

International Composite Champion

Snyder Conservation District To Host Winter Meeting

MIDDLEBURG (Snyder Co.) — The Snyder County Conservation District will host a winter meeting Wednesday, Jan. 17, in the Kreamer Fire Hall.

The Farmer's Winter Meeting starts at 9:30 a.m. and ends at 2:30 p.m. The Fire Hall will open at 9 a.m. for refreshments.

Farmers will listen to guest speakers on a variety of topics. The conservation district is applying for pesticide course credits from the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.

Topics scheduled to be covered include nutrient management, new emerging pests, West Nile Virus, risks and myths about pesticides and cancer, animal building ventilation, and farm estate planning. Local and federal agencies will discuss how farmers can improve their operations and the environment by giving technical advice and de-

scribe current cost-share programs. A local grain buyer will speak on what farmers can do to market their grain crops.

Lunch will be provided at a nominal fee of \$3 per person. Payment will be collected at the door.

Reservations should be made by Wednesday, Jan. 3 at the Snyder County Conservation District Office by calling (570) 837-0007, ext. 5.

Speakers will include representatives of the Snyder County Conservation District, USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service and Farm Service Agency, Penn State Cooperative Extension, and Wenger's Feeds.

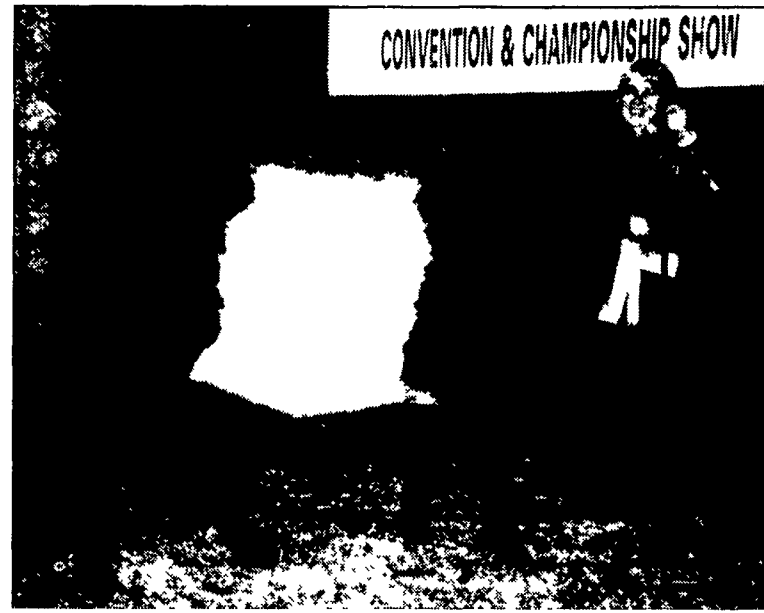
The farmer's winter meeting is open to the public. The Snyder County Conservation District and other public agencies do not endorse any business or product mentioned during the meeting.

EAST LANSING, Mich. — "Ring Of Cross" was judged grand champion of the International Championship Show at the Michigan State University Livestock Pavillion, East Lansing, Michigan. "Ring Of Cross" was exhibited by Michelle Shipe of Freeport, Ohio and owned by Dickinson Cattle Co., Inc. of Barnesville, Ohio.

"Ring Of Cross" is a registered BueLingo, a beef breed developed from genetics which originated in Holland. BueLingo are a composite of Dutch Belted, Angus and Limousin blended to be a superior performing beef breed.

In the early days of breed development Dr. Russell Danielson of North Dakota State University did all the performance testing. One appreciated quality of BueLingo is the ability of adult cows to wean calves above 50 percent of their own weight. This virtue has a two part origin due to the extra milk from Dutch Belt genetics and the medium size cow's efficiency.

BueLingo are not Belted Galloway. Both breeds have a partial origin in Dutch Belt genetics but they are quite different. BueLingo are normal size beef cattle with short slick hair and Belted Galloway are small



Michelle Shipe proudly displays "Ring Of Cross" the grand champion of the International Championship Show at Michigan State University Pavillion. Ring Of Cross is a registered BueLingo owned by Dickinson Cattle Co. Inc. of Barnesville, Ohio.

stocky cattle with extremely long shaggy hair coats.

The BueLingo Cattle Society is a young breed with over 100 members and just under 5,000 recorded cattle. A BueLingo is normally black with a full circle

white belt, but some are red, gray or gold colors.

Michelle Shipe is a senior at Buckeye Trails High School of Old Washington, Ohio and a serious member of the FFA Vocational Agriculture class.

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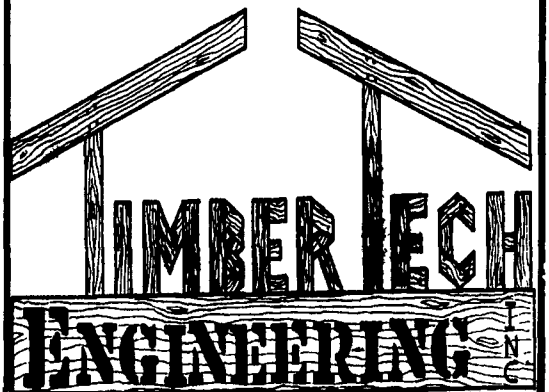


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