

Farm And Home Foundation Increases Scholarships

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.)
— More money to fund scholarships for students pursuing agricultural and consumer science studies is up for grabs.

Long noted for its dedication to keep the county in the forefront of agriculture, the Farm and Home Foundation has consistently provided scholarships to college freshman. Now the Foundation offers a substantial in-

crease in scholarship monies. At the Foundation's annual meeting on Tuesday evening, Dr. John Schwartz said that the board approved the annual awarding of eight four-year scholarships of \$1,600 per year.

Since the 1960's, the Foundation has awarded 390 scholarships valued at \$318,300. These were one-time scholarships given to college freshman. With the change, recipients



Newly-elected directors, from left, are J. Leroy Esbenshade, Warren Miller, Ruth Bushong, Luke Brubaker, Joyce Graybill, and Bonnie Ranck.



Officers of the Farm and Home Foundation, from left, are Linda Esbenshade, secretary; Luke Brubaker, president; Larry Weaver, vice president; and Paul Wolgemuth, treasurer.

will be able to renew the scholarships each year for four years, if they maintain at least a 3.0 grade point average and continue in the required field of study.

Applications are available at local high schools.

The Farm and Home Foundation forms the backbone for Lancaster County agriculture and extension programs. To keep things running smoothly and to ensure that Lancaster County continues to be in the forefront of farm production, the Foundation continues to update the Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Rd., Lan-

caster, and renew services.

Board members and directors are elected to oversee the Farm and Home Center, which serves as the hub for extension, 4-H, and many other agricultural and family strength groups. In addition, the use of the building is rented by social, civic, garden, and commercial organizations. The Foundation makes decisions in regards to the maintenance of the building.

Treasurer Paul Wolgemuth Jr. reported net assets of \$759,830.

Luke Brubaker, president of the organization, said that the smooth workings of the foundation are the result of many peo-

ple working together. He commended the significant contributions of J. Leroy Esbenshade, who oversees the building and maintenance committee; Shirley Wagner, who oversees the master gardeners flower and landscaping efforts; Raymond Brubaker, custodian for 30 years; and two couples who assist in keeping the building clean, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Nissley and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Witmer.

Directors elected or re-elected at the meeting include Luke Brubaker, who also serves as president; Ruth Bushong, J. Leroy Esbenshade, Guy Eshelman, Joyce Graybill, Warren Miller, and

Bonnie Ranck. They join Larry R. Weaver, vice president; Linda Esbenshade, secretary, and Paul Wolgemuth Jr., treasurer.

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Northampton 4-H Takes First In Potato Judging

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Both the A and B teams of Northampton County 4-H took first place in potato grading at the 85th Pennsylvania State Farm Show.

Joe Hiensicker of Northampton County won the individual high honors award.

In the A team competition, Adams County took second place and Lehigh County took third. In the B team division, Lehigh County took second. Ironically, both scores for the B teams from Northampton and Lehigh counties were higher than the counties' A team.

Individually, Travis Hahn and Chrissy Van Shoick of Northampton County won second and third place respectively.

The competition consists of three parts — uniform market quality, grading, and naming potato defects.