

Lebanon County sets annual harvest fair

SCHAEFFERSTOWN — Lebanon County's 12th annual harvest fair is scheduled for September 13 and 14 from noon until 6 p.m.

In addition to the fair, the 10th annual horse plowing contest will be held on the Alexander Schaeffer farm, Saturday only.

The harvest fair revives customs of processing fresh apples into apple butter, cider and schnitz. Corn will be ground into cornmeal and old style threshing machines will run on the grounds.

Items for exhibition and judging should be brought to the farm on Friday evening between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. or Saturday morning before 10 a.m.

Judging is scheduled to begin promptly at 10 a.m.

The Saturday horse plowing contest will feature both a two and a three horse walking plow contest.

In addition there will be demonstrations of horse shoeing, two-way walking plows, bottom sulky plows, 'The Young Chief,' a threshing machine manufactured in Brunnerville until the 1870s, and a multi-hitch of 16 horses pulling a disk.

A 2-team log pulling contest is scheduled. The public will be invited to try horse plowing.

Donation for the fair is \$1.50 and there is a 50 cent charge for parking.

Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser



My husband enjoys the woods. Now our own acres of woodland hold no enchantment for him but the mountains that might hold deer do.

He has wanted to explore some new hunting ground and finally picked a day when I felt that I was too busy to go along. However, as I knew he wouldn't be happy until he went, we packed a lunch and set off for a few hours.

He actually helped pack lunch, which is unusual for him, so that I could prepare some cucumbers for pickling. Luckily our two teenagers were free to accompany us and so we had a short swim in the pool at Little Buffalo State Park after we ate our picnic under a tree that was dropping tiny caterpillars on us.

While we swam, Allen spent his time using his binoculars to scan the nearby mountains and lake with its fishermen.

Then we drove deep into the mountains on unpaved and bumpy roads. Some of them were marked "dead end" but that didn't keep us from trying them. I spied a box hanging from a limb which my family told me was a milk carton but I disagreed. So, we investigated and found it to be the gypsy moth trap that I suggested it was when I first saw it.

There were several look-out points high in the

mountains which looked out over Doubling Gap. We stopped to take pictures and share a snack.

Even though we kept our eyes open, we did not see one deer on this trip. All we saw was a mouse and a grouse. (My Grandma Landis would have said, "That is true because it rhymes.") Before we got on the turnpike to return home, we saw fields of corn which were very short and not developed due to lack of moisture.

When I got home my one-half bushel of beans was still waiting in the refrigerator to be frozen and the baskets of peaches had not run away either. So it is back to the "old grind" as they say.

Home On The Range

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COUNTRY HAM STEAK WITH TROPICAL SAUCE

- 3 country ham center slices, 1 inch thick
- ½ cup brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce
- ½ cup honey
- 1 cup pineapple juice
- 1½ tablespoons cornstarch
- ¼ cup water

Combine sugar, mustard, Worcestershire sauce, honey and pineapple juice in a saucepan. Simmer 10 minutes, stirring occasionally. Thoroughly mix the cornstarch and water. Add to the pineapple juice mixture. Cook until clear, stirring constantly.

Place the ham slices on the grill and cook slowly about 1 hour, turning and brushing frequently with the Tropical Sauce. Makes 8-10 servings.

CHEESE CUP CAKES

- 12 cupcake papers
- 12 vanilla wafers
- 4 3-ounce packages cream cheese
- ½ cup sugar
- 2 eggs
- ½ teaspoon vanilla
- 1 can pie filling, cherry or blueberry

Put the cupcake papers into a cupcake pan and place a vanilla wafer into the bottom of each cup. Beat the cheese, eggs, sugar and vanilla. Fill each paper ¾ full with the mixture. Bake at 350° F. for 15-20 minutes. Remove the cakes and let stand for 15 minutes before topping with the pie filling. Put in the refrigerator at least 1 hour before serving. Freeze any left over.

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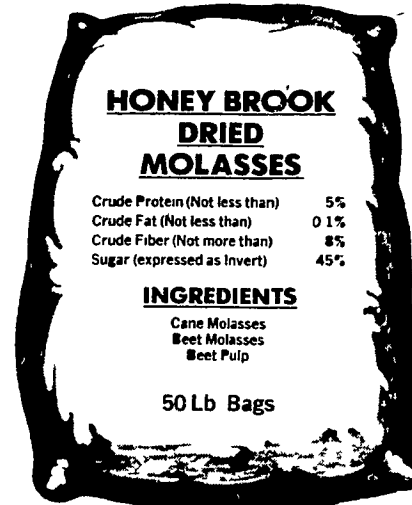
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