

York County Outstanding 4-H Honorees Named



York County outstanding 4-H club for 2000 is the Central Dairy Club. Front is Amanda Thompson. From left, first row, Michael Saylor, Cory Thompson, Angie Beshore, Kelly Johnson; and rear, Tammy Thompson, Sue Beshore, Cindy Johnson, leaders, April Daugherty, and Roy Thompson, leader.

JOYCE BUPP
York Co. Correspondent
BAIR (York Co.) — Outstanding York County 4-H members were recognized and honored at the annual Achievement Night, held recently at the 4-H Center.

Named outstanding club of the year was the Central Dairy Club, represented at the presentations by several members and leaders of the group. Two of the club's members, Angie Beshore and Cory Thompson, also won individual honors in dairy in the senior and junior division, respectively.

York County's outstanding senior 4-H members were Tammy Wirt, Dillsburg; and Greg Daugherty, Dover; with Amy Backel, Dillsburg; and Mary Zeigler, named the outstanding juniors. Top rookie awards went to Kari Kinard, Felton; and Kyle Miller, Airville.

Individual club officer honors were awarded to Beth Baer, Glenville, as the county's outstanding treasurer; Kelly Jo Bankert, Red Lion, outstanding secretary; Katrina Gore, Airville, outstanding news reporter; and Amy Backel, Dillsburg, outstanding historian.

National 4-H Congress Delegates for 2000, the highest award achievable for club members, are Tammy Wirt, Dillsburg, and Rijelle Kraft, Manchester. The two honorees will attend the annual nationwide gathering of 4-H'ers, to be held during November in Atlanta, Georgia.

Special recognition was given to a trio of 4-H'ers who donated extensive hours of volunteer efforts in the program. Kelly Jo and Brandy Bankert, Manchester, served 128 hours each to 4-H volunteerism, and Rijelle Kraft, Manchester, for 120 hours given to 4-H volunteer leadership.

A combined 1,800 hours of volunteer time by 31 teen leaders, for an average of 58.06 hours each, was recognized with special honors.

Teen volunteers honored included: Amanda Arnold, Dillsburg; Emily, Brandy and Heather Bankert, Red Lion; Kayla Baughman, Felton; Mandy Brown, Loganville; Heather Crowl, Airville; April Daugherty, York; Greg Daugherty, Dover; Tyler Devibiss, Glenville; Tabitha and Tanya Elmerbrink, Lewisberry; Abbey Frey, Wellsville; Ethan Gallardo, Dover; Sarah Grim, East Berlin; Lane Innerst, Red Lion; Lindsay Jones, East Berlin; Lucas and Rijelle Kraft, Manchester; Sonni Mayberry, Airville; Beth and Mark Parrish, Hellam; Steph Pomraning, Delta; Rachael Price, Dover; Susan Richardson, Fawn Grove; Jay Rishel, Seven Valleys; Chris and Rachel Schreck, Spring Grove; Brian Snyder, Red Lion; Josh Spahr, Lewisberry; Cory Stump, East Berlin; Ben Unkle, Stewartstown; Joe Warner, Windsor; Jamie Welsch, East Berlin; Melissa Wherley, Dover; Tammy Wirt, Dillsburg.

Several long-time adult volunteer leaders of 4-H programs were honored during the annual awards program, with Sharon Ebaugh, Delta, topping the "longevity" list with 40 years service recognized. Other multiple-decade leaders include Darlene Wherley, Glenville, 35 years; Lois Rankin, Spring Grove, Diana Shive, Seven Valleys, and Donald Walter, Airville, 25 years each; Carmin Daryman, Anne and Jack Wagner, York, 20-year honorees.

Cited for 15-year stints of leadership were Cindy Johnson, Edward Keeney, and Margaret Runkle, York, Cindy Lou Wilson, New Freedom, and Kathy Wise, Spring Grove. Ten-year leaders are Cindy Axe, Dalls-town, Robert Livingston, Seven Valleys, Patti Myers, Linda Parrish and Rosemary Sprengle, York; and Richard Wilt Jr., Dillsburg.

Outstanding project recognition was extended to several dozen York 4-H members taking a variety of projects. Cloverbud winners from the various clubs were Kyle Kinard, Felton; Seth Wherley, Spring Grove; Emily Backel, Dillsburg; Jamie Wagner, Shrewsbury; Olivia Sharp, Dover; Bryce Beard, York Haven; Katie Livingston, Dover; and Japeth Crawford, Hanover.

Junior division members named as outstanding project award winners included the following: candlemaking, Kelly



Junior outstanding winners in York County for 2000 were Mary Zeigler, left, and Amy Backel.



Outstanding senior 4-H project winners in York County are Chris Schreck, small fruits, and Rachel Schreck, rabbit.

Shore, New Oxford; child development, Nathan Beall, Red Lion; goat, Mary Zeigler, York; health, Jessica Wagner, Shrewsbury; horse, Amy Backel, Dillsburg; lamb, Brandy Bankert, Red Lion; latch hook, Sarah Myers, Thomasville; leadership, Chandrelle Asper, New Oxford; plastercraft, Lee Bosley, Glenville; poultry, Lydia Eddinger, New Freedom; rabbit Ben Unkle, Stewartstown; rocketry, Molly Crawford, Hanover; rubber stamp, Sara Myers, Spring Grove; small fruits, Katrina Gore, Airville; soapmaking, Lyndsey Hoover, Thomasville; textile decorations, Karen Shore, New Oxford; textile science, Ken-

dra Kinard, Felton; wood science, Courtney Kinard, Felton.

In the senior division, outstanding project awards winners included: foods and nutrition, Heather Bankert, Red Lion; horse, Tanya Elmerbrink, Dillsburg; leadership, Greg Daugherty, Dover; leisure education, Beth Baer, Glenville; poultry, Kelly Jo Bankert, Red Lion; rabbit, Rachel Schreck, Spring Grove; shooting sports, Tammy Wirt, Dillsburg; small fruits, Chris Schreck, Spring Grove; swine, Rijelle Kraft, Manchester; wood-working, Kari Kinard, Felton.

York Pair To Attend National 4-H Congress

JOYCE BUPP
York Co. Correspondent
YORK (York Co.) — Tammy Wirt and Rijelle Kraft have been selected delegates from York County to the National 4-H Congress, being conducted in Atlanta, Georgia, this month.

The veteran 4-H'ers were named as 4-H Congress delegates, the highest honor achievable by members through the program, during the annual York achievement day program on Oct. 15. Their accomplishment won them special certificates of commendation from the Pennsylvania State House of Representatives, awarded by Rep. Bruce Smith (92nd Dist.).

Tammy Wirt, Dillsburg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wirt, is a member of the Boots and Saddles, County

Council, Shooting Sports, and Wellsville 4-H Drill Team. An active teen leader, Tammy has been a counselor for both day and overnight 4-H camp programs.

A senior at Northern High School, Tammy plans to pursue a degree in special education at Bloomsburg University. She is an active member of the school's Future Teachers of America Club, Life Skills classes, SADD and assists with Special Olympics programs. Tammy is a varsity basketball player and has been named an All American Scholar in both math and science.

Rijelle Kraft, Manchester, daughter of George and Mary Jo Kraft, is a member of the swine, rabbit, poultry, and senior exchange clubs. She is president of 4-H County Council and a 4-H Ambassador. Active in teen lead-

ership, she counsels for day and overnight 4-H camping programs. Rijelle represents the state's poultry industry as the Pennsylvania Poultry Ambassador.

Rijelle is a senior at York Catholic High School and will attend Virginia Technical University to study animal science, concentrating on international agriculture studies.

Varsity club, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and ALPHA Peer Helpers are among Rijelle's numerous school activities. She is also editor of the school's literary magazine and was recently named a National Merit Scholarship commende.

Individuals interested in more information on the 4-H National Congress may contact the York Cooperative Extension Service at (717) 840-7408.



Tammy Wirt, left, and Rijelle Kraft received plaques and special legislative commendations from 92nd District Representative Bruce Smith for their achievements in being named National 4-H Congress delegates from York County for 2000.