

# Mifflin Holds Livestock Sale

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REEDSVILLE (Mifflin Co.) — The Mifflin County Youth Fair Livestock auction proceeds totaled \$92,837.15 this year.

But before the first animal stepped into the ring, FFA students from the Juniata-Mifflin Counties Area Vocational-Technical School offered several items for auction to help finance their trip to the National FFA convention in Kansas City. Of the items auctioned, a limited edition F-20 John Deere went for \$125 and a hand-made oak swing sold for \$150.

Later in the sale, a gallon of milk from the grand champion Holstein was sold for \$280 to benefit the fair committee.

The grand champion beef owned by Emily Vandergrift was purchased by the Belleville Livestock Market for \$3,378.50. Jada Kauffman's reserve champion steer was sold to Hoss's Steak and Sea House for \$3,120. The average price for steers was \$94.96 with the champions, \$86.60 without the champions.

Natalie Aurand's grand champion market lamb sold to Eastern Industries for \$666.75. Shane Renninger's reserve champion lamb went to Marlin Fields Real Estate for \$342.20. The average price for lambs was \$149 with the champions, \$137 without the champions.

The grand champion swine sold for \$982.80. Big Valley Feed and Grain purchased it from Vaughn Kanagy. Jada Kauffman's reserve champion swine sold to Hoss's Steak and Sea House for \$925.20.

Eastern Industries purchased Bobbie Darr's grand champion market goat for \$279.50, while the reserve champion goat owned by Becky Seitz went to Paul Brown Excavating for \$217.75.



Emily Vandergrift, right, sold her grand champion steer to Eugene Gilck of the Belleville Livestock Market for \$3,378.50.



Natalie Aurand's grand champion market lamb went to Jim Treaster, right, of Eastern Industries for \$666.75.

Heidi Shaffer's reserve champion market rabbit went to Sunnybrook Farms for \$71.25.

The grand champion rabbit owned by Beth Maben was sold to Joe Krentzman and Son for \$200.



Bobbi Darr's grand champion market goat was purchased by Jeff Moyer of Eastern Industries for \$279.50.



Vaughn Kanagy's grand champion market swine went to Ernie Young, left, of Big Valley Feed and Grain for \$982.80.

## Somerset Selects Market Champions

**GAY BROWNLEE**

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**MEYERSDALE** (Somerset Co.) — Lucas Svonavec of Rockwood had the grand champion market steer, a 1,215-pound crossbred, and grand champion swine, a 245-pound crossbred, at the Somerset County Fair.

Heidi Svonavec, 17, his sister, followed closely on her 15-year-old brother's trail with the reserve grand champion swine, a crossbred weighing 219 pounds.

Nicole Baer's crossbred, weighing 1,245 pounds, was the reserve grand champion steer and the county bred champion.

Jacob Luce had the grand champion lamb, a Suffolk crossbred that weighed 121 pounds. Reserve grand champion was taken by the 188-pound Suffolk crossbred owned by Nicole Shultz.

Following is a partial listing of winners:

### STEERS

Class 1: 1. Jake Vough; 2. Kyle Hillegass; 3. Kevin Miller.  
Class 2: 1. Jarad Hay; 2. Charles Guindon; 3. Josh Hoover.  
Class 3: 1. Deidra Hay; 2. David Livengood; 3. Kevin Spangler.  
Group Chairman: 1. Deidra Smith; 2. Jarad Hay.  
Class 4: 1. Ben Shipley; 2. Shawn Troutman; 3. Megan Schmuck.

Class 5: 1. Jon Guindon; 2. Lee Sines; 3. Katie McWilliams.

Class 6: 1. Nathan Faidley; 2. Jeremy Stair; 3. Jon Spangler.

Group Champion: 1. Megan Schmuck; 2. Jonathan Guindon.

Class 7: 1. Lucas Svonavec; 2. Jesse Brant; 3. Jessica Martio.

Class 8: 1. Nicole Baer; 2. Amy Schmuck; 3. Claude Struckoff.

Class 9: 1. Jill Brant; 2. Lucas Barron; 3. Amanda Darr.

Group Champion: 1. Luke Svonavec; 2. Nicole Baer.

Class 10: 1. William Sines; 2. Erin Livengood; 3. Travis Brant.

Class 11: 1. Heidi Gomer; 2. Laura Grimm; 3. Norman Coberly.

Group Champion: 1. William Sines; 2. Erin Livengood.

Club Calf Sale: 1. Nicole Baer; 2. Jill Brant.

Showmanship

Junior: 1. Deidra Smith; 2. Shawn Troutman; 3. Jonathan Guindon.

Senior: 1. Luke Svonavec; 2. Amy Schmuck; 3. Jesse Brant.

### SWINE

Class 1: 1. Heidi Svonavec; 2. Danielle Troutman; 3. Matthew Troutman.

Class 2: 1. Renee Korn; 2. Ryan Schmuck; 3. Ben Shipley.

Class 3: 1. Heidi Svonavec; 2. Bill Sines; 3. Aaron Shaulis.

Class 4: 1. Cole Suter; 2. Natasha Cochran; 3. Casey Croner.

Group Champion: 1. Heidi Svonavec; 2. Heidi Svonavec.

Class 5: 1. Sonja Hoover; 2. Ryan Schmuck; 3. Jennifer Hay.

Class 6: 1. Gabriel Svonavec; 2. Scott Rhoads; 3. Ryan Will.

Class 7: 1. Brock Hillegass; 2. Kami Hillegass; 3. David Enos.

Class 8: 1. Jill Brant; 2. Jessica Ohler; 3. Jeremy Sechler.

Group Champion: 1. Jill Brant; 2. Sonja Hoover.

Class 9: 1. Kami Hillegass; 2. Nicole Baer; 3. Randy Burkholder.

Class 10: 1. Luke Svonavec; 2. Craig Sanner; 3. Bonnie Sanner.

Class 11: 1. Jeremy Hay; 2. Angela Pile; 3. Courtney Hershberger.

Class 12: 1. Rebekah Fox; 2. Crystal Hershberger; 3. Jacob Whipkey.

Group Champion: 1. Luke Svonavec; 2. Kami Hillegass.

Class 13: 1. Luke Svonavec; 2. Gabe Svonavec; 3. Brock Hillegass.

Class 14: 1. Abigail Vough; 2. Jeremy Hay; 3. Nicole Baer.

Class 15: 1. Claude Struckoff; 2. Jacob Luce; 3. Cole Suter.

Class 16: 1. Jillian Ickes; 2. Amanda Darr.

Group Champion: 1. Luke Svonavec; 2. Gabe Svonavec.

Junior Showmanship: 1. Abigail Vough; 2. Shawn Troutman; 3. Julia Welmer.

Senior Showmanship: 1. Jason Knotts; 2. Crystal Hershberger; 3. Ryan Schmuck.

### LAMBS

Class 1: 1. John Sent; 2. David Livengood; 3. Nicole Baer.

Class 2: 1. Jenna Svonavec; 2. Casey Svonavec; 3. John Sent.

Class 3: 1. Andrew Walker; 2. Jessica Pletcher; 2. Ashleigh Thompson.

Class 4: 1. Alyssa Thompson; 2. Megan Korn; 3. Angela Livengood.

Group Champion: 1. Jenna Svonavec; 2. Alyssa Thompson.

Class 5: 1. Jacob Luce; 2. Breigh Svonavec; 3. Joshua King.

Class 6: 1. Timothy Albright; 2. Casey Svonavec; 3. Jason Knotts.

Class 7: 1. Lindsay Schmuck; 2. Amy Schmuck; 3. Adam DeVine.

Class 8: 1. Erika Thompson; 2. Kaleigh Hoover; 3. Jesse Brant.

Group Champion: 1. Lindsay Schmuck; 2. Jacob Luce.

Class 9: 1. Brian Smith; 2. Jill Brant; 3. Megan Schmuck.

Class 10: 1. Megan Schmuck; 2. Ashleigh Thompson; 3. Wendy Jerin.

Class 11: 1. Deidra Smith; 2. Breann Ritchey; 3. Brian Smith.

Class 12: 1. Jacob Luce; 2. Jesse Brant; 3. Andrew Walker.

Group Champion: 1. Jacob Luce; 2. Jesse Brant.

Class 13: 1. Christopher Shultz; 2. Amy Schmuck; 3. Deidra Smith.

Class 14: 1. Nicole Shultz; 2. Christopher Shultz; 3. Kaleigh Hoover.

Class 16: 1. Jenna Svonavec; 2. Carrie Saylor; 3. Amy Jerin.

Group Champion: 1. Nicole Shultz; 2. Breann Ritchey.

Home Grown Lamb: 1. Lindsay Schmuck; 2. Amy Schmuck.

Junior Showmanship: 1. Breann Ritchey; 2. Christopher Shultz; 3. Deidra Smith.

Senior Showmanship: 1. Jesse Brant; 2. Amy Schmuck; 3. Casey Svonavec.

Pair Placings: 1. Jacob Luce; 2. Breann Ritchey; 3. Brian Smith.

## University Studies Ag Industry

BELAIR, Md. — The University of Maryland's Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics is conducting a study to identify and analyze several high value agriculture enterprises suitable for Harford County.

Scheduled for completion by June 30, 1998, the study is expected to yield comprehensive data for the Harford County Office of Economic Development (OED), the Harford County Cooperative Extension Service, and agricultural community members. These groups will use the data to compare the value, cost, and potential market for such businesses in Harford County.

Funding for the study is coming from OED (\$25,000) and the university (a \$27,250 in-kind services contribution). The study, identi-

fied as the highest priority in the newly released 1997 Agricultural Economic Development Initiative, falls into the category of research, data collection, and analysis. Other sections of the initiative are regulation and legislation, marketing and education. The initiative has been developed over the past two years to enhance the economic viability of the ag industry in Harford County.

OED, along with the Harford County Agricultural Task Force, will be the primary advisers to the study team. The task force is composed of representatives from several different agricultural-related government and industry groups.

For more information about the study, contact Harford County Agricultural Coordinator C. John Sullivan, III at (410) 638-3059.