

Cumberland County Extension Conducts Annual Meeting

CARLISLE (Cumberland Co.) — The Cumberland County Cooperative Extension Association conducted their annual meeting recently at the Penn Township Firehall, Huntsdale. Brandon Weary, president, expressed the appreciation of the association to the retiring directors — Richard Mains Jr. and Di-

Storer, York Springs; and Sue Stottman, Mechanicsburg. Betty Zeigler, Carlisle and Sarah Nealy, Newville, received the 2002 Raudabaugh Memorial Award provided by the association for their outstanding leadership and service to the county. Betty Zeigler who operated with her sons a dairy farm in

Nealy is an active member of the Cumberland County Society of Farm Women, Group #22. She has served as both treasurer and corresponding secretary of the county-wide group. She chairs the Cumberland County Farm Bureau Women's Committee and has done so for 13 years.

Kent and Raylene Strock were named as Volunteers of the Year for 2001 by the Extension Association. They have done it all, 4-H member, International Foreign Youth Exchange (IFYE), 4-H parents, 4-H leader, coach, instructor and Extension board member.

The Strocks, a fourth generation Extension family, continue to provide leadership and support for our youth and adult Extension programs.

During the business meeting, Brandon Weary, Carlisle, was re-elected president; Kent Strock, Mechanicsburg, was re-elected vice president; and Debra Yorlets, Carlisle, was re-elected secretary.

Extension highlights included Mary Strasbaugh, Mechanicsburg, member of the Cumberland County 4-H Horse Club who present "Youth Development in the 21st Century."

Aaron Cornman, Boiling Springs, member of the Cumberland County 4-H Dairy Club, shared his 4-H experiences at National 4-H Club Congress, Atlanta, Ga. and the National 4-H Dairy Conference, Madison, Wisconsin with the group.

Staff members Annette McCoy, Roland Freund and Tom McCarty reported on Garden Composting Activities, Personal Planning, and the Future of Cumberland County Agriculture, respectively.



4-H program presenters at Cumberland County Extension annual meeting. From left, Aaron Cornman, 4-H dairy club; Earl Keller, county commissioner; and Mary Strasbaugh, 4-H horse club.



Cumberland County 4-H placed first at the Farm Show, from left, Betsy Walton, 4-H dairy leader; team members, Michael Woods, Michelle Thomas, and Susan Thomas.

anne Conaway, Newville; Eugene Heyman Jr., Boiling Spring; David Lehman, Carlisle; and Rosemarie Peiffer, New Cumberland.

President Weary welcomed the newly elected directors to the board — James Paulus and Todd Rabert, Mechanicsburg; and Mary Kutz and David Ward, Newville.

Dennis Derr and Annette McCoy presented the highlights of the Cumberland County Master Gardener program and recognized the Master Gardener class of 2000 that completed the course work and have provided 50 hours of volunteer service. The following were present and recognized: Bill Boyer, Camp Hill; Alice Hertzler, Dillsburg; Laurie

Monroe Township until just recently, was recognized for her leadership and service to the dairy industry and her involvement with the "Cow to School Program" and our Ag Science Day Camp. She is an active member of the Hickorytown United Methodist Church and Cumberland County Society of Farm Women, Group #9.

Sarah Nealy farms with her husband Oscar and sons and their families. This past year their dairy herd of 271 dairy cows produced an average of 25,829 pounds of milk. Sarah has been a key member for the planning group for the Farm and Home Safety Day Camp since it first started. This past year over 120 youth learned more about farm safety.



From left, Brandon Weary, president of Cumberland County Extension Association; Kent and Raylene Strock, Volunteers of the Year 2001.

4-H Babysitting Course For Teens

COLLEGEVILLE (Montgomery Co.) — The 4-H babysitting course will be offered at four different locations in Montgomery County this spring. Call the number that follows each listing to register.

1. Montgomery County 4-H Center located on Route 113, one mile south of Route 73 near Skippack: five Thursdays, April 11 through May 9; 6:30-8:30 p.m. (610-489-4315).

2. Pottstown Middle School, Franklin and East Streets: five Mondays, April 8 through May 13, skipping 4/29; 6-8 p.m. (610-970-6608).

3. Glenside Free Library, S. Keswick Avenue: five Tuesdays, April 16 through May 14; 6:30-8:30 p.m. (215-885-0455).

4. Hatboro Baptist Church, 32 N. York Road, five Wednesdays, April 10 through May 8; 6:30-8:30 p.m. (610) 489-4315.

There is a \$15 fee for the Babysitting Course, payable at the first session. Partial scholarships are always available with no questions asked.

Class size is limited for maximum educational value and you must be at least 11-years-old before the course

begins to participate. For any additional information, call Helaine Brown, 4-H agent, at (610) 489-4315, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.



Cumberland County Extension Raudabaugh Memorial Award presentation. From left, Brandon Weary, Extension Association president; Sarah Nealy, Newville; and Betty Ziegler, Carlisle.



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Dairy Princess Court Candidate Search is On

The committee is seeking young women between the ages of 16 and 24 to serve as the York County Dairy Princess for the 2002-2003 year. All applicants may either live or work on a dairy farm, own 2 dairy animals, or be related to someone in the dairy industry and must have a sincere interest in promoting the dairy industry. Anyone who is of dairy princess age but feels that they cannot be the dairy princess may serve as a Dairy Ambassador on the court.

- Girls between the ages of 13-15 may serve on the court as dairy maids
- Dairy Miss and Little Dairy Miss contestants must be between the ages of 5 and 12
- Dairy Princess and Dairy Ambassador contestants are required to give a speech and present a skit at the coronation
- Dairy Maids are required to prepare and present an informational poster
- Dairy Miss & Little Dairy Miss contestants must prepare and present an original poem
- Being on the York County Dairy Princess Court provides an opportunity for tremendous personal growth and a chance to meet many new people
- All contestants must be present at the coronation to be held on June 8 to receive a sash and crown. An informational tea will be held on April 14 at the home of the current dairy princess, Michelle Walker, for anyone interested in being on the court

For more information and details contact

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