

Australian exchange program announced

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A colorful year of international living "down under" is available to American high school students this winter. Registration for this year's Australian exchange program was announced this week by Youth for Understanding.

Students chosen for the program will start classes in January when the Australian school year begins and will return to the United States in time for Christmas.

They will live as members of Australian families, attend school, and experience Australia's richly varied culture first hand.

Approximately 125 students will be selected for the program on the basis of academic achievement

and personal interviews. Applicants must have birthdates between October 1, 1963 and December 31, 1967, and a grade point average of 3.0.

To apply, students should call the YFU Regional Office at (215) 646-5266. The program fee of \$3965 includes round trip air fare from San Francisco. Students will pay their own way to and from the departure point. A limited number of partial scholarships are available, with awards ranging from \$250-\$1,000.

"Learning through international living is the main goal of all our programs," explained Susan Greene, YFU's Director of U.S. Programs. Youngsters chosen for

the Australia experience will be far more than tourists, Greene emphasized. "They will be active participants in everyday Australian life, especially family life."

YFU's extensive support services will make the transition to Australian culture easier for participants. Students will receive four carefully designed orientations: one before departure, one right after arrival, another three months later, and a fourth before coming home.

"Orientation may sound a little dull," commented Michael Mercil, head of YFU's Orientation Department, "but we've planned some exciting group activities that make the students feel right at home." Previous orientations have been combined with field trips to the Outback and tours of cities like Sydney and Canberra.

Another factor that makes adjustment easy is the Australians' legendary hospitality. As one former YFU exchange student put it, "I was surprised at how friendly

the people were. You sit in a restaurant or public place and people talk to you, even in big cities." Participants are also sure to relish Australia's active outdoor life, which boasts some of the finest swimming, surfing, tennis, and golf in the world.

This year, YFU celebrates the exchange of more than 80,000 students during its 30-year history. Youngsters from the U.S., Latin America, Europe, Asia, and Australia have participated.

DER compiles recycling directory

LANCASTER — The Lancaster County Conservation District is

cooperating with the PA Department of Environmental Resources in locating groups in Lancaster County which are involved in recycling operations.

This will be compiled into a statewide directory. The directory will contain companies in the area which buy recycled materials for use in their manufacturing process.

Recycling organizations and

businesses interested in being included in this directory should contact Tom Johnston at the Lancaster County Conservation District, Room 6, Farm and Home Center, 1383 Arcadia Road, Lancaster, PA, 17601, or phone 299-5361.

Include your name, address, phone number, and include materials which you accept in your recycling operation.

Beat the Heat with Eggs

Broiler placements down

HARRISBURG — Placements of broiler chicks in the Commonwealth during the week ending May 9 were 2,433,000, according to the Pennsylvania Crop Reporting Service.

The placements were four percent below the corresponding week a year earlier and two percent below the previous week. Average placements during the past nine weeks were two percent above a year ago.

Placements in the 21 key poultry producing states were 86,273,000, one percent above the previous week and five percent above the same week a year earlier. Average placements in the 21 key states during the past nine weeks were four percent above a year ago.

Broiler-fryers slaughtered in Pennsylvania under federal inspection during the week ending April 29 totaled 1,984,000, with an average liveweight of 4.01 pounds.

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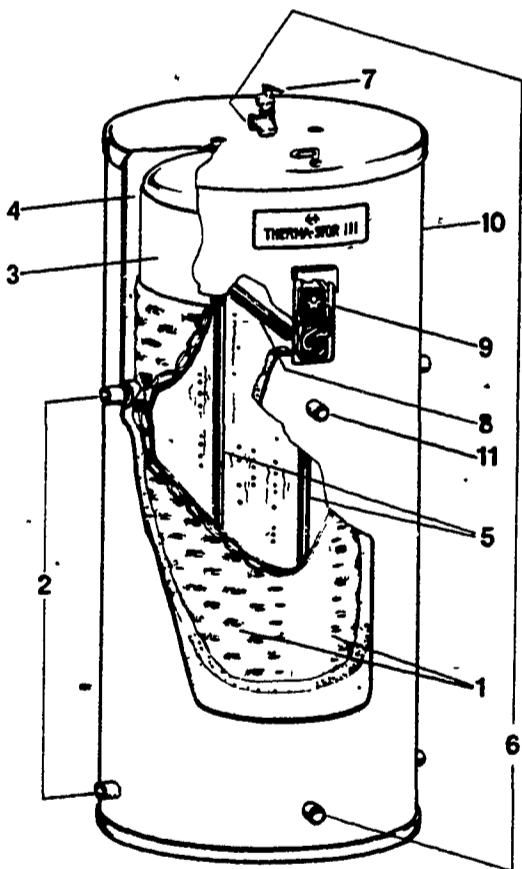
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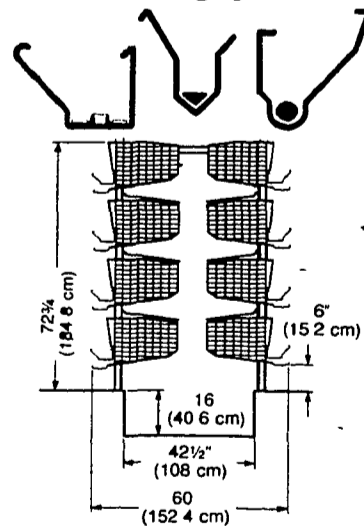


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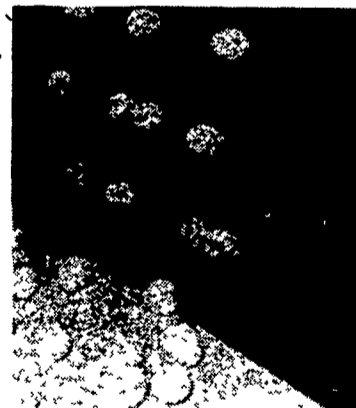
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