

Ag museum to run harvest festival

DOVER, Del. — A full day of traditional Country music will highlight the Delaware Agricultural Museum's first Fall Harvest Festival. The event will be held at the museum site in Dover October 18 with activities getting under way at 10 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m.

Ola Belle Reed and Family, a nationally known group performing traditional music of the southern mountains, will be performing throughout the day along with the Old Grass, New Grass bluegrass band, the Roll Rhythm String Band, the Levis and Laces Square Dancers and the Germantown Country Dancers.

These musical activities will be going on simultaneously at different locations on the museum grounds, according to Paul Parvis, director/curator of the Delaware Agricultural Museum. Visitors will be encouraged to join in the dancing and basic instructions will be provided.

Ola Belle Reed and Family have performed at major folk festivals for the past several years, including the Festival of American Folklife, the North Carolina Folklife Festival and the Philadelphia Folk Festival and the National Folk Festival. The group has recorded on Starday, Rounder and Folkways labels and has toured extensively throughout the eastern United States.

Other Harvest Festival activities, according to Parvis, include a corn husking bee, a cross-cut sawing contest and a number of traditional craft demonstrations including pump log boring, basket making, hewing, shingle splitting, blacksmithing,

quilting, spinning, apple cider and apple butter making, and candle making.

Traditional harvest time food will be sold and the museum's gift shop will be open. The museum's collection of agricultural antiques, farm exhibits and buildings will also be displayed.

The Fall Harvest Festival will be held rain or shine. Admission will be \$2 for adults, and \$1 for senior citizens and children 10-16 years old. Children under 10 will be admitted free. Parking will also be free.

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Agricultural Museum is a private, non-profit educational foundation and the festival is being made possible in part through a grant from the Delaware State Arts Council, an agency of the state of Delaware, and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency.

The museum grounds are located just south of the Delaware State College campus on route 13.

For more information on the festival or the museum call Dover 302/734-1618 or Newark 738-2505.

Maryland 4-H to honor members

TIMONIUM, Md. — More than 90 Maryland teen-agers and 27 adults will be honored during the second annual statewide 4-H recognition program and dinner on Sunday afternoon, October 26 at the state fairground in Timonium.

The event will begin at 3:45 p.m. in the new exhibit building.

There will be 46 state project 4-H winners and 43 recipients of the state 4-H clover award. Some individuals will be included in both categories, reports Maurice J. Spencer, assistant director of the University of Maryland's extension service. Spencer has statewide responsibility for 4-H youth programs.

All but three of the state project winners will be receiving expense-paid trips to the fifty-ninth National 4-H Congress in Chicago during the week of November 30 to December 4. Sixteen of the 43 trip winners will be sponsored by state

businesses and organizations through the Maryland 4-H Club Foundation, Inc.

Two 4-H members from each Maryland county and from Baltimore city will comprise the contingent of 48 clover award recipients. Expenses for this recognition are being underwritten by the Farm Credit Banks of Baltimore.

The adults receiving honors are being recognized for their financial support, service and leadership in 4-H activities. Included in the list will be the first "Maryland 4-H Family of the Year" award.

Banquet entertainment is being provided by "A New Beginning," a newly formed teen-age 4-H choral group directed by Mr. and Mrs. Ronald T. (Debbie) Zepp of Westminster (Carroll County). The group gave its first public performances this summer during the Maryland State Fair in Timonium.

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