



4-H HAPPENINGS

Mifflin County 4-H Archers Capture Gold

Three Mifflin County archers who comprised the Pennsylvania 4-H archery team won the team championship at the recent National 4-H Shooting Sports Games at the NRA Whittington Center in Raton, N.M.

Fifteen states were represented at the competition by four-member teams. The Pennsylvania team — Brad Specht, Joe Young and Jonas Glick — overcame adversity when their fourth teammate from Montgomery County was unable to attend. Ordinarily, the top three archers' scores are used to tally the total team scores. Without a fourth member, every shot by Glick, Specht and Young was counted.

"There were only three of us, so we had to focus on every shot," said Specht. Added Glick, "We had to be on our toes all week."

Along with the lack of a team member, the trio had to face challenging weather and equipment failure. The wind was blowing 30-35 mph during one event — "too strong for shooting archery," said Young. Specht's yolk broke on his bow, and he had to continue shooting even though the strings kept breaking.

As a team, the archers placed first overall; first in 3-D archery, in which they shot at targets shaped like animals; second in FITA (Federation of International Target Archery), which had targets with a 122-centimeter face at 50 and 60 meters and an 80-centimeter face at 30 and 40 meters; and second in the field round, which consisted of black and white targets marked with different distances. Specht earned second place overall individual, first place individual FITA and second place individual in field. Glick earned third in individual FITA.

Cumberland Co. 4-H Light Horse/Pony Club

July 23, the Cumberland County 4-H Light Horse and Pony Club brought to order their monthly meeting at Long Acres, in Carlisle at 7 p.m.

President Megghan Michaud called the meeting to order, Mindy Williams took roll call, and Michelle Thomas read the treasurer's report. The Pledges were then said. Samantha O'Malley led the American Pledge and Kristan Rumer led the 4-H Pledge. Following the pledges,

the members who made it to the District VI Horse Show told everyone what class(es) they made it in.

Albert Barrick talked about the topic of the meeting, Draft Horse Driving. Alina Lebo talked about the Open Horse Show, July 13.

Coaches, Barb Rebert (Horse Judging) and Becky Barrick (Hippology) introduced the members who will be representing the Cumberland County 4-H Horse Club at the 2003 Penn State 4-H Achievement Days. The senior team for Horse Judging is Janine Guido, Carrie McLaughlin, Meghan Michaud, and Michelle Thomas. The senior team for Hippology is Brittney Books, Kristin Egolf, Alina Lebo, and Kristan Rumer.

The leaders made brief comments, and the meeting was adjourned. Refreshments were provided.

There will be no August meeting, but the club's first meeting of the new club year will be Sept. 24 at the Trinity Fellowship Hall in Walnut Bottom. Horse safety will be the topic of the meeting.

If you are interested in joining the 4-H Horse Club, contact the Cumberland County Extension Office at (717) 240-6500.

Susquehanna County Sizzlin' Steaks 4-H Club

The Sizzlin' Steaks 4-H Club met at Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell's house, July 17. Aaron opened the meeting with the pledges being said. Aaron gave the treasurer's report. Christina gave the secretary's report and took roll call.

Aaron did his demonstration on how water is better for you than Gatorade. Christina showed us how to pot a plant, and Olivia showed the group how to make pizzas by using Hungry Jack biscuits for the crust. We painted tubs for our beautification spot. Then the group wrote a thank you note to Mr. Burman.

When we were finished with the work we enjoyed the pizzas made by Olivia and cupcakes made by Mrs. Mitchell.

Bradford County Conducts Livestock Roundup

TROY (Bradford Co.) — The 2003 Bradford County 4-H/FFA Livestock Roundup took place, Monday, July 21, at the Troy Fairgrounds in Troy.

The Roundup began at 9 a.m. with the 4-H/FFA Beef Show. Grand Champion Beef was exhibited by Hannah Alford of the Champion Chargers 4-H Club. Reserve Grand Champion was exhibited by Jerred Williams of the Northeast Ag and Home Economics Club.

Grand Champion Showman was Jade Wood of the Cheesesteaks 4-H Club. Champion Fitter was Jerred Williams.

Seventy pigs were then shown. Grand Champion was shown by

Betsy Hennip of the Udder Bunch 4-H Club. Reserve Champion was exhibited by Kayla White of the Champion Chargers 4-H Club.

First place lightweight pigs included Bruce Hildebrand of the North Towanda 4-H Club, Marc Waltmyer of Udder Bunch 4-H, and Korey White of Champion Chargers. First place medium-weights were Shelby Crawford, and Betsy Hennip of Udder Bunch.

In the heavyweight division, first place winners were Stephen Laudermilch of Udder Bunch, Vance Spencer of Granville Squealers, and Jamie Crawford of Udder Bunch.

Champion Showman was exhibited by Marc Waltmyer of the Udder Bunch 4-H Club. Champion Fitter was won by Caleb Gore of the North Towanda 4-H Club.

In the 4-H Market Lamb Show Grand Champion Lamb was exhibited by Kayla White of the Champion Chargers 4-H Club. Reserve Grand Champion was exhibited by Jackie Blade of Kountry Kritters 4-H Club. Champion Showman was Kayla White and Champion Fitter was Eileen Elliott of the East Troy 4-H Club.

In the Junior Division, Master Fitter went to Allison Fritsch of Champion Chargers and Master Showman to Jerrit Wolfe of Champion Chargers.

4-H Teens Attend Leadership Conference

ANNVILLE (Lebanon Co.) — 4-H teens throughout Pennsylvania attended a 4-H Teen Leadership Conference, July 8-11, at Lebanon Valley College.

Teens from Cumberland County who attended were Brittney Books, Tori Fuller, and Alina Lebo.

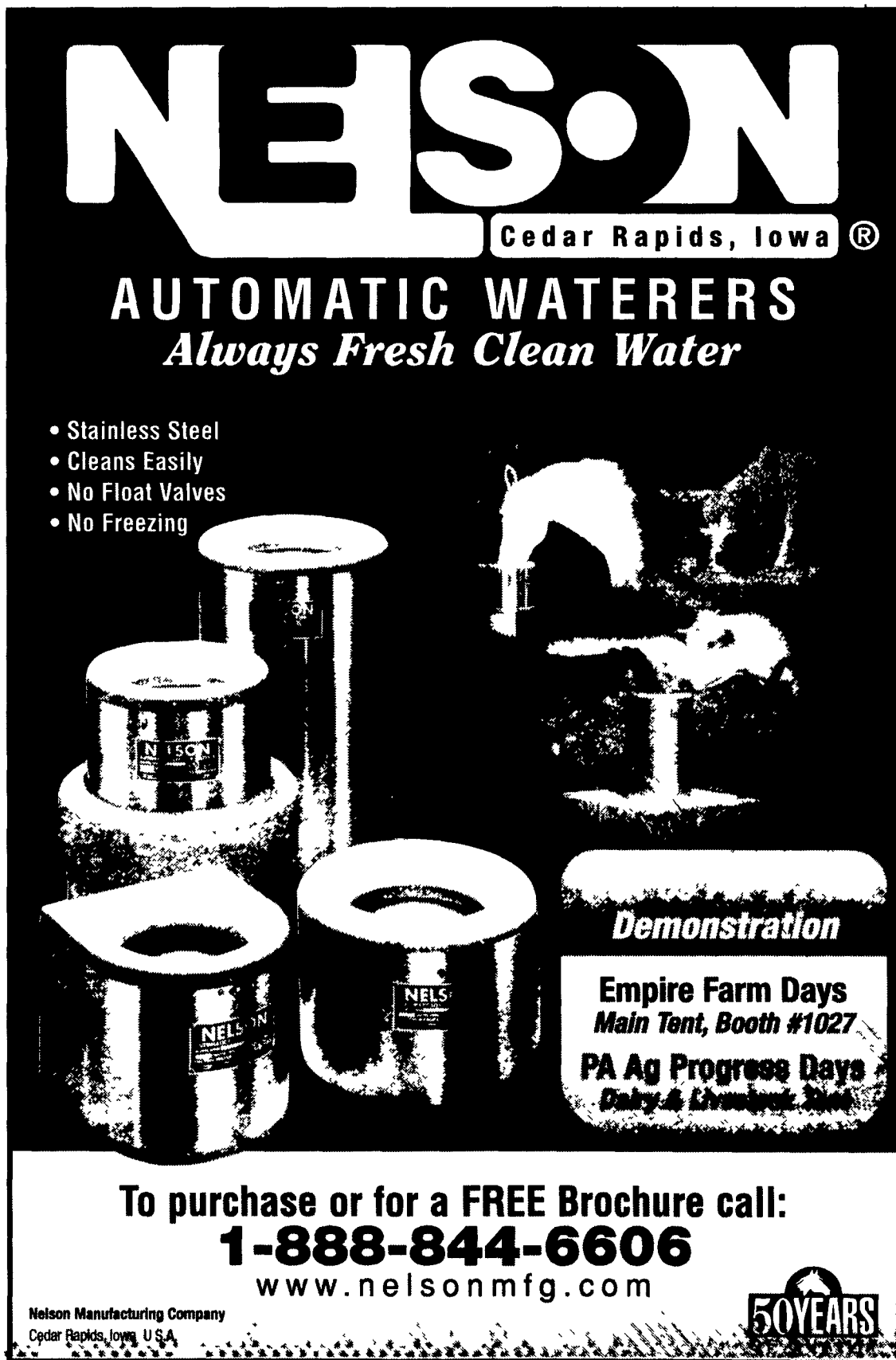
The teens arrived on campus Tuesday afternoon, and were assigned a room and a group. Keynote speakers Elio Chiarelli and J.D. Dunbar talked to the groups about leadership. There was a dance and hangout later that night.

On Wednesday, the groups attended four Care Leadership Workshops, which included: Games Leadership, Public Speaking/Communication, Citizenship and Civic Duty, and Communicating in a Crazy Mixed-up World.

Groups also attended two Leisure Education Workshops, which included: Shape Dancing, Hose Play, Candle Making, GPS/GIS, and Aerogami. Afterwards, everyone enjoyed a nice meal and a play (The Music Man) at the Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre.

On Thursday, the groups attended a Recreational Leadership Seminar. All afternoon they prepared for the Group Leadership Activity and their Group Leadership Challenges. Then they visited the Arnold Sports Center where they could swim, play basketball, volleyball, or wallyball.

On Friday, the groups headed to Derry Township Middle School for their Leadership Activity. After discussing their Group Leadership Experience, the 4-Hers headed for home.



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