

Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association Offers Scholarship

STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.) — The Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association (PCA) has announced that a \$1,000 scholarship will be available to a young person planning a career related to the cattle industry. Funding for this scholarship is provided through PCA's previous participation in the IVOMECE: GENERATIONS OF EXCELLENCE program.

"Nothing is more important than providing a sound education for tomorrow's producers," according to Terry L. Shearer, president of PCA. "Those planning to work in the changing cattle industry into the next century will need to be proficient in animal and crop sciences, business economics, and communications. That's why PCA is providing a \$1,000 IVOMECE Scholarship to help a deserving young cattleman or cattlegirl prepare for the future."

The MERIAL IVOMECE/PCA Scholarship will be awarded based on the applicant's interest in the industry, leadership, academic achievement, and organizational involvement. Interested youth should request application forms directly from the PCA office. Completed applications must be postmarked on or before March 1, 2002.

"We are pleased to team up with MERIAL to offer this very special scholarship opportunity to a young person in Pennsylvania," says Shearer. "There's no

question that education, along with practical experience, is the key to the future competitiveness of the U.S. agricultural industry."

More Scholarships

The Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association has announced it will present two additional scholarships this year to young persons who are planning a career in the cattle industry.

Pfizer Animal Health Company, Inc. provides funding for one of the \$500 scholarships in connection with Pfizer's Dectomax Extra Education Dollars ("DEED") program.

The Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association provides the second \$500 scholarship from the PCA general fund.

The applicants must meet the following criteria: be a high school senior or currently enrolled in a two- or four-year college; demonstrate interest in the beef, dairy, and/or veal industries; express assurance in furthering education in college, vocational school, etc.; and possess leadership skills and show intentions of eventually representing the beef, dairy, and/or veal industries in some form.

Those interested in applying for the Pfizer DEED scholarship and the PCA scholarship need only fill out one form to apply for both scholarships. However, only members of Pennsylvania Junior Cattlemen's Association or applicants whose parents are members of PCA are eligible for the PCA scholarship.

Newlin Family

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Show will be different. Last year the Newlins enjoyed taking a cooler and sometimes going out for fast food.

This year they also plan on making some adjustments in the show ring. "I had trouble keeping my cow's head up," said Danielle.

Kyle vows to work harder to qualify for the showmanship class. At the Farm Show, a judge picks which exhibitors come back into the ring for the showmanship classes. Last year Danielle was able to compete in showmanship.

"The best thing to take to the Farm Show is walkie-talkies," advised Danielle. "The beef barn is far from the ring."

The family coordinates show schedules, which may or may not be on time, with bringing the animal from the barn.

The Farm Show offers plenty of entertainment, said Danielle. "You can't get bored because there's lots you can go to."

"There is lots more competition going on, like the exhibits, rabbits, or other livestock," said Kyle.

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Winners will be awarded scholarships at the annual Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association Banquet on Thursday, March 28, 2002, before the Pa. Beef Expo in State College.

To obtain scholarship applications or for more information, contact the Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association, 862 Webster Drive, State College, PA 16801; phone/fax: (814) 238-5888; Website: www.pacattle.org or e-mail at llw@psu.edu.



Danielle gives loving attention to the farm's Hereford cows.

Ag Secretary Announces First Appearance Of 'Wood-Mobile'

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Agriculture Secretary Sam Hayes encouraged visitors to the 2002 Pennsylvania Farm Show to check out the new Pennsylvania "Wood-mobile."

A first-ever project of its kind in the state, the Wood-mobile is designed to educate the public — especially children — about Pennsylvania's forests and forest-products industry. The award-winning Farm Show, the largest indoor agricultural event in the nation, will run from Saturday, Jan. 5, to Thursday, Jan.

10, at the state Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

"If children can't go to the woods, then we'll bring the woods to the children," Hayes said. "Pennsylvania's forests not only provide our commonwealth with tremendous beauty, but also one of the most successful forest-products industries in the nation."

The Wood-mobile includes a 34-foot trailer housing an exhibit that provides information on Pennsylvania's forest resources and forest-products industry.

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