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Lancaster Co. Dairy 4-H Club  
Lancaster County 4-H Dairy  
Clubs announce upcoming  
meetings.

The Northwest Lancaster  
County 4-H Dairy Club will  
hold its reorganizational meet-  
ing on Monday, March 6, at the  
Elizabethtown Area Community  
Center (the former Poplar Street  
Elementary School). The meet-  
ing will begin at 7:30 p.m.  
During the meeting, members  
will go over the Hoard's Dairy-  
man Judging Contest. For more  
information about joining the  
club, contact 4-H leaders Matt  
Espenshade (717-367-4196) or  
Joe Wivell (717-426-1501).

The Kids and Kows 4-H  
Dairy Club will hold its reorgan-  
izational meeting on Thursday,  
March 16, at the Solanco Fair  
Grounds, Hoffman Building.  
The meeting will begin at 7:30  
p.m. For more information  
about joining the club, contact 4-  
H leaders Bob Wenger (717-548-  
3116) or Gary Akers (717-786-  
4884).

The Cows R Us 4-H Dairy  
Club will hold its reorganiza-  
tional meeting on Friday, March  
24, at the home of Tom and Dale  
Smith at 1600 West Route 897 in  
Denver. The meeting will begin  
at 8 p.m. For more information  
about the club or if you are plan-  
ning to attend this meeting, con-  
tact Tom or Dale Smith at (717-  
336-0553).

The Pequea Valley 4-H Dairy  
Club will hold its reorganiza-  
tional meeting on Monday, April  
3, at the home of Dale Hershey  
at 82 Cherry Hill Road in  
Ronks. The meeting will begin  
at 7:30 p.m. For more informa-  
tion about joining the club or for  
directions, contact 4-H leaders  
Dale Hershey (717-687-0951) or  
Gordon Hoover (717-768-3500).

All of these clubs, along with  
all 4-H programs, are available  
to all youth between the ages of  
8-19. If you have additional  
questions, contact Lori Little, 4-  
H Animal Science Agent at the  
Lancaster County 4-H Office,  
717-394-6851.

Lancaster Co. Rabbit Club  
A new 4-H Club called the  
Rabbit Club was recently orga-  
nized, with the first meeting  
held on February 28 at the  
Centerville Lutheran Parish  
Hall.

The club elected new officers,  
including President Madison  
Miller, Vice President Crystal  
Lehman, Secretary Jeanette  
Bouch, Social Chairpersons  
Caleb Burkholder and Eli  
Fulton, and News Reporter  
Jeanette Bouch.

During the meeting, the club  
discussed different uses for rab-  
bits, good and bad qualities of  
rabbits, and where to purchase  
the rabbits. Members also com-  
pleted a rabbit body parts cross-  
word puzzle.

The next meeting will be held  
on March 27 at the Centerville  
Lutheran Parish Hall at 7 p.m.  
Plans are to learn the proper  
handling of a rabbit. Club leader  
Beth Miller will bring her rabbit  
for a demonstration.

Visitors and new members are  
encouraged to attend the next  
meeting. For more information,  
contact Beth Miller at (717) 776-  
6571.

#### Cumberland Co. Sheep Club

On February 17, the Conodo-  
guinet 4-H Sheep Club met for  
the first time this year at the  
Cumberland Co. Extension  
Office.

The club elected new officers  
for the year 2000. They are  
Sonya Rinker, president; Austin  
Durf, vice president; Jack Zeig-  
ler, secretary; Jeanette Bouch,  
assistant secretary; John Witter,  
treasurer; Jeanette Bouch, news  
reporter; Mark Myers and Adam  
Chronister, social chairpersons;  
and Sonya Rinker, song leader.

Meeting dates and topics for  
the year were discussed during  
the meeting. The next meeting  
will be held March 16 at the  
home of Jackie Zeigler at 7:30  
p.m. Tentative plans are to have  
a judge speaking on how to pick  
a quality animal to buy for  
round up.

Visitors and new members are  
always welcome. For more infor-  
mation, contact Ethel Myers at  
(717) 258-3850.

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Northampton Co. 4-H Club  
Northampton County 4-H  
scholarship recipients are teens  
who have been active in the  
county 4-H Program for many  
years and in many capacities.  
These scholarship awards this  
year ranged from \$300 to \$500  
each, with the amount deter-  
mined by the 4-H Board of Di-  
rectors.

Seven scholarships were  
awarded at the 1999 4-H  
Achievement Banquet last De-  
cember, during which the 4-H  
community honored its 4-H  
leaders and members for their  
hard work and dedication to 4-  
H. 1999 scholarship recipients  
are:

Rachel Slotcavage is a senior  
at Catasauqua High School.  
Rachel hopes to attend Bucknell  
University in the fall majoring  
in biology. Her career goal is to  
become a Forensic Pathologist.  
In 4-H, she was involved in  
rabbit and cavy projects and is  
the president of the Little Ras-  
cals 4-H Club. At school, Rachel  
is involved with the drama club,  
a member of SADD, National  
Honor Society, and both the Stu-  
dent and Class Councils. Rachel  
is the 1999 PA State Rabbit  
Breeders Association Cavy  
Queen and Commodity Repre-  
sentative.

Sarah Geiger is a senior at  
Northampton Area High  
School. Sarah plans to attend  
Penn State and major in animal  
science. For nine years, Sarah  
has participated in a variety of  
4-H sewing projects. Making  
these garments has won her

many awards, including a trip to  
the State Fashion Revue at Penn  
State. The other 4-H project that  
Sarah concentrates on is her  
swine project where she has  
raised the Eastern District  
Champion Market Hog. Pres-  
ently, Sarah is president of the  
Swine and Livestock 4-H Clubs.  
During the summer of 1998,  
Sarah participated in a 4-H ex-  
change program with Ireland  
and has been on the winning  
potato judging team at the PA  
Farm Show. In 1999, Sarah was  
the Northampton County dele-  
gate at the National 4-H Con-  
gress in Atlanta, GA. Sarah is  
also a member of the Blue  
Mountain Race Team.

Dana Scharantz is a senior at  
Saucon Valley High School and  
will be attending Cedar Crest  
College in the fall where she will  
major in genetic engineering. A  
member of the White Doves 4-H  
Club, Dana has completed sev-  
eral sewing projects that won  
her a place on several regional  
and state level competitions.  
Dana is a Northampton County  
4-H Ambassador and the recipi-  
ent of the "I Dare You" award.  
At school, Dana is drum major  
for the SVHS Marching Panth-  
ers, a member of the Senior  
Stars Competition Group at  
Saucon Valley Dance Conserva-  
tory, and was crowned as  
Lehigh-Northampton County's  
Junior Miss for 2000.

Bryant Hlavanty attends  
Wilson Area High School and  
plans to attend Penn State to  
major in agricultural business.  
Bryant is a 4-H Dairy Club  
member and has shown his ani-  
mals in county, regional, and  
state competitions. Bryant also  
participated in the White Doves  
4-H Club and was the treasurer  
for two years. At school, Bryant  
is in the concert and jazz bands,  
lettered twice in soccer, and is in  
the ski club, baseball club, and  
FBLA.

Rebecca Lobus attends Na-  
zareth Area Senior High School  
and hopes to attend Penn State  
to major in public relations and  
marketing with a minor in  
teaching. Rebecca has been a 4-  
H member for 10 years in five  
different 4-H clubs, including  
the horse club, teen council, goat  
club, a rabbit and cavy club, and

a leather craft club. Rebecca has  
also been a Camp Shehaqua  
counselor. She attended both  
Capital Days and 4-H State  
Days. At school, Rebecca is a  
member of the Nazareth Blue  
Eagle Marching Band, the Great  
Valley Girl Scouts Senior Cadet  
Troop, the National Honor Soci-  
ety, and the Track and Field  
Team.

Karl Bader is a graduate of  
Nazareth Area High School and  
is attending Allentown College  
of Saint Francis De Salles. He is  
a technical theatre major with a  
concentration in lighting and  
sound. He has been in 4-H for 10  
years and is a member of Back-  
trackers, Leathercrafters, and  
Teen Council 4-H clubs. His  
hobbies include working on the  
stage, and he has owns a small  
mobile DJ business.

Jamie Lyn Hower is a gradu-  
ate of Nazareth Area High  
School. She presently attends  
Millersville University where  
she received first semester  
Dean's List honors. She plans to  
major in biology and to minor in  
secondary education or forensic  
science. In 4-H, Jamie's projects  
included entomology, potato  
judging, horse, and livestock.  
Jamie has twice captured the  
coveted owner-breeder champi-  
onship at the PA Farm Show in  
Angus cattle breeding.

#### Adams Co. 4-H Beef

The Adams County 4-H Beef  
Club recently held their annual  
Buyers' Appreciation Banquet  
with 105 in attendance. The  
1999 4-H beef sale buyers were  
guests of club members, leaders,  
and their families at the York  
Springs Fire Hall.

The evening began with 4-H  
Beef Club President Chris Jeff-  
coat, Littlestown, welcoming the  
group. 4-H and American  
Pledges were led by 4-H Beef  
Club Secretary Candice Flick-  
inger, and Treasurer Missy Jeff-  
coat. Each 4-H member  
introduced their buyer(s) after  
the meal. Buyers received a 4-H  
pottery mug and color picture of  
the 4-H member, steer, and  
buyer taken at the beef sale. The  
buyers for the cake and clock  
were also honored.

Beef club members received

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## Berlin-Brothersvalley FFA Salutes Top Achievers

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The chapter demonstration  
team of Morgan Dickey, Dusten  
Weigle, and Nathan Croner re-  
ceived gold medals for a second-  
place finish in state competition.

Jared Hillegass was first in  
the One-Acre Corn Growing  
Contest with 185 bushels of  
shelled corn per acre.

The following received state  
pins for their achievements at  
Penn State FFA Activities Week  
last summer: Justin VanGilder,  
Prepared FFA Public Speaking;  
Stephanie Hartman, Junior  
Public Speaking; and David  
Bittner, State Delegate.

Chapter Scrapbook gold  
medal winners included team  
members Adam Coleman, Matt  
Webreck, David Bittner, and  
Stephanie Hartman.

Matthew Coleman, son of  
Philip and Lee Ann Coleman,  
received the American FFA  
Degree.

State FFA Degree pins were  
given to Adam Coleman, son of  
Philip and Lee Ann Coleman,  
and to Dusten Weigle, son of  
Randy and Brenda Weigle.

First-place winners in the  
County Agricultural Record  
Book Contest were Lance  
Bittner, Adam Coleman, Carl  
Metzgar, Justin Lorson, Nathan  
Croner, Morgan Dickey, Re-  
bekah Fox, David Bittner, Jacob  
Smith, Chris Harvey and  
Dusten Weigle.

Chapter FFA Degree recipi-  
ents were Matt Keefer, Jared  
Hillegass, Joe Wyant, Clinton  
Wright, Randi Seball, Jennette  
Fisher, Wam Weimer, Lacey  
Coleman, Nick Cotter, Joe  
Knotts, Shane Leydig, Josh Hil-  
legass, Kyie Hillegass, Dustin  
Bittner, Shawn Grenke, Luke  
Horning and Blake Weigle.

The following Berlin-  
Brothersvalley FFA Chapter

members also maintained honor  
roll status with their grades for  
scholarship pins and certifi-  
cates: Jacob Smith, Jim McKen-  
zie, Landon Hoppert, Bruce  
Clites, Steve Gindlesperger,  
Adam Coleman, Chris Harvey,  
Josiah Cook, Kyle Hillegass,  
Matt Webreck, Jared Hillegass,  
Dusten Weigle, Bryan Baker  
and Matt Pyle.

Also, Nathan Croner, Morgan  
Dickey, Jennette Fisher, Randi  
Serball, Stephanie Hartman,  
Lacey Coleman, Joe Knotts,  
Sam Philip, David Bittner, Nick  
Cotter, Jon Ohler and Josh  
Hillegass.

Other awards and recogni-  
tions were the Parents Recogni-  
tion given to Mayla Yoder; FFA  
Sweetheart to Mindi Country-  
man and to volleyball coaches  
Shane and Lisa Booth.

Doyle Paul is the Berlin-  
Brothersvalley FFA Chapter  
adviser.



Adam Coleman, left, has the distinctive honor of being  
the recipient of a new award "Character Counts," which  
is for trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, citizen-  
ship and fairness. Presenting the award is Wayne Hen-  
derson, superintendent of the Berlin-Brothersvalley  
School District.