

# Ida's Notebook

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My morning glories have just begun to bloom and now the mornings are so very cool. So, I fear that there will only be a few more big blue blossoms to enjoy. I feel as though we had a short summer and fall has come too soon.

My 65th high school reunion was last week and about 30 classmates came to enjoy each other's company. Half of our class are no longer living and some are in nursing homes. Some of us are quite active and the committee that planned the event gave everyone a list of addresses and phone numbers to contact each other.

My husband and I were able to attend one of the many community fairs in our county. The attraction for us was the pigs that our grandsons were showing. They were pleased to have some

of the champion pigs again and they received trophies. It certainly is different than showing heifers as our children did in 4-H shows. You do not lead the pigs, they simply run everywhere.

It can be almost a full-time job simply keeping our children informed as to what their siblings are doing. It does make the job easier by using the telephone instead of just writing a letter. One is having her house painted, one just got a new boat, and one had a lightning strike near his home that ruined his appliances. One is publishing a community newspaper, another got a new job, and our youngest daughter often phones us from distant cities where she goes on business.

All of that activity is in my past and I shall try to be satisfied with what I have now.

## Montgomery Co. 4-H'ers Sell Market Animals



Luke Gehman sold his grand champion market hog to Leidy's Inc. for \$651, represented by Karen Brown.



Alice Phillips sold her grand champion market lamb to I.T. Landis and Sons Inc. for \$357, represented by Chris Landis.

CREAMERY (Montgomery Co.) — Every August at the Montgomery County 4-H Fair the Fair is brought to a close by the Market Animal Sale. At this time the youth market projects are auctioned off to a crowd of local businesses representatives, with the proceeds going to the

4-Hers to purchase another market animal for next year or to further their education. This year there were 49 entries, with the total sales of over \$20,000.

The following are some of the highlights of the sale:

The auction started out by selling a representative gallon of milk from Kevin McGinnis' supreme champion dairy cow to Rosenberger's Dairies for \$216.00.

Austin Shollenberger's supreme champion dairy goat's milk sold to Quakertown Veterinary Clinic for \$125. Next, Sarahlynn Knechel's grand champion dozen of eggs sold to Bergey's Leasing for \$305.

Jessica Marsch sold her 1,295 pound grand champion market steer to Keystone Motors for \$1,683.50. Seth Ruth sold his 1,225 pound reserve grand champion market steer to Alderfer

Auction Company for \$1,837.50.

Jay Owens sold his grand champion group of three capons to Donald Duchai for \$120.

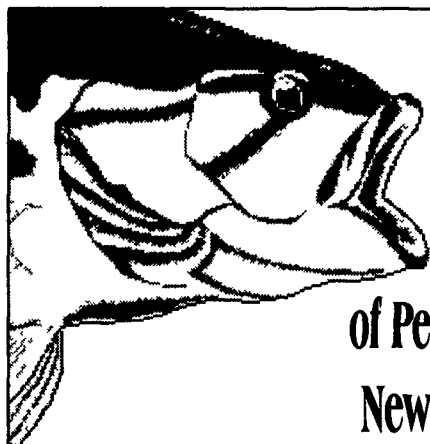
Alice Phillips sold her grand champion market lamb to I. T. Landis and Sons Inc for \$357 and her grand champion market lamb pair to Moyer & Son, Inc for \$375.

Matt Neiman sold his grand champion market rabbits to John Helfrick for \$42.90.

Amy Shollenberger sold her grand champion market goat to Souderton-Telford Rotary for \$547.50.

Luke Gehman sold his grand champion market hog to Leidy's Inc. for \$651.

Kevin McGinnis sold his reserve grand champion market hog to Hatfield Quality Meats Inc. for \$357. Megan Sell sold her grand champion market hog pair to Leidy's Inc. for \$556.50.



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