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West Snyder FFA Conducts Food For America Program

On Nov. 14, the West Snyder FFA Chapter presented a "Food For America" program at Beaver Adams and West Beaver elementary schools.

The purpose of the program was to educate fourth grade students about the source of food in America.

West Snyder FFA members who participated included Melissa McWilliams, Brandon Herman, Heather Hollenbach, Doug Hollenbach, Amanda Shaffer, Derek Fetterolf, and Hannah Etzler.

Amanda Shaffer, SUN Area Dairy Maid, and Melissa McWilliams spend their time explaining to the fourth grade students about how milk gets from the cow to the grocery store. Various dairy products were also discussed with the students.

Following the classroom presentation, all fourth grade made "Ice Cream In A Bag" with the FFA members.

Doug Hollenbach, Hannah Etzler, and Derek Fetterolf gave a presentation on sheep, beef, and hogs, respectively. Each of these presentations taught the elementary students the value of specific livestock as food. Heather Hollenbach gave a presentation on chickens and eggs. She showed the students various types of eggs which would be unacceptable in the egg industry. Brandon Herman explained the importance of various crops fed to livestock and how they affect the production of food for people.

Following the presentations, the elementary students played "FOODO," a bingo-style game which emphasizes the importance of food, and toured the dairy farm of Glenn and Barb Carper in McClure.



West Snyder FFA member Amanda Shaffer and FFA member Melissa McWilliams are the "Magic Cow" helped the fourth grade students at Beaver Adams Elementary School make "Ice Cream In A Bag." The dairy promotion was held in conjunction with the FFA "Food for America" program.

LMH FFA

Two Lancaster Mennonite High School FFA teams received awards at the 73rd National FFA Convention in Louisville, Ky., in October.

The agricultural mechanics team received a gold emblem award at the National FFA Agricultural Mechanics Career Development Event, placing the team fourth in the nation and giving it the highest ranking for any Pennsylvania team.

The livestock evaluation team received a silver emblem award at the National FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event.

In order to qualify for national competition, the LMH teams placed first at the FFA Convention mid-June at Pennsylvania State University's main campus.

LMH's Hans Herr Chapter agricultural mechanics team members are sophomore Alex Ranck, 15, son of James and Joan Ranck, Christiana; senior Kristopher Good, 17, son of Daniel and Sharon Good, Mountville; junior Darrel Martin, 17, son of Galen and Nancy Martin, Mount Joy; senior Kevin Nolt, 17, son of James and Ruth Ann Nolt, Mount Joy; and senior Timothy Keener, 18, son of Ronald and Fern Keener, Elizabethtown. Individually, Ranck placed third in the country and received a \$900 scholarship.

The Livestock team members are senior Jeremy Ranck, 18, son of James and Joan Ranck, Christiana; junior Nathan Hoover, 16, son of Lloyd and Elaine Hoover, Leola; junior Jason Rohrer, 17, son of Kevin and Audrey Rohrer, Manheim; and senior Paul Hostetter, 18, son of James and Mary Louise Hostetter, Holtwood.

Teacher Christopher Ochs serves as FFA adviser for the agricultural mechanics team, and Lem Metzler is adviser for the livestock team. Two additional members of the Hans Herr FFA chapter were also invited to represent the school at the national convention. They are senior Derek Redmond, 18, son of Henry and Jean



Livestock team, from left, Jason Rohrer, Paul Hostetter, Jeremy Ranck, Nathan Hoover, and adviser Lem Metzler.



Agricultural mechanics team, from left, representative of the Bridgestone/Firestone Trust Co., Darrel Martin, Kristopher Good, Timothy Keener, Kevin Nolt, and adviser Christopher Ochs.

Redmond, Mohnton; and senior Johannes Yosef, 17, son of Johannes Ghebru Yosef and Alemayu-Gebru Haimanot, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

The National FFA Agricultural Mechanics Career Development Event is designed to test knowledge and skills in agricultural mechanics. Areas of emphasis include energy systems,

environmental/natural resource systems, machinery and equipment systems, structural systems, and industry and marketing systems. The National FFA Livestock Evaluation Career Development Event tests the students' ability to select and evaluate livestock.

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