

Yorktowne Spinners Top 2000 Sheep-To-Shawl Contest Creation Sells For \$1,050

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.)— With Kathy Schweiker, wife of Lt. Gov. Mark Schweiker, the Small Arena of the 84th Pennsylvania State Farm Show was alive Monday evening with the sounds of sheep and shears at the 2000 Sheep to Shawl Competition.

When it was over, the Yorktowne Spinners of York County had spun their way to victory, followed by the Penn-Wheels of Bucks County, and the Butler County Peddlers, taking third place for its creation.

Immediately following the contest the shawls were auctioned with the first place shawl selling for \$1,050, the second place shawl for \$375, and the third place creation for \$275. The Yorktowne Spinners donated 50 percent of the proceeds to the York County 4-H.

In finishing first, the Yorktowne Spinners captured the "Weaver's Award" for creativity of design, use of color, and skill. The Canyon Country Spinners of Tioga County took both the "Shearer's Award" and the "Spinning Award." The PA Mohair and Cashmere Growers' Association of Cumberland County took the "Fleece Award," and Penn-Wheels of Bucks County took the "Team's Choice Award," as voted by the other teams competing in the contest.

Creating a shawl is an intricate process. Each team is composed of a shearer, a weaver, and three spinners who compete to craft a quality homemade shawl from start to finish. Three judges evaluate and score the teams on the basis of shearing, spinning, design of the shawl, weaving, speed and team identification.

The shearing portion of the competition is judged for speed, lack of small nicks to the wool, lack of cuts to the sheep, uniformity, and shearing. The spinning portion is evaluated based on the individual spinning of the members and how it relates to the design of the shawl. They are also judged for fleece preparation, which may be done by all team members.

The team is then scored on the design and appearance of their finished shawl. Judges look for originality in design, difficulty of the weave, color coordination between the warp and weft, softness and drapeability and the execution of the finished fringe.

Judges look for evenness and check for errors in the completed shawl, which must measure 22 inches wide and 78 inches in length.

Finally, teams are evaluated on speed and awarded a bonus for finishing their shawl first. Speed coupled with quality is the goal of all teams. Teams are encouraged to create a theme that makes their team unique and makes it easy for the audience to recognize all of the members of one team. They are judged for originality of theme and their overall appearance.

In order to participate in this contest, the team members must be Pennsylvania residents and have competed or exhibited at two events prior to the State Farm Show.

The purpose of the Sheep to Shawl Contest is to promote public awareness of the contri-

butions made by the sheep and wool industry to Pennsylvania agriculture and to provide an opportunity for craftspeople in the state to showcase their skills. Originally established as the northeastern regional competition, the Sheep to Shawl Contest has been held annually at the Farm Show, drawing up to 5,000 spectators.

The competition is sponsored by the Pennsylvania Sheep and Wool Growers' Association and is supported by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the Pennsylvania State Farm Show Commission.

Chairperson of the competition is Karen Varner of Hershey,

Dauphin County. Don Hunter of Butler County, Betsy Dillon of Hockessin, Del., Susan Coughlin of Dauphin County, and William Leinbach of Berks County served as judges for the competition.

During the competition, members of the audience were invited to try their hand at carding, spinning, and weaving. Stu and Keri Lynn Huggens, a father-daughter duo, performed country music, tempered by folk and kicked by rock.

The following teams competed in the 2000 Pennsylvania State Farm Show Sheep to Shawl Contest:

- Penn-Wheels (Bucks County)

- Spinner: Elizabeth Barnes
- Spinner: Marlene Halstead
- Spinner: Janet Lapsley
- Weaver: Wendy Chavin
- Shearer: Royal Unziger
- Yorktowne Spinners (York County)

- Spinner: Greta Dise
- Spinner: Chris Erickson
- Spinner: Leslie Orndorff
- Weaver: Marge Erickson
- Shearer: Nathan Good
- Butler County Peddlers (Butler County)

- Spinner: Susan Dyer
- Spinner: Linda Gross
- Spinner: Marilyn Maerbach
- Weaver: Wini Labrecque
- Shearer: Dean Sherwin
- The High Whorlers (Lycoming County)

- Spinner: Phylleri Ball
- Spinner: Joy McCracken
- Spinner: Judy Read
- Weaver: Mary Ginter
- Shearer: Ralph Lovell
- Canyon Country Spinners (Tioga County)

- Spinner: Kathleen England
- Spinner: Ava Keller
- Spinner: Louise Painter
- Weaver: Carol Kahabka
- Shearer: Tom Horton
- Pennsylvania Mohair and Cashmere Growers' Association (Cumberland County)
- Spinner: Terry Kunist
- Spinner: Binnie Roig
- Spinner: Jody Sheffer
- Weaver: Barb Fessler
- Shearer: Ken Snyder

Farm Show Releases Fruit Results

FRUIT
Gabriel Helster Award 1 Franklin Co Horticultural Soc Chambersburg Franklin Co
Best Bushel of Apples 1 Dwight Mickey Chambersburg Franklin Co

Best Consumer Package, 16 to 24 lbs. 1 Hollabaugh Bros, Inc. Biglerville, Adams Co
Best Consumer Package, 8 to 12 lbs. 1 Hollabaugh Bros, Inc. Biglerville, Adams Co

Best Tray of Apples 1 Hollabaugh Bros, Inc. Biglerville, Adams Co
Best Bagged Apples 1 Dwight Mickey, Chambersburg, Franklin Co
Best Plate of 5 Apples 1 Peters1 Orchards, Gardners, Adams Co
Best Overwrap Tray of Apples 1 Dwight Mickey, Chambersburg, Franklin Co

Best Plate of 5 Pears 1 Peters1 Orchards Gardners, Adams Co
Best Tray of 20 Pears 1 Dwight Mickey, Chambersburg, Franklin Co
Best Gift Package or Gift Basket 1 Dwight Mickey, Chambersburg, Franklin Co
Apples, Best Of Show 1 Hollabaugh Bros, Inc. Biglerville, Adams Co

Farm Show Lists Tobacco Results

TOBACCO - OPEN CLASSES
Type 41, Wrapper 1 Brian Rankin 2 Adam Enteline, 3 Ryan Mellott
Type 41, Filler 1 Raymond Burkholder 2 Lois Burkholder, 3 Robert Garrett
Type 41, Binder 1 Allan Herr, Jr 2 Garrett R Neff 3 Gary R Neff
PA Grown Smoking Bottom One-Third 1 Jessica Neff 2 Garrett R Neff, 3 Robert Garrett
PA Grown Smoking Middle One-Third 1

Garrett R Neff, 2 Brian Rankin, 3 Jessica Neff
PA Grown Smoking Top One-Third 1 Garrett R Neff, 2 Jessica Neff, 3 Robert Garrett
Champion PA Grown Tobacco 1 Garrett R Neff, Millersville, Lancaster Co
Res. Champion PA Seedleaf/Broadleaf Tobacco 1 Brian Rankin Conestoga, Lancaster Co
Res. Champoin PA Smoking Tobacco 1 Garrett R Neff, Millersville, Lancaster Co

FFA Exhibit Winners Posted

FFA LANDSCAPE EXH.
FFA Landscape Exhibit 1 Milton Hershey School, 2 Littlestown High School 3 Manheim Central High School
Best Landscape Design 1 Milton Hershey School

Best Landscape Plant Materials Selection 1 Littlestown High School
Best Landscape Non-Living Materials Selection 1 Littlestown High School
Best Landscape Blueprint 1 Milton Hershey School

HAY - FIELD CURED - NO HEAT
Alfalfa First Cutting Field Dried Only 1 Andal Farms, 2 Carl Louise 3 Ken Gehringer
Alfalfa Later Cutting Field Dried Only 1 Walter Chnst 2 Brian D Fulmer 3 Robert C Oswald

Alfalfa Grass Mixed First Cutting Field Dried Only 1 Andal Farms 2 Harrop Farms 3 Gary Burgard
Alfalfa Grass Mixed Later Cutting Field Dried Only 1 Beshore Farms 2 Ed & Brian Hamish 3 Mark Pifer
Clover, Field Dried Only 1 Ed Bertovich Jr 2 Jim Henry 3 Donna Merrill
Clover, Grass Mixed Field Dried Only 1 Harrop Farms
Grass, First Cutting Field Dried Only 1 Mack Farms 2 Maple Hill Farm 3 Andal Farms
Grass, Later Cutting, Field Dried Only 1 Brian D Fulmer 2 George Heintz 3 Maple Hill Farm

Mixed, More Than 50% of Legumes, Field Dried Only 1 Snowhill Farms 2 Bill Henry 3 Daniel Mikes
Mixed, More Than 50% of Grasses, Field Dried Only 1 Jim Henry 2 Maple Hill Farm 3 Bill Henry

HAY - FIELD CURED + HEAT DRIED
Alfalfa, First Cutting 1 R M Klein Hay & Straw Farms 2 Robert Bieber
Alfalfa, Later Cutting 1 R M Klein Hay & Straw Farms 2 Robert Bieber
Alfalfa, Grass Mixed First Cutting 1 R M Klein Hay & Straw Farms
Grass, First Cutting 1 R M Klein Hay & Straw Farms
Grass, Later Cutting 1 Robert Bieber
Mixed, More Than 50% Of Legumes 1 Robert Bieber
Mixed, More Than 50% of Grasses 1 Norm Wurzbach

HAY - FIELD CURED + PRESERVATIVE
Alfalfa, Later Cutting 1 Mark Pifer 2 Nevin G Rice 3 Glenn Carper
Alfalfa, Grass Mixed Later Cut 1 Nevin G Rice 2 Greg Kennis
Grass, First Cutting 1 Snowhill Farms
Grass, Later Cutting 1 Marcus Zook
Mixed More Than 50% Legumes 1 Greg Kennis
Mixed More than 50% Grasses 1 Norm Wurzbach, 2 Greg Kennis
Hay, Grand Champion 1 Walter Chnst
Hay, Reserve Grand Champion 1 R M Klein Hay & Straw Farms

Pennsylvania Farm Show Awards

MUSHROOMS - OPEN CLASSES
Class 001A Off White-Button (0.75-1.25"): 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. South Mill Mushroom. 3. CP Yeatman & Son Inc.
Class 001B Off White-Medium (1.25"-2.25"): 1. Leone Pizzini & Son Inc. 2. CP Yeatman & Son Inc. 3. Giorgio Foods.
Class 001C Off White-Large (2.25"-2.75"): 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc. 3. South Mill Mushroom.
Class 001D Off White-Jumbo (2.75" and up): 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. Basciani Foods Inc. 3. Davidson & Pizzini.
Class 002 8 Oz. Overwrap: 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. Leone Pizzini & Son Inc. 3. CP Yeatman & Son Inc.
Class 003 10 to 12 Oz. Overwrap: 1. Buona Foods. 2. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc. 3. Giorgio Foods.

SMALL GRAINS - BARLEY
Barsoy 1 Vernon Wickard, 2 David Wickard 3 Ed Wickard
Pennbar-66 1 James Smith
Pennco 1 James Smith, 2 Vernon Wickard, 3 Ed Wickard
Wysor 1 David Wickard 2 James Smith, 3 Ed Wickard
Barley, Grand Champion 1 James Smith, Blain, Perry Co
SMALL GRAINS - MISCELLANEOUS
Soybeans, Any Variety 1 Ed Wickard, 2 David Wickard, 3 Vernon Wickard
Buckwheat, Japanese or Silverhull 1 David Wickard, 2 Ed Wickard
Rye, Any Variety 1 Howard Heckman 2 Ed Wickard, 3 Vernon Wickard
Timothy Seed 1 Vernon Wickard 2 David Wickard 3 Ed Wickard
SMALL GRAINS - OATS
Armor 1 Daniel Chnst
Hazel 2 James Smith
Ogle 1 Ed Wickard, 2 Vernon Wickard, 3 Wendy Wickard
Hercules 1 Ed Wickard
Porter 1 Ed Wickard 2 David Wickard 3

Daniel Chnst
Oats, Grand Champion 1 Ed Wickard Carlisle, Cumberland Co
SMALL GRAINS - WHEAT
Dynasty 1 Ed Wickard
Freedom 1 Vernon Wickard, 2 Ed Wickard 3 Bertram Harner
Jackson 2 James Smith
Madison 1 Ed Wickard, 2 James Smith
Pennmore 1 Howard Heckman, 2 James Smith
Wheat, Grand Champion 1 Howard Heckman, St Thomas, Franklin Co
LUHM - OPEN CLASSES
District I, Shelled Corn Hybrid Dent 1 Ed Wickard, 2 Vernon Wickard, 3 Howard Heckman
District II, Shelled Corn Hybrid Dent 1 Deron E Swartz, 2 Robert E Swartz, 3 Daniel Chnst
Statewide, 10 Ear Popcorn White 1 Art Sweinhart
Statewide, 10 Ear Popcorn Yellow 1 Art Sweinhart, 2 Pearl Sweinhart

Mushroom Results Posted

Class 004 14 Gourmet Overwrap: 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. South Mill Mushroom. 3. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc.
Class 005 16 Oz. Overwrap: 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. South Mill Mushroom. 3. Basciani Foods Inc.
Class 006 Sliced-Overwrap: 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. Country Fresh Mushroom Co. 3. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc.
Class 007A Shitake 4 Oz.: 1. Phillips Mushroom Farms Inc. 2. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc. 3. Leone Pizzini & Son Inc.
Class 007B Shitake 3 Lbs.: 1. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc. 2. Phillips Mushroom Farms Inc. 3. Oakshire Mushroom Farm Inc.
Class 007C Oyster 4 Oz.: 1. Basciani Foods Inc. 2. Leone Pizzini & Son Inc. 3. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc.
Class 007D Oyster 3 Lbs.: 1. Giorgio Foods. 2. Phillips Mushroom Farms Inc. 3. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc.
Class 007E Baby Portabello 6 or 8 Oz.: 1.

Leone Pizzini & Son Inc. 2. Basciani Foods Inc. 3. CP Yeatman & Son Inc.
Class 007F Baby Portabello 5 Lbs.: 1. Brothers Mushroom Farm. 2. Needhams Mushroom Farms. 3. Phillips Mushroom Farms Inc.
Class 007G Portabello 6 or 8 Oz. Sliced: 1. Vlastic Farms. 2. Leone Pizzini & Son Inc. 3. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc.
Class 007H Portabello Caps 6 or 8 Oz.: 1. Oakshire Mushroom Farm Inc. 2. Giorgio Foods. 3. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc.
Class 007I Portabello Caps 12 or 14 Oz.: 1. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc. 2. Basciani Foods Inc. 3. Giorgio Foods.
Class 007J: Portabello Bulk 3 or 5 Lbs.: 1. Needhams Mushroom Farms. 2. To-Jo Mushrooms Inc. 3. Menu Mate Mushroom Farms.
Class 007K Other: 1. Phillips Mushroom Farms Inc. 2. CP Yeatman & Son Inc. 3. Basciani Foods Inc.

Maine Anjou Exhibitors Continue Their Success At Farm Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — For the second consecutive year, the Maine-Anjou Association held its own open show during the Pennsylvania State Farm Show.

The grand champion and reserve champion female were exhibited by Donald Walter of Walter Cattle Company. Donald is from Airville, York County. Jamie, the grand champion, is an early spring yearling. She placed first in her age class at last year's Farm Show competition. This was the first show for the reserve

champion, Sweet Thing, a late spring yearling.

The grand champion bull of the Maine-Anjou Breed was Mid-State Woodsman. Woodsman is owned by Bob Mikesell and Mee-Cee Baker of Port Royal, Juniata County.

The Pennsylvania Maine-Anjou Association was formed in 1997. The association then petitioned officials of the Pennsylvania Farm Show to allow members to show at the 1998 Pennsylvania Farm Show. Although no show was held in 1998, members were permitted

to place four head of Maine-Anjou cattle on exhibit. Through this display, the association was able to develop a greater interest in the breed. In 1999 members were granted permission to have their own open show for the Maine-Anjou breed.

The Maine-Anjou breed is noted for its carcass traits, feed efficiency, and mild manner. The breed originated in France and was originally red and white in color. Today, purebred Maine-Anjou cattle are black and some have white markings.