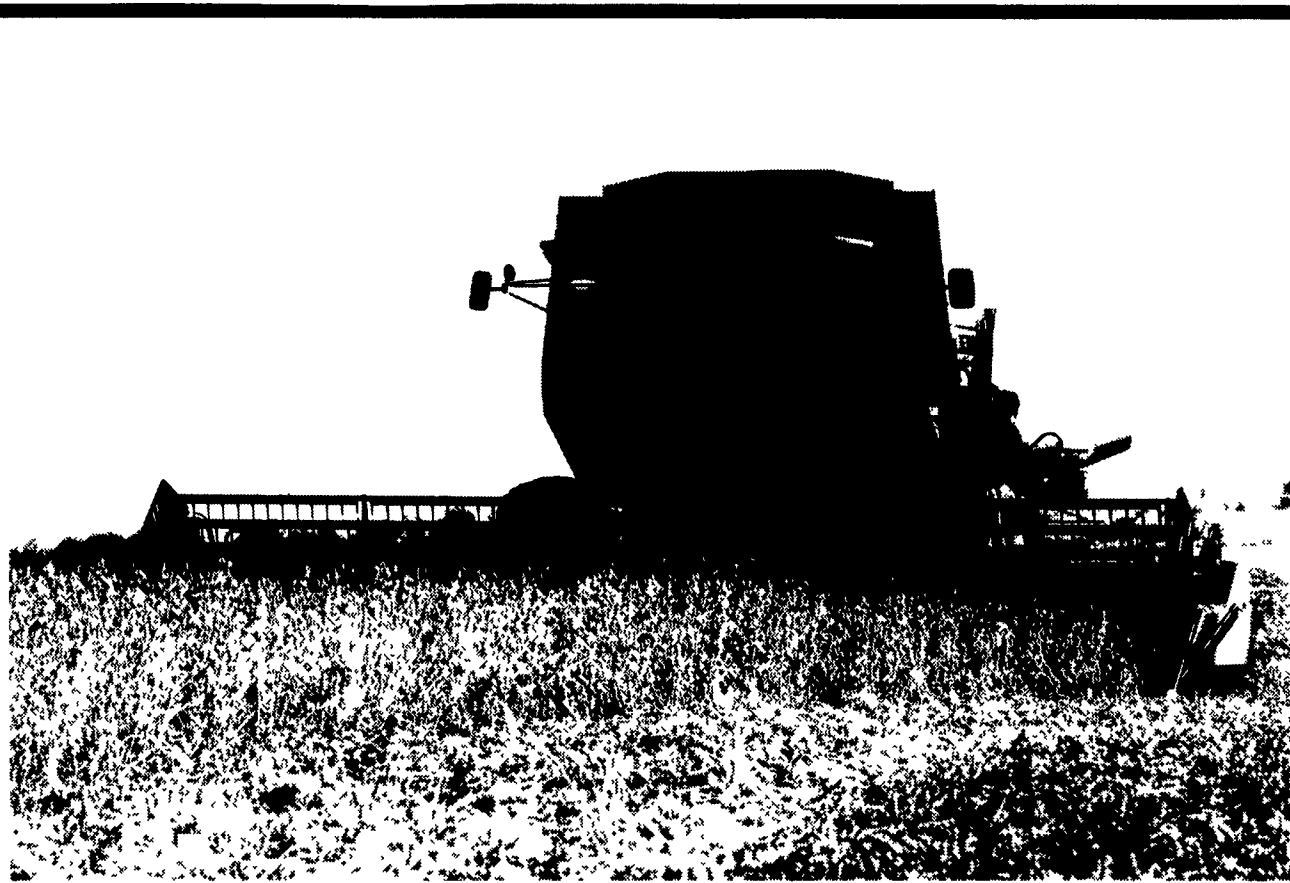
Speaking on behalf of the members of the team, Hawkins said, "They felt really good that he took time to read (about the team's achievements) and talk about several specific initiatives that we had undertaken and that were successful."

For herself, she said, "It really kind of made me feel patriotic about it. As a taxpayer, a lot of us sit around and complain, and when I was in (private) business, I was constantly complaining."

She said receiving the recognition and the go ahead and support from the government administration to be effective and deliver, "I felt like I was instrumental in doing something to help make our government more efficient and less burdensome."

"This is the beginning of what I hope will be a widely accepted way of government doing business — placing our people where people are, instead of by counties."

"Here in Pennsylvania, we hope to make an entire statewide team. On a region-wide basis, we're hoping to start field teams within three or four other states, hopefully within the next year."



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