



From left, National Young Farmer program coordinator Jimmy Emmons consults with Lancaster County Young Farmer members Dan Heller and Deb Seibert, who helped organize the convention held in Hershey last week.

State Ag Spokespersons Compete For National Title

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Friendly Agriculture;" Dean Smith, Nebraska, on "American Farms: A Struggling Family Tradition."

As far as the judges were concerned, there were no losers. Participants did an outstanding job and showed extensive knowledge on a variety of ag issues. Winners were determined after lengthy debate.

Following the contest, the state spokespersons participated in a media blitz at Fox's Market and spoke to agriculture students at Milton Hershey School, Hershey.

The purpose of the blitz is to acquaint consumers with the importance of agriculture and to allow spokespersons opportunities to speak with the public.

Spokespersons need to be members of NYFEA and between the ages of 18-40.

The contest was conducted in Hershey last week during the 33rd National Young Farmer Educational Institute (NYFEA).

From Dec. 8-11, the institute provided numerous educational sessions and tours of farms and agribusinesses in the area.

NYF is composed of chapters at local, state, and national levels. NYF mission is to promote the personal and professional growth of all people involved in agriculture. It's purpose is to develop leaders, inspire service, strengthen communities, and enhance the success potential for American agriculture, especially beginning farmers.

The convention is conducted in a different state annually. This was the third time in 33 years that the convention was in Pennsylvania. The next convention will be in Cheyenne, Wyo. Nov. 29 - Dec. 3.

Manasse Named

At the New York State Auctioneers Convention held on Nov. 13-14, 1999 in Syracuse, N.Y., Mel Manasse of Whitney Point, N.Y. was selected as the New York State Auctioneer Association's "Auctioneer of the Year."

Manasse and family were present at the banquet with fellow auctioneers from NYSAA.

Manasse is president of Mel Manasse & Son auctioneers & Real Estate Brokers on Rt. 11, Whitney Point, N.Y.

Average Farm Feed Costs For Handy Reference

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of commodity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets or to develop livestock feed cost data, here's last week's average costs of various ingredients as compiled from regional reports across the state of Pennsylvania.

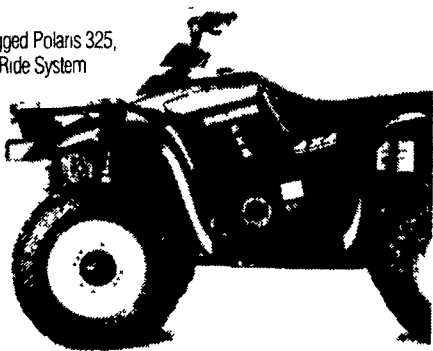
Remember, these are averages, so you will need to adjust your figures up or down according to your location and the quality of your

- crop.
- Corn, No.2y — 2.32 bu., 4.15 cwt.
- Wheat, No. 2 — 2.32 bu., 3.87 cwt.
- Barley, No. 3 — 1.60 bu., 3.42 cwt.
- Oats, No. 2 — 1.49 bu., 4.66 cwt.
- Soybeans, No. 1 — 4.37 bu., 7.29 cwt.
- Ear Corn — 71.93 ton, 3.60 cwt.
- Alfalfa Hay — 127.50 ton, 6.38 cwt.
- Mixed Hay — 133.75 ton, 6.69 cwt.
- Timothy Hay — 138.75 ton, 6.94 cwt.

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