

Largest Offering Of Youth Activities Can Be Found At All-American Dairy Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The largest offering of youth activities, shows, and contests at any dairy show will be seen at the 2002 All-American Dairy Show scheduled for Sept. 22-26. The events will take place at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

The 2002 All-American Youth Showmanship Contest will open on Sunday, Sept. 22. Registration will be from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in the Large Arena. It is open to any youth who meet the following age requirements: Junior 8-11, Intermediate: 12-15, and Senior: 16-21. Age of individual will be as of show day. Animal to be shown does not have to be owned by contestant. All senior contestants will participate in showmanship and the top 10 individuals will then continue to the fitting portion to determine the champion. For more information, contact Kathy Walton at (717) 243-8750 or the All-American Dairy Show office.

A unique opportunity for youth attending the All-American Dairy Show is the White Show Pants Exchange. Youth are encouraged to donate their old white

pants no longer needed and/or find a new pair. This opportunity is designed to encourage youth exhibitors to maintain proper dress in the show ring. The exchange will be conducted in the Northwest Barn. For more information contact Patty McMurray at (724) 239-2759 or the All-American Dairy Show office.

The Pennsylvania Junior Dairy Show will kick off the week of quality dairy shows on Monday, Sept. 23. Qualified entries will be shown by 4-H and FFA members of Pennsylvania in the Large Arena beginning at 8 a.m. For more information contact your county extension agent or ag education instructor. 4-H, FFA, and collegiate teams chosen to represent their state or college are invited to the Invitational Youth Dairy Cattle Judging Contest on Monday in the Small Arena. The annual contest will recognize individuals and teams in each division and will begin at 8 a.m. The day will conclude with the Judging Contest Awards Banquet conducted at the Harrisburg-Hershey Marriott Hotel at 7 p.m. For more information, contact the All-American Dairy Show office.

The Sixth Annual Junior Dairy Management Contest will begin on Tuesday, Sept. 24 at 9:30 a.m. The contest is open to all 4-H and FFA members, and agricultural students at private high schools. The winning youth will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top 10 4-H and FFA individuals and top 10 teams. For contest brochure and entry blanks, contact Christine Williams at cwilliams@tulpa.com, K12.pa.us or (610) 488-6286, or the All-American Dairy Show office.

"Meet a Cow" Day will be conducted on Tuesday, Sept. 24 in the Maclay Street Lobby of the Farm Show Complex from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. This is an opportunity for everyone to meet a dairy cow up close and personal. Participants will be allowed to pet a cow, learn interesting facts about dairy animals, milk production, and various milk products. Milk promotional items will be given to each youth attending. This event is hosted by the Penn State Dairy Science Club.

A junior (youth) show will be conducted as a part of

each of the six dairy breed national shows. Premiums will be paid to juniors in all six junior shows. The All-American Milking Shorthorn Junior Show and the Eastern Regional Ayrshire Junior Show will take place Tuesday, Sept. 24. Wednesday is the day for the Eastern National Brown Swiss Junior Show and the National Guernsey Junior Show. The Eastern National Holstein Junior Show and Mid-Atlantic Jersey Junior Show will take place Thursday. The grand champion in each junior show will receive a \$1,000 savings bond. The first ever supreme champion of the junior shows will be selected and receive a cash premium of \$2,000. The selection of the supreme youth champion will be conducted as a part of the All-American Supreme Pageant on Thursday, Sept. 26. The pageant will take place immediately following the Jersey and Holstein shows in the Large Arena.

Applications are now available for the Judy Collinsworth Outstanding Junior Exhibitor Memorial Award. Any junior exhibiting in the Eastern National Holstein Junior Show is encouraged to apply for this award. The criteria will include the following: Sportsmanship, Herdsmanship, and Level of Participation in Holstein Activities. There will be a cash prize for first place. Please contact the All-American Dairy Show office for more information.

For additional information on any of the mentioned contests or activities, contact the person indicated or the All-American Dairy Show office at (717) 787-2905 or e-mail: aadspa.state.us.

Youth Supreme Champion To Be Selected At All-American

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — New premiums, new awards, and a first-ever Youth Supreme Champion of the All-American Dairy Show will be awarded during All-American week Sept. 22-26.

For the first time, cash premiums will be awarded to the junior shows of each of the six dairy breeds. A \$1,000 savings bond sponsored by Renaissance Nutrition will be awarded to each of the Youth Show grand champions.

Following the Holstein and Jersey shows on Thursday, Sept. 26, all six Youth Grand Champions will be introduced as a part of the All-American Supreme Champion Pageant. The first ever Youth Supreme Champion will be selected by a panel of judges and the owner will be awarded a cash premium of \$2,000. Sponsoring the award is LIRA Animal Health Products.

For additional information on the six national junior dairy shows, contact the All-American Dairy Show office at (717) 787-2905 or e-mail HYPERLINK "mailto:aads@state.pa.us" aads@state.pa.us.

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