

# Chester 4-H Dairy Club Holds Awards Banquet

GUTHRIESVILLE (Chester Co.) — The Chester County 4-H dairy and dairy goat awards banquet was held on Nov. 13 at the East Brandywine Fire Hall.

A roast beef dinner was served to 127 4-H'ers and their families and friends. The Chester Valley Dairy Club was in charge and various 4-H members of the club conducted the meeting with Ben Hendricks, Phoenixville, serving as the emcee.

Three Chester County dairy maids, Crystal Kolb, Erica Lloyd and Julie Sollenberger, were recognized for their role in promoting the dairy industry in the county.

The awards section of the program began with Charlie Wollaston presenting the fitting and showing awards that were won by the youth at the Unionville dairy

show in October.

Walter Wurster then began the main trophy presentation with the 4-H Dairy Goat awards. Trophies were presented to the high individual project book scores in each club based on the quality and completeness of their book and their performance at the county round-up in July.

Veronica Bates, Gradyville, captured the high achievement award for the Chester County Kids Club. In the New London Club, Jessica Bohmier, New London, had the top project award.

Awards were also presented to the fitting and showing champions and the breed champions from the Chester County 4-H Dairy Goat Roundup this past summer.

The top achievement award for dairy based on the total project score was won by Tri-Community



From the left, Jessica Bohmier and Veronica Bates received Chester County 4-H dairy goat achievement awards.

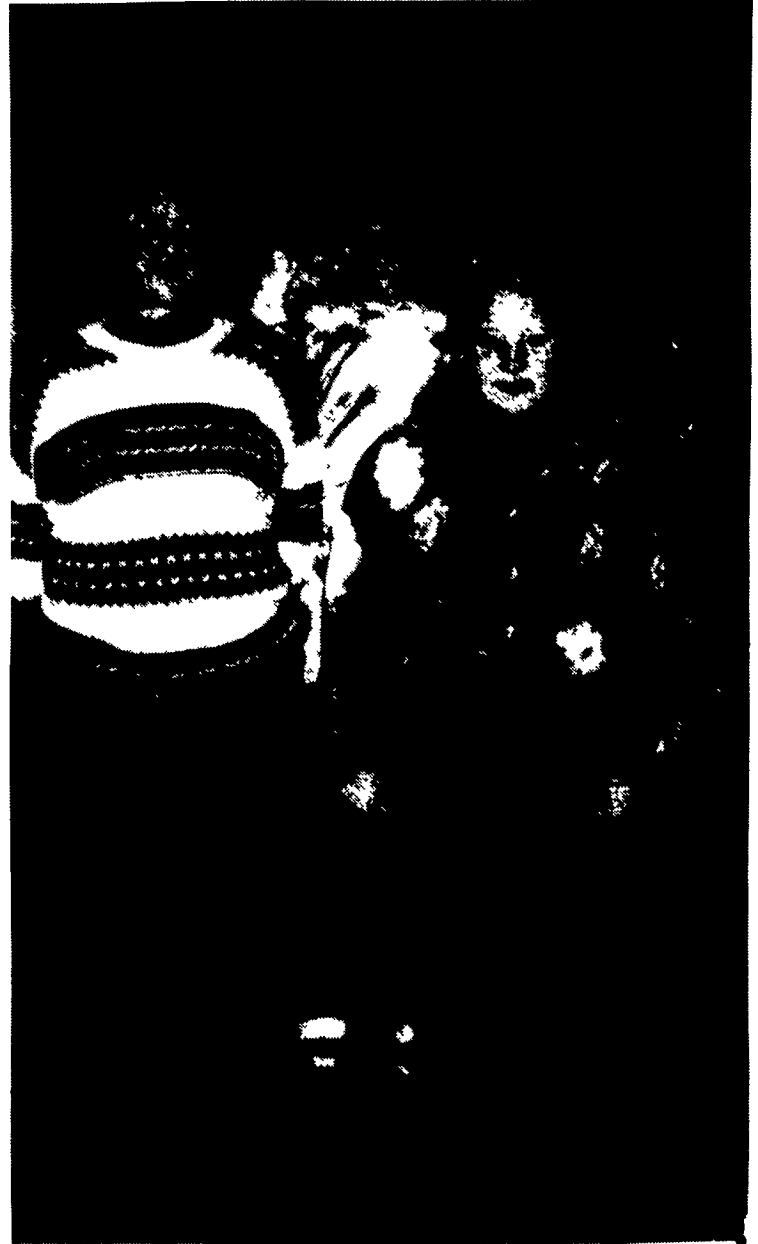
member Vicky Hewitt, Spring City, with her Holstein Senior 2-year-old project animal MS Hewitts F Paul Blizzard.

The scores for the top award were extremely close this year and the runners-up — Meredith Baily, Christy Guest, Erica Lloyd and Julie Sollenberger — were congratulated.

Other achievement award winners were Misty Gawrys, Pottstown, of the Tri-Community Dairy Club with the first year trophy. In the Manor Dairy Club, Kathryn Bates, Gradyville, was the winner with Robert Petrovich, Cochranville, taking first year honors. Meredith Baily, West Chester, captured the award in the Chester Valley Club while Leah Walton, Kennett Square, was the first year winner.

Production awards, based on mature equivalent, 305-day records, with twice per day milking, were given to the top entries in five breeds.

The Ayrshire winner for milk and protein was Exchange Miracle Freckles with 17,212 lbs. of



Members of the Chester County 4-H Dairy Club receiving Farm Credit awards are, from the left, Jodie Hewitt, Julie Sollenberger, and Jessica Bohmier.

milk and 560 lbs. of protein entered by Meredith Baily, West Chester.

Angela Barlow, Cochranville, had the high Holstein for milk and protein, Wengsdale Jake Lucy, with 26,237 lbs. of milk and 927 lbs. of protein.

Patrick Joyce, owned by Erica Lloyd, Pottstown, was the high Jersey cow for milk and protein with 22,049 lbs. of milk and 750 lbs of protein lbs.

Kevin Sollenberger, Spring City, had the high Guernsey for

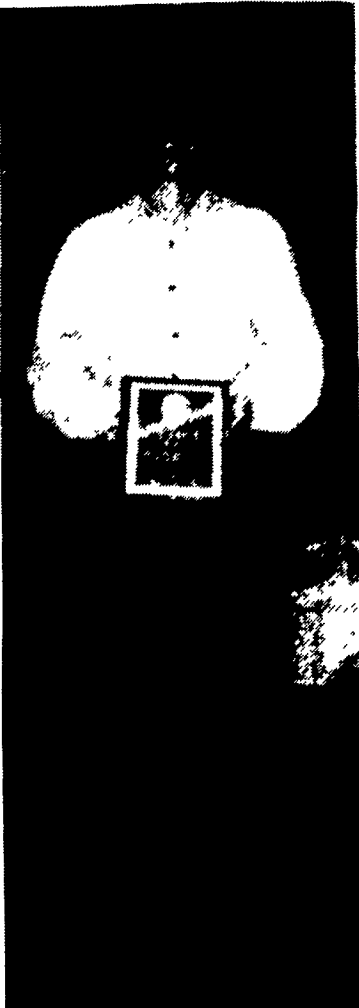
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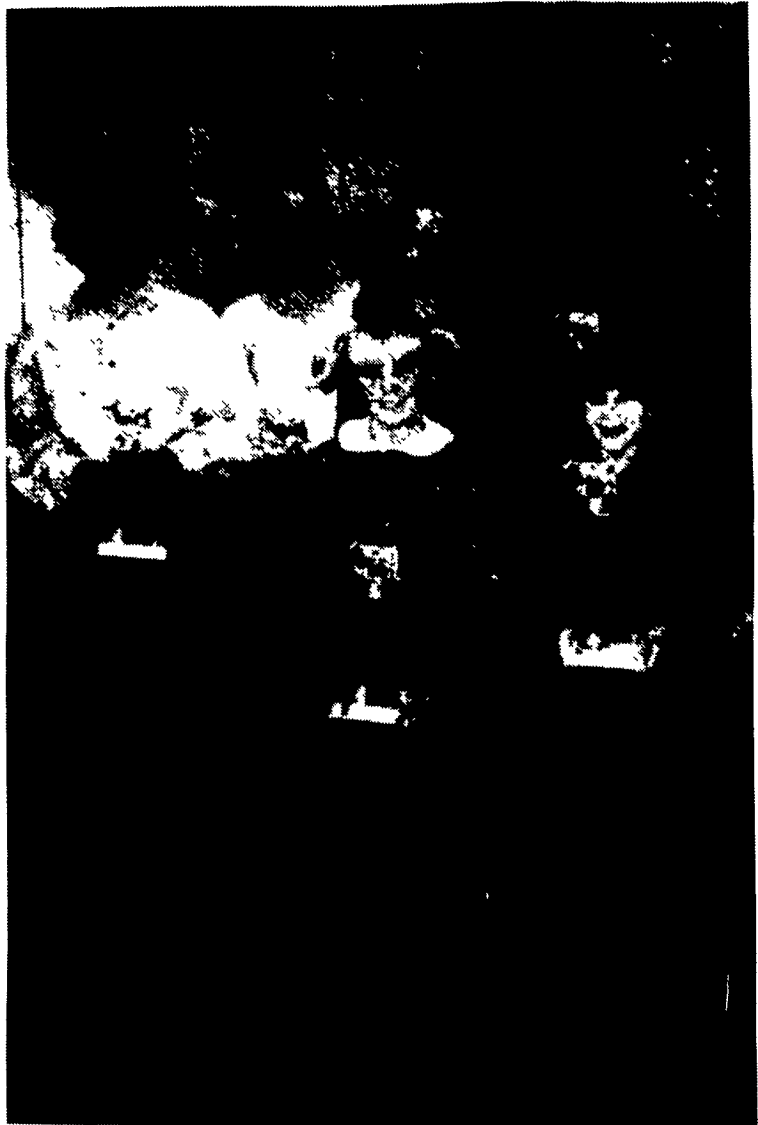
The Chester County 4-H dairy show champions receive recognition from their peers and leaders. From the left, front row, are Katie Bates, Meredith Baily, Becky Baily, Christy Guest, Becky Nolan and Angela Barlow. In the back row, from the left, is Tarik Gaffney, Ben Hendricks, Todd Mast, and Erica Lloyd.



The Chester County 4-H dairy fitting and showing awards winners are, from the left, front row, Erin Brobst, Meredith Baily, and Misti Gawrys. In the back row, from the left, is Tarik Gaffney and Robert Petrovich.



Vicky Hewitt is the recipient of the Chester County 4-H dairy top achievement award.



Receiving Chester County 4-H Dairy Club achievement awards are, from the left, front, Leah Walton and Misti Gawrys. In the back row, from the left, is Vicki Hewitt, Katie Bates, Meredith Baily, and Robert Petrovich.