

FFA's Eastern Region VP Takes Trophy At Lampeter Beef Show

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— Busy as she is with a loaded state FFA officer schedule, Beth Frey took some time to raise a champion.

At the West Lampeter Community Fair beef show Wednesday evening, Beth, Pennsylvania eastern region vice president, won supreme with her heavyweight champion steer, "Isaac."

Beth, 18, is the daughter of Craig and Cindy Frey, Washington Boro. The Manor FFA member and 1999 Penn Manor High School graduate purchased the 1,358-pound Angus/Maine Anjou crossbred supreme champion at the 1998 Keystone International Livestock Expo feeder calf sale.

Beth said she named the steer after the Biblical Isaac. She noted that "genetics are a big thing" and said that what helped was the amount of time that went into working with the steer. That included walking it several times a week, from 20 minutes to a half hour, "whatever time I could find," Beth said.

This was her second Lampeter championship. She last won the contest in 1997.

"Flik" was a first for 4-H'er Dean Livengood.

Dean, 19, picked up his first grand champion — the final year of his 4-H showing career — with Flik, a 1,258-pound Maine Anjou/Angus crossbred steer Wednesday evening at the West Lampeter Community Fair.

Dean, son of Earl and Joyce

Livengood, Lampeter, said he obtained the steer from Tim Fitzgerald in Virginia.

Cheryl Fairbairn, livestock extension agent in Chester County, judged the show, commenting on the 4-H steer. Fairbairn said the steer was "long-bodied, handles well, and is even in finish." She liked "the width of rump" and enjoyed the steer's smooth handling.

Dean is a graduate of Faith Memorial High School. He works full time with his family's Livengood Organic Produce farm.

There were a total of 18 steers to sell and one Farm Show steer. There were 19 exhibitors.

Following is a list of show placings.

WEST LAMPETER COMMUNITY FAIR BEEF SHOW RESULTS

4-H MARKET STEERS
Medium Weight (1076-1258 lbs.): 1. Dean Livengood. 2. Kristy Garrett. 3. Jamie McMichael.

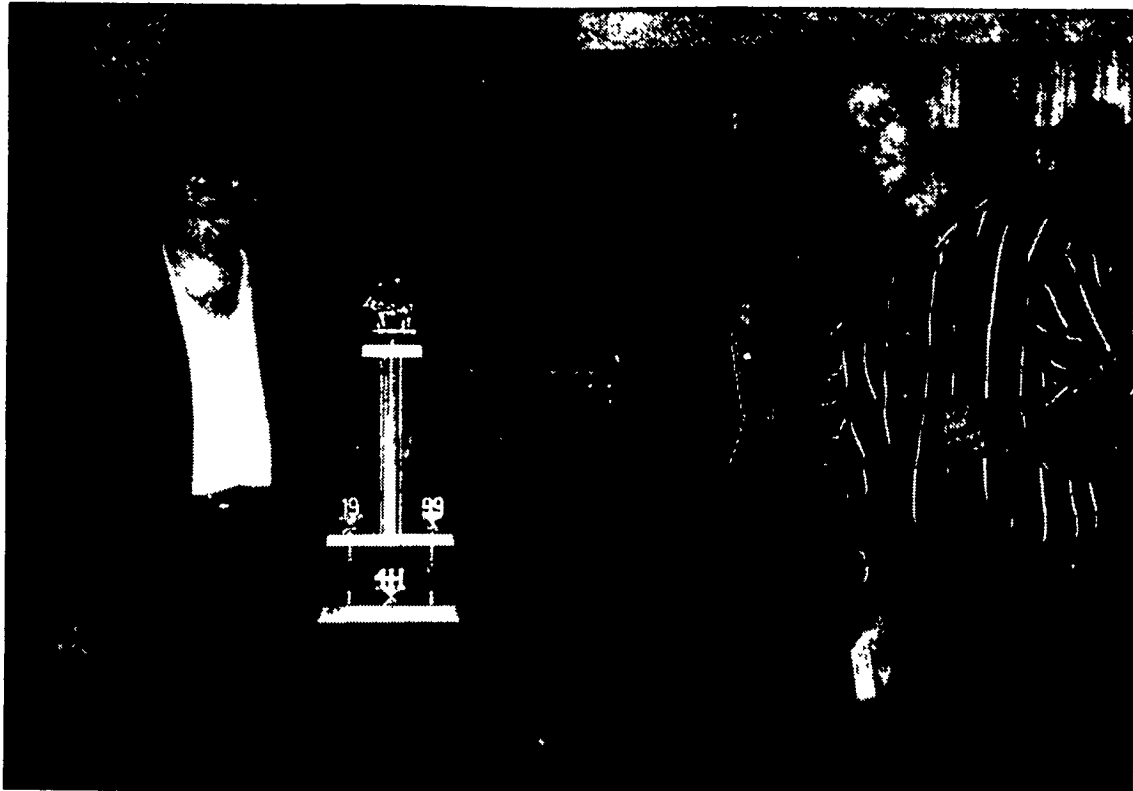
4-H CHAMPION MARKET STEER
Dean Livengood

FFA MARKET STEERS
Lightweight Class 1A (950-1190 lbs.): 1. Holly Niesley. 2. Doug Fineer. 3. Jason Martin.

Medium Weight (1212-1310 lbs.): 1. Matt Howard. 2. Robert Garrett. 3. Audrey Niesley.
Heavyweight Class 1B (1328-1360 lbs.): 1. Beth Frey. 2. Paul Myer. 3. Daniel Harnish.

FFA CHAMPION MARKET STEER
Beth Frey

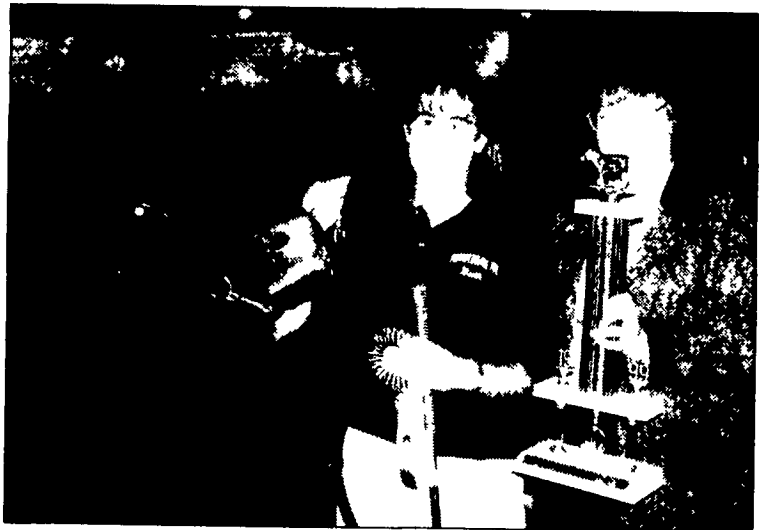
SHOWMANSHIP
Juniors (2 Years Or Less): Champion: Paul Myer.
Seniors (3 Years Or More): Champion: Dan McMichael.



4-H grand champion market steer at the West Lampeter Community Fair was awarded to Dean Livengood, right. Cheryl Fairbairn, left, judged the show.



Champion showmen at West Lampeter Community Fair were, from left, Cheryl Fairbairn, show judge; Paul Myer, junior champion; and Dan McMichael, senior champion.



Grand champion FFA market steer at Lampeter was awarded to Beth Frey, left. Cheryl Fairbairn judged the show.

Brother Partnership Captures Lampeter FFA Swine Trophy

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— A hog sired by "Tabasco" proved red hot Wednesday here at the West Lampeter Community Fair swine show, bringing in the FFA trophy for swine showman partner/brothers Andrew and Allan Herr Jr.

Andrew, 15, son of Allan and Amelia Herr, Lancaster, said he is in competition with brother Allan, 17, at the fair. But the brothers share profits of their endeavors, according to Andrew.

Andrew showed the 250-pound light heavyweight champion hog, a Duroc crossbred from Dave Holloway Genetics, Glen Rock. Tabasco sired the Duroc from a Jim Dandy sow.

This was Andrew's first grand champion at the fair. Andrew is a

freshman at Penn Manor and Manor FFA member. Allan is a senior at Penn Manor.

Judge Ron Miller, Pennsylvania Agricultural Fair Fund administrator and sheep breeder from Womelsdorf, said the light heavyweight champion was a "real thick-made pig," with excellent movement, when he picked the hog champion of its class.

The Herr brothers are "learning together," said their father, Allan. This year, according to Andrew, the partnership "is doing a lot better," picking up showman champions, most recently at the Solanco Fair.

Allan Jr. noted the partnership shows at Solanco, West Lampeter Community, and state farm shows.

In the 4-H competition, Judge Miller selected the light heavyweight hog shown by Tiffany

Dean.

Tiffany, 13, daughter of Gary and Joan Dean, Strasburg, showed a 250-pound Hampshire/York gilt to grand champion at West Lampeter Community Fair.

Tiffany nicknamed the hog "Dixie" in honor of the "Dixie Chicks" band. Tiffany said this is her first grand champion at the fair.

Tiffany, in the seventh grade at Martin Meylin Middle School, purchased the hog from Ken Winebark, Myerstown. She said that a combination of good feed and exercising the hog about three to four times a week, for about a half hour each time, were key to taking home the 4-H trophy.

Tiffany has shown hogs at the county roundup, Solanco Fair, and plans to take a hog and lamb to the state Farm Show.

There were 43 hogs and 20 exhibitors.

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FFA champion market hog Wednesday at Lampeter went to Andrew Herr, left. At right is Ron Miller, show judge.