

4-H'ers Compete At State Achievement Days

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)
 — Kevin Pfautz has long gained recognition in showing quality swine, but now Kevin has gained the distinction of being the top individual in junior livestock judging in the state.

Thirteen-year-old Kevin competed against the best in the state during the annual three-day 4-H State Achievement Days held last week at Penn State.

With his expertise in judging livestock, Kevin enabled the Lancaster Junior Livestock Judging team to capture first place in state competition as a team. Nicole Eisenhower, 16-year-old daughter of Tim and Roxanne Grube of Elizabethtown, and Jessica Schmidt, 14-year-old daughter of Pete and Laurie Schmidt of Drumore, with Pfautz made up the three-member team.

Two Lancaster 4-H members also were named to the top 10 in the Fashion Revue category at State Days. Seventeen-year-old Amy Bernard, daughter of Frank and Elizabeth Bernard of Quarryville, stitched and modeled a wool vest, jacket and pants for her award-winning project. Melissa

Holloway, 17-year-old daughter of Cliff and Joyce Holloway of Peach Bottom, fashioned a hand woven vest and a cotton linen skirt for the state honors. Fashion Revue members are judged on both their sewing project and on their modeling skills.

Placing second in state competition in hippology, which is the study of horses, were Lancaster 4-H members Laura Henssler, 17; Kelly Sullivan, 16; Carol Hollingsworth, 15, and Dana Bryson, 18.

Placing fourth in state competition was Lancaster's senior dairy judging team. Members included Elizabeth Smith, 18; Joe Best, 17; Jeremy Welk, 17, and Heather Oberholtzer, 18. Junior dairy judging included Jeremy Meck, 14, and Zach Meck, 15.

Lancaster's senior livestock judging team placed fifth. These included Dean Livingood, 16; Sarah Strickler, 17; and John Hess, 14.

Members participating in 4-H State Achievement Days must place first in county and in regional levels before advancing to the state competition. Winners from other counties will be published as soon as *Lancaster Farming* receives the results.



Lancaster County 4-H'ers who took top awards during State Achievement Days include first-place junior livestock judging team members, kneeling from left, Kevin Pfautz, Nichole Eisenhower, and Jessica Schmidt. Back row, from left, are second-place hippology winners Carol Hollingsworth, Laura Henssler, Dana Bryson, and Kelly Sullivan. Next are fashion revue winners Amy Bernard and Melissa Holloway.

Emily Metz's Court of 63 Promote Milk

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BIG VALLEY (Huntingdon Co.) — Emily Metz, Huntingdon County dairy princess, was the only contestants in this year's Huntingdon County Contest, but she is part of a court of 63.

"We have a couple of families with daughters in the dairy association in Huntingdon County," explains Emily. "And they are spearheading the effort, trying to introduce the younger girls to the contest and get more people interested."

"I'm glad," she adds. "Competition is what helps find the best girls for the job."

Emily, the daughter of Brucette and Larry Metz, lives at Big Val-

ley near Allensville on the Lake Vale Ayre Farm.

"We milk a herd of 65 Holsteins," says the pretty brunette, "And, I have seven of my own."

Emily has shown dairy cows, but the last few years has concentrated on sheep and pigs.

A senior at Huntingdon High School, she is interested in singing, varsity field hockey, is a 10-year member of the Huntingdon County Lamb Club, a member of Pork Pizazz and is part of the Huntingdon County Council.

This is her fifth year to be a part of the dairy princess program.

Emily plans to attend Penn State University or Delaware College to study Ag Communications.

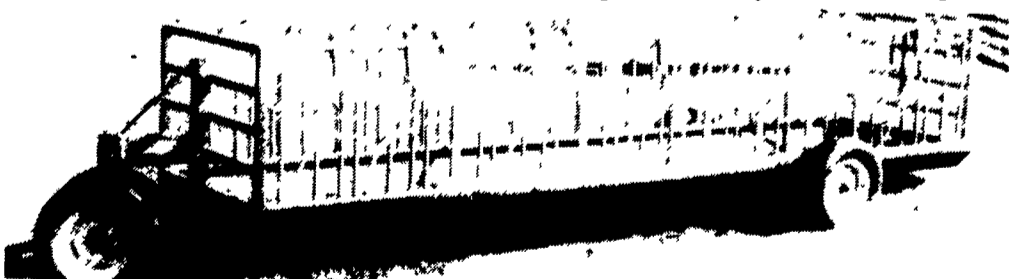


Emily Metz, Huntingdon County Dairy Princess, presents a blue ribbon to Carolyn Hile of Cambria County. Hile received a blue for her spring yearling and a showmanship award.

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