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# Sterling Brook Farm to host ag board picnic

PITTSTOWN, NJ — The Farmers'-Businessmen's Picnic of Hunterdon County is scheduled for Thursday, July 31, at Sterling Brook Farm, three miles west of Pittstown on county route 513

This is an annual and very popular event of the Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture.

Formerly the Barrie Farm, Sterling Brook Farm has been in operation in Hunterdon for about a year,

#### Seven to seek

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Pep Club, Future Business Leaders of America and participated in the musical, "Anything Goes."

As a senior, Heidi was the recipient of the Manheim National Bank Business award. She is currently employed at the Farm Credit Office, Lancaster.

Heidi has been involved in several different aspects of the poultry industry. She was previously employed by Manheim Area Poultry Service, and presently assists her family in their 120,000 laying hen operation. She is a member of St. Marks United Methodist Church, Mt. Joy. Her hobbies include hiking, bike riding, sewing and baking. Steve Hershey will escort Heidi.

Debra Susan Vanderwende, a senior at Warwick High School, is the daughter of Mr & Mrs John J. Venderwende, 1147 East Newport Road, Lititz.

Deb's activities in school and hobbies include music.

gymnastics, jogging and traveling.

Deb is a member of the Jerusalem Lutheran Church. Her future plans are to attend college and study animal science and/or wildlife protection.

Her father is presently employed by Victor Weaver as a Broiler Research Supervisor Debra will be escorted by Chuck Koelsch

Judged partly on knowledge of the poultry industry and in part on poise and self confidence, the queen will promote the county's poultry industry. She will attend the Lancaster County Poultry Association's annual banquet and will have varied duties such as appearing in parades.

Tickets for the contest may be purchased at \$7 per person from any of the contestants, board members or by mailing a self addressed envelope with the correct amount to John H. Hershey, R1, Box 139, Marietta, PA 17547. Ticket deadline is July 27.

reports William Groah, Pittstown, chairman for the affair It is an outstanding farm devoted to the breeding of the Standardbred horse.

It is a foaling farm, where mares give birth to extremely well-bred youngsters destined for competition at the track. A number of thoroughbred mares are also involved in the foaling operation.

The farm is owned by A. J. Taub of East Orange. It is one of several farms, located in a number of states, involved in the Taub horse breeding operation.

Dr. Dennis Milne, noted veterinarian specializing in equines and particularly race horses, is in partnership with Taub in the horse breeding endeavor. Dr. Milne manages Sterling Brook farm along with other responsibilities in the overall operation.

In response to the question of why the Hunterdon location for the foaling farm, Dr. Milne indicates that the search was conducted in many states. But they settled on the Alexandria Township location, the

former Barrie Farm, because it had all the requisites for an excellent foaling farm.

Rolling terrain, excellent soil and climate to support lush grass for the extensive pastures needed, excellent location as farm as transportation was concerned.

"It's ideal for our purposes," he said.

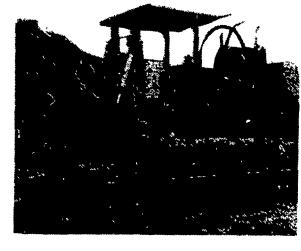
Tours of the farm and facilities will be held between 6 and 7 p.m. Picnic supper is set for 7, says chairman Groah. Speaker on the program, in addition to Dr. Milne, will be John Berry, associated with the Standardbred Breeders and Owners Association of New Jersey. An excellent and noted speaker, his main theme will stress the value and impact of the horse industry on agriculture in New Jersey.

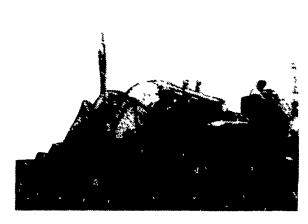
Tickets for the supper are \$7.00 each and may be obtained by sending a check to the Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture, RD 6 Box 48, Flemington. Or, call 201/788-1338. Make checks payable: Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture



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