Ida's Notebook

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Today is "true" Memorial Day even though it was celebrated earlier in the week. Not only are we to remember our war dead but also family members who have passed on.

A child who helps to gather and arrange flowers in a vase for a trip to a cemetery will likely have a lasting memory of the occasion. This is especially so it a few words of explanation are given and appreciation expressed for the departed family members.

Memorial Day reminds me of blue iris and red peonies that my mother took to grave sites at this time of the year. Frequent trips to a cemetery make a final resting place seem less ominous.

But enough of such talk-with sugar peas waiting to be picked and the first strawberries ready to be placed gently in quart boxes, I should be out in the sunshine working. As Cindy plans to go to the seashore for a few days after graduation with some girlfriends, I fear the backbreaking job of picking those 500 feet of berries will fall on me.

Then again I can always hope that my oldest daughter, Nancy, who is flying East with her baby son in early June, will be able to help me. After all these weeks of weeding the strawberry patch because of an over abundance of chickweed in the area, I certainly wouldn't want anything to interfer with picking them.

I do live "off the beaten path" but when these fresh crops are ready to eat then many people find their way to my door. It is always a pleasure to share the harvest with others so that it can be frozen and enjoyed all year.

Students recognized at Honors Day

NEWARK, Del. — Top-achieving students in the College of Agricultural Sciences were recognized during recent Honors Day ceremonies at the University of Delaware.

Joining the university's 1981 Panel of Distinguished Seniors is Bruce R. Runk, Halstead, Pa. The panel is comprised of one student in each college, selected for outstanding academic and personal qualities.

Patricia N. Jackson, Woodlynne, N.J., received the Alpha Zeta prize, which recognizes the highest ranking sophomore in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

Margaret L. Hogan, Wakefield. R.I., received the Honors Day Book award, which goes to one sophomore or junior in each college.

The Wall Street Journal Award went to Scott A. Black, Newark. Another University-level award, this recognizes one outstanding senior in the College of Business and Economics and one in the College of Agricultural Sciences.

A number of agricultural majors also received recognition at the college level. Recipient of this year's \$650 Ralston-Purina Award

Wilmington.

Southern States Scholarships of \$300 each went to: senior Donald L. Bullock, Harrington, junior Paul S. Williamson, Greenwood, and sophomore Douglas W. Green, Townsend. A \$400 Southern States freshman scholarship went to

Vance C. Phillips, Laurel. A National Alpha Zeta Scholarship went to Michael R. Liberati, Bel Air, Md. He was one

was Peggy Sue Obermann, of only 30 students across the country to receive this award.

Two outstanding seniors were recognized by the Botanical Society of America: Janet A. Trott, Newark, and Susan L. Schumacher, Wayne, Pa. The American Society of Agronomy's Outstanding Senior Award went to Philip M. Jardine, Wheaton, Il. Jardine also won the campus-wide Sigma Xi undergraduate research

York County plans dairy pageant

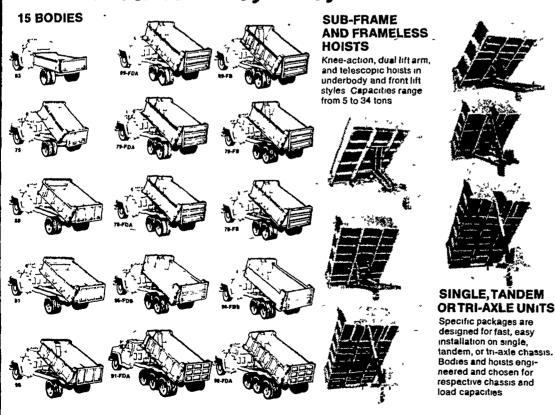
YORK — The York County Dairy Princess Committee is extending invitations to York area farm families and to the general public to attend their 1981 dinner and pageant on June 19, beginning at 7 p.m. at Wischaven Hall, Prospect Road, York,

Special events of the evening include pageant presentations by the five contestants, special entertainment, and the crowning of the new princess by 1980 winner Tina Neufeld.

Dinner tickets are \$7.25 for adults, \$3.50 for children 4 through 12, and children under age 3 are free. Deadline for reservations is June 5, with tickets available from June Boyer, 225-5240; Anna Charles, 292-2370; or Carol Druck, 862-3844

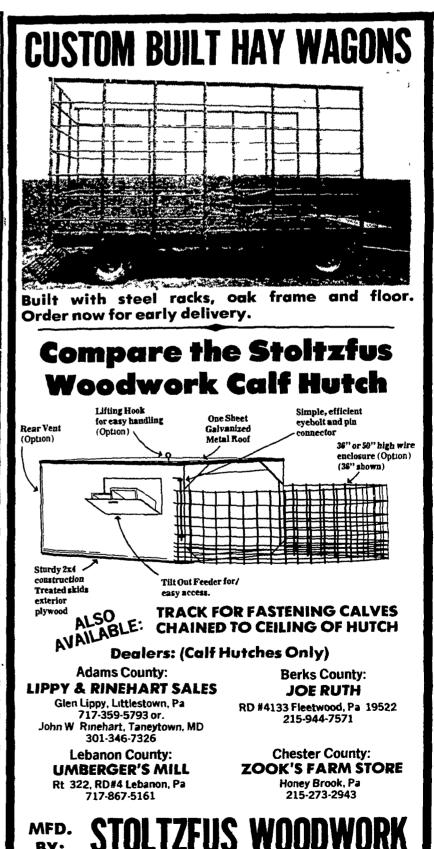


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