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L. E. Rishel was a busy man at the Woodsmen Festival last weekend. His art is chain saw sculpture, and he could be seen perfecting his seven foot masterpiece throughout the Festival.
Lancaster Farming photo by Kendace Borry

Compete in Northeastern Loggers' Assn. championships

Lumberjacks come to

Lancaster Co. competition

By KENDANCE BORRY
ELIZABETHTOWN - For the third year running, the Elizabethtown Mount Joy Forest Fire Crew hosted the Northeastern Lumberjack Festival, at their headquarters near Milton Grove, Lancaster County.

All around point champion for 1979 was Arden Cogar, Webster Springs, West Virginia, who through the various competitions, managed to score a total of 23 points.

The top four spots in the competition were dominated by the Cogar family. Jack Cogar was named second, Paul Cogar third, and Bill Cogar fourth.

As you might have guessed, the Cogars are real-life lumberjacks, who run a family logging

business. Jack Cogar has been the world champion in some events in the woodsmen carnivals 17 times, and members of the family travel to compete in many festivals and contests.

What do you do at a woodsmen festival? Well there is ax throwing, log rolling, tobacco spitting, two-man cross saw, Jack and Jill cross cut saw, log jousting, chain saw, ax chopping, tug of war, tree climbing, and for the ladies, nail driving.

The festival was a family event, with special features including square dancing under the stars, a cake decorating contest, games, gospel music, a wild animal show, commercial displays, and fair rides.

Members of the forest fire

crew first conceived the idea of having a lumberjack competition over three years ago. That Fall they staged their first competition, one which a member termed, "small and modest" compared to this year's project.

As the crew explained, the whole festival has just grown by leaps and bounds each year, when competitors appeared from West Virginia, Ohio, Virginia, Indiana, and a few other neighboring states as well as from Pennsylvania.

This was the first year that the competition was divided between amateurs and professionals. And if the turnout for the amateurs was any indication, there are a lot of people in the audience that always wanted

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300 protesters at sewer meet

It was a circus Wednesday night at the Loganville-Springfield Elementary School in York County, complete with tightrope walking, juggling and a clown act or two.

An audience of 300 people, mostly farmers, watched while representatives of the South Central Sewer Authority presented their case for a spray irrigation sewer treatment system proposed for the Loganville, Jacobus and Springfield Township area.

The system would utilize some 239 acres of privately owned farmland for lagoons, holding ponds and spraying area.

None of the six authority members spoke at the meeting. They were represented mainly by Robert J. Halbert, the engineer assigned to the project by the authority's engineering consulting firm, Buchart-Horn Associates.

Halbert was the man on the tightrope. His job was to describe the operation of the proposed system, which he did with the help of diagrams projected onto a screen at the front of the room.

Time and again, voices from the darkness assailed the engineer.

"Where are you putting this?"

"What's it going to cost?"

"How much are the engineers getting?"

"Why isn't it being put to a vote?"

Halbert paused as each question came at him, then moved on with his explanation of the system. When the lights were turned on, it became apparent that he had been asked by the

authority's attorney not to stray from the workings of the system.

The attorney, Stephen Linebaugh, fielded most of the questions from the largely hostile audience.

Little was said Wednesday about the collection system that would be needed for a regional sewage treatment facility. The schoolhouse meeting dealt mainly with the proposed spray irrigation system.

Halbert said that 12 spray sites had been considered originally, but that four had been rejected as unfeasible.

Of the remaining eight sites, a number of configurations were possible, but one was considered most desirable according to Buchart-Horn's engineering studies.

That site would take in 239 acres, including 69 acres on the Dennis McWilliams farm, 108 acres on the neighboring Brenneman farm and 62 acres on the Springfield Sportsmen's Club. All the properties adjoin each other.

Halbert said that they could expect to spray some

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Robert Halbert...on a tightrope.

Potato prices low; yields look good

By DEBRA STRICKLER
LITITZ-As the potato harvest is in full swing, area potato growers agree that their yields are comparing with other years but the price is considerably lower. Lower prices are resulting from an increased supply of potatoes in the area.

According to Noah Kreider, Jr. a Manheim area potato grower, the low prices have resulted from "too many potatoes being imported into our area". The majority have been imported from the western areas, including Ohio and Michigan. Kreider raises 300 acres of potatoes and is half

completed with this year's harvest. He believes the yield and quality compare favorably with last year.

The George Wolfe's of Stewartstown, York County, produces 150 acres of potatoes. They view the yield as good this year, however are disappointed in the size of the potatoes. A smaller size predominates as a result of too much wet weather.

Although the Wolfe's pack 90 per cent of their own potatoes; a few weeks ago, they shipped a few potatoes to a local chip factory in an effort to obtain a better price. The packaged Wolfe

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