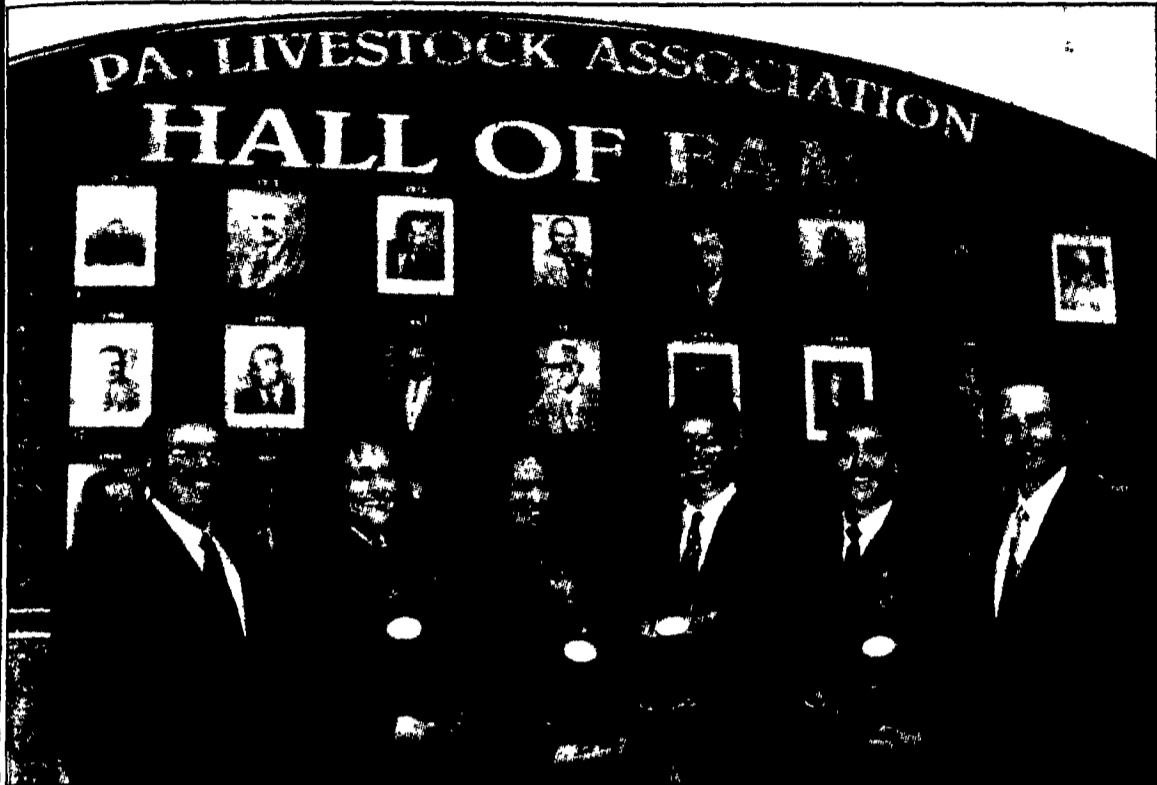


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The Pennsylvania Livestock Association recognized outstanding 4-H and FFA youth at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition. In the photo at the recognition ceremony are, from left, Mike Firestine, youth committee chair; Michele Fetterolf, outstanding FFA youth; Jessi Metz, outstanding 4-H youth; Michael Burrell, outstanding 4-H youth; Jason Blasbaugh, outstanding FFA youth; and Samuel Hayes Jr., Pennsylvania secretary of agriculture. Photo by Everett Newswanger, editor.



To promote the special *Corn Talk* section this issue, pictured are the directors and officers of the Pennsylvania Master Corn Growers Association at this year's Ag Progress Days. They include, from left, Del Volght, Richard Kreider, Chris Kimmel, Guy Wagner, Mike Kuhns, Ray Byler, Elwood Kyper, Grant Troop, Greg Roth, John Yocum, Curt Rakestraw, and Matt Antos. The section includes reflections on this year's drought emergency, fall weed control, a preview of the Corn and Soybean Conference, a message from the new corn grower president, and other items of interest to the grower. Photo by Andy Andrews

Tobacco Growers Eligible For Private Money

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 HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.)
 — As a result of a wide-ranging nationwide settlement with the country's major tobacco-processing industries, Pennsylvania growers who produced a U.S. Type 32 tobacco (which includes Maryland 609 variety) in 1998 could be eligible for compensation.
 Producers who qualify can receive a check, made payable from the National Tobacco Growers Trust, perhaps by the first of the

year, according to Russell C. Redding, Pennsylvania deputy secretary of agriculture, Marketing, Promotion, and Program Services.
 The Trust, according to information supplied by the Pennsylvania

Department of Agriculture (PDA), was created as a result of a Master Settlement Agreement (MSA) between Pennsylvania and 45 other states and the nation's

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Hats Off To Pork Month

Lancaster Farming is sponsoring a cap giveaway contest to salute our pork producers. October is National Pork Month, and all you have to do is identify the pork cuts on the hog illustrated in a two-page spread (page D26-27) this issue, fill out the form, and send it in. Entry deadline is Oct. 30. See contest rule details, and sign up soon!

Indiana FFA, University Of Georgia Win KILE Youth Judging Contests

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Indiana's FFA team took top youth honors and the University of Georgia took top collegiate honors in the 40th Intercollegiate and Junior Livestock Judging Contest at the Keystone International Livestock Exposition (KILE) here at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex.

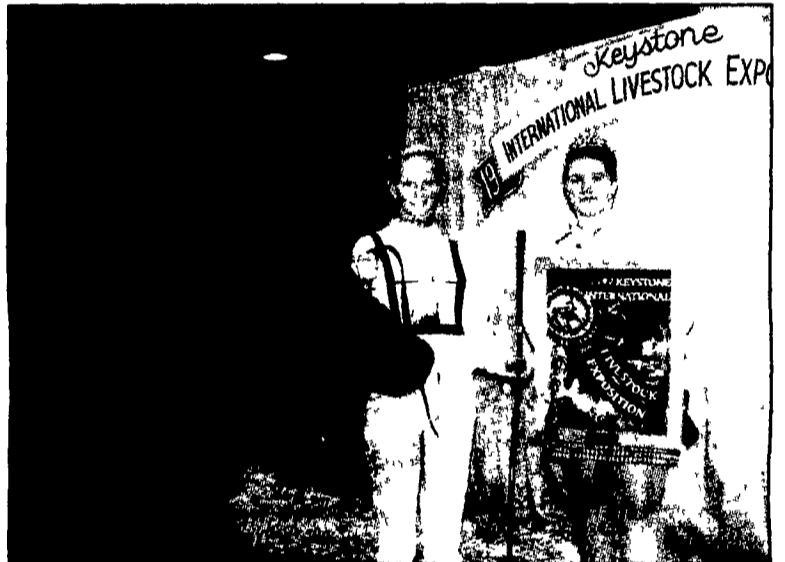
The Indiana FFA team consisted of Cara Badskey, Liza Moore, Stacie Warner, and Rita Wilkinson. The team placed first

in the swine and reasons classes and placed second in the beef and sheep classes

Moore placed first in the individual beef and reasons classes, second in the swine, and third in sheep. Warner placed first in individual swine and second in reasons. Becky Warfield of the Maryland 4-H placed first in the individual sheep class.

Moore placed first overall in total test scores for individuals with a total score of 859 points

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Gwen Dolbler from Pitman, NJ, showed the grand champion steer in the KILE All-Eastern Junior Beef Show. Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Queen Jessi Leister holds the framed KILE print. Photo by Everett Newswanger, editor.



Enthusiasm for agri-events is often passed from generation to generation. Here Bev Gruber, executive director for Pennsylvania Livestock Association, congratulates her grandson Hans Gruber when he wins the Kiddie Tractor Pull in the 3- to 4-year-old age division at Keystone International Livestock Exposition (KILE). Hans is the son of Seth and Emily Gruber, New Tripoli. Articles about KILE events are found throughout this paper. Photo by Lou Ann Good.