

H A P P E N I N G S

Southeast Pa. 4-H Rabbit Show

The Southeast 4-H Rabbit Show was held recently at the Berks County Ag Center in Leesport.

Approximately 30 exhibitors showed 100 rabbits and cavies. Grand champion rabbit was a Californian owned by Rachel Meas, Spinnerstown. Reserve rabbit was a Lilac Rex owned by Ryan Geschwindt, Shoemakersville.

Grand champion cavy was a Tortoise-shell and white American owned by Rachel Slotcavage, North Catasqua. She also showed the reserve grand champ with a Silver Agouti American.

Best of Breed winners were American Fuzzy Lop, Julia Krout; Champagne D'Argent, Rudy Ziegler; Dutch, James Kauffman; Dwarf Hotot, Vicki Miller; English Lop, Jay Hriez; English Spot, Allen Schaeffer; French Lop, Rachel Meas; Jersey Wooly, Jen Lawrence; Rhinelander, Vicki Miller; Netherland Dwarf, Joshua Folk; Mixed, Tara Gallagher; Holland Lop, Rachel Slotcavage; Rex, Ryan Geschwindt; Min Rex, Allison Ball; Californian, Rachel Meas; Mini Lop, Vicki Miller; Satin American Cavy, Holly Moyer; American Cavy, Rachel Slotcavage; Mixed Cavy, Anna Kettell; Abyssinian Cavy, Rosie Moyer; and Teddy Cavy, Rosie Moyer.

4-H Scholarships

Mercantile Bankshares Corporation has presented \$20,000 in scholarship awards to nine 4-H Club members for top achievements during the Maryland State Fair.

The scholarships in tribute to Mercantile's former chairman, William E. McGuirk Jr. and his wife who, with their 15 children, have been longtime supporters and participants in 4-H programs.

"This generous gift to the 4-H State Fair participants is a marvelous boost to the total program," said 4-H State Fair Coordinator Claudia Payne. "We were greatly surprised and so very pleased."

The scholarship recipients were:

- 1996 Maryland Farm Queen — Gina Rende, 16, of Caroline County
- Poultry and egg judging champion — Kelly Haines, 15, of Carroll County

- Dairy judging champion — Kristin Myers, 15, of Carroll County

- Livestock judging champion — Patrick Mullinix, 15, of Howard County

- Rabbit judging champion — Karen Barger, 16, of Howard County

- Horse judging champion — Andrea Drzewianski, 14, of Carroll County

- Horticulture judging champion — Amanda Brown, 14, of Talbot County

- Food and nutrition bowl champion — Jason Thompson, 18, of Anne Arundel County

- Consumer education champion — Amber Wilkerson, 15, of Queen Anne's County

In addition, Bernina sewing machines were presented to the 4-H fashion revue grand champion, Adrienne Wojciechowski, 17, of Montgomery County, and the Indoor Clothing Champion, Rachel Dyky, 15, of Carroll County.

4-H Gardeners Donate Produce

The 4-H families who had vegetable gardens at the Garrett-Williamson Farm at Newtown Square had a very productive season.

Recently the seven families harvested their excess produce and donated it to the Philabundance Share the Harvest program. Philabundance distributes food to a wide network of community groups and shelters that assist low-income people, according to Bud Bryan, Delaware County 4-H coordinator.

The gardening group is part of the 4-H Agricultural Club that meets at the 4-H Farm and Educational Center on the Bishop Hollow Road property of the Garrett-Williamson Foundation in Newtown Square. Debbie Murphy of Collingdale is the adult volunteer leader of the garden project. The 4-H members are Emilie and Robert Davis, Springfield; Karen Boody, Newtown Square; David and Adam Murphy, Collingdale; Julie McClelland, Colwyn; Neil Lande, Wynnewood; Jon, Jackie and Jessica Van Patton; Ridley Township; Aaron and Patrick Barrett, Upper Darby.

Members of the 4-H Agricultural Club learn more than plant and animal science. They improve



Some of the 4-H gardeners who donated vegetables to the needy are, from left rear, Julie McClelland, Colwyn; Bud Bryan, county 4-H coordinator; Karen Boody, Newtown Square; Robert Davis, Springfield; and David and Debbie Murphy, Collingdale. Front, from left, Nell Lande, Wynnewood; Emelle Davis, Springfield; and Aaron Murphy.

their communication skills, decision making abilities, working with others and leadership capabilities. Service to other people and the community are also stressed in 4-H. The garden group decided to become involved with donating vegetables to needy people through Philabundance as their community service project.

Membership in 4-H is open to

all girls and boys between the ages of 8 and 19, regardless of where they live. The programs offered are more diverse than just agriculture, including many aspects of science, home economics, nature and other hands-on educational activities. Adult volunteers supervise 4-H clubs and teachers integrate 4-H projects into their school curricula.

Hershey Museum Offers Lectures And Classes

HERSHEY (Lancaster Co.) — The Hershey Museum is showcasing a variety of educational lectures and classes.

All programs are free with museum admission and are held at the Hershey Museum, except where noted.

"POTS AND POTTERS: PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN TRADITIONAL REDWARE" Sunday, Oct. 13, 2 p.m. — Redware collector and traditional craftsman, Lester Breininger discusses the decoration, production and uses of this unique pottery. Redware artifacts from the Hershey Museum will be examined, as will some of Lester's reproduction and original work.

"WATERCOLOR TECHNIQUES" Thursday, Oct. 17, 24, 31, Nov. 7, 14, 21, Dec. 5, 12, 10 a.m. - Noon — Artist Robert

Nisley returns again to the Hershey Museum to teach this popular workshop for beginning to advanced students. A materials list is available upon registration. \$30 members. \$35 nonmembers. Class size limited.

"THE LANAPE (DELAWARE): HOW THEY LIVED AND WHERE THEY'VE GONE" Monday, Oct. 21, 1 p.m. — Dr. Marshall Becker, professor of anthropology, discusses how the Lenape Indians lived before European contact, how they interacted with the colonial settlers, and how they adapted to European influences.

"SPIRIT OF THE DAWN: THE STRUGGLE OF NATIVE AMERICAN EDUCATION" Monday, Oct. 28, 7 p.m. — In the video "Spirit of the Dawn," explore the dramatic changes in

Native American education from the boarding schools of the past, where children were beaten for speaking their language, to the more culturally sensitive classrooms of today. Then join Cathay Snyder for an informative talk and slide presentation on the Carlisle Indian school, which operated from 1879-1918.

"WHAT'S IT WORTH?! HOW OLD IS IT?!" Monday, Nov. 4, 7 p.m. — Local antiques aficionado, Ken Fegan, brings in and identifies objects that you may have at home! After his presentation, Ken will be happy to talk about objects that you bring with you.

"25 YEARS OF IMPORTANT AMERICAN CARS: 1946-1970" Tuesday, Nov. 12, 7 p.m. — Dr. Howard Applegate, Professor of

History and American Studies, will discuss the evolution and highlights of the American automobile in this slide presentation.

"CHRISTMAS PAST IN PENNSYLVANIA" Monday, Nov. 18, 1 p.m. — Get ready for the holiday season and join Ike Bomboy as he illustrates the many colorful Christmastime traditions of the Pennsylvania Germans. Learn about the food, trees, decorations and customs like Belsnickel, metzel soup and much more during this lively and informative presentation.

Call (717)534-3439 for more information on any of these programs. The Hershey Museum is a non-profit, educational and cultural institution administered by the M. S. Hershey Foundation and is located at the west end of Hersheypark Arena.

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