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**Pennsylvania Farm Safety & Health Quiz Bowl State Finals Results**

Teens and safety rarely go hand in hand, but a group of Pennsylvania’s youth is proving that safety is an important part of rural work and life. Eight teams of FFA and 4-H students from throughout the commonwealth displayed a wealth of knowledge during the Pennsylvania State University Farm Safety and Health Quiz Bowl, held at the 2013 PA Farm Show on Wednesday, January 9.

The quiz bowl is designed to motivate youth to increase their awareness and knowledge of agricultural safety and health issues. During the competition, students are asked a sampling of more than 1,000 questions. Categories include machinery, equipment and tools, occupational health, environmental hazards, pesticides and other chemicals, confined spaces, farm shops, special populations, and animals and livestock management.

Four teams each from 4-H and FFA competed in the Quiz Bowl State Finals at the 2013 Pennsylvania Farm Show. The teams were winners from the semi-final contest held during Penn State’s 2012 Agricultural Progress Days. The Agricultural Safety and Health Program at Penn State University and the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture manage the quiz bowl. Westfield Insurance, CNH North America, Inc., AgChoice Farm Credit, Mid-Atlantic Farm Credit and Farm Family Insurance Company sponsored the safety quiz event. Awards include a team certificate and prize money of $650 for 1st place; $550 for 2nd place, $450 for 3rd place and $350 for 4th place.

**Winners of the 4-H Farm Safety and Health Quiz Bowl were:** 1st place Cumberland County 4-H Team A; 2nd place Union County 4-H; 3rd place Snyder County 4-H; and 4th place Cumberland County 4-H Team B.

**Winners of the FFA Farm Safety and Health Quiz Bowl were:** 1**st** place Mifflinburg FFA; 2nd place Cumberland Valley FFA; 3rd place Midd-West FFA; and 4th place Chambersburg SHS FFA.

See attached photo award presentation for the Chambersburg FFA team. Pictured left to right are: Andrew Pennisi, Farm Family Insurance; Sean Jones, FFA State Sentinel; Austin Albright, FFA State Vice President; Casey Shawver, FFA State President; team member Ryan Monisci; Dave Scott, Chief, Health & Safety, PA Department of Agriculture; team members Karie Leister, Rebekah Byers, Levi Rotz; team advisor Eddie Parsons; Alexa Stoner, AgChoice Farm Credit.

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