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named Ed Kopp. This resident of Manheim says he started chewing in 1976, the year of the bicentennial. Winning tobacco spitting contests is not the way he makes his living, however — he's an electrician. So far this year, he's entered three spitting contests — his record stands at two wins and a third.

For the second year in a row, Ed Kegareis, R2 Myerstown, took home the Champion Bale Thrower's trophy — beating more than 25 other bale heavers.

Maneuvering through an obstacle course in a timed event is tough enough without a load to push. But, at Lebanon, tough is not enough — so in the wheel barrow contest, each run is made with a team mate 'balancing' inside. This year, two teams tied for first place — both from Lebanon. They were Steve Hitz and Cindy Shenk, and Leon and Donna Zeigler.

All the participants left the Farmers' Fun Night a little more tired than when they arrived, but they couldn't have gone home hungry—not with all that fabulous fair food that could make even the losers feel like winners.

"Concentration — now if I could only hit the bucket," seems to be what's going through Tony Buchers mind during the hand-milking contest.



The crowd watches with spell-bound fascination as Lancaster Countian Ed Kopp demonstrates his champion form in the second round of the tobacco spitting contest.



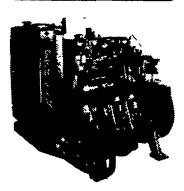


Kathy Mase and Andrea Wampler were the crowd's favorites in the 8-12 Calf Dressing Contest. Their Holstein heifer seems pleased about her new image as a cheerleader.

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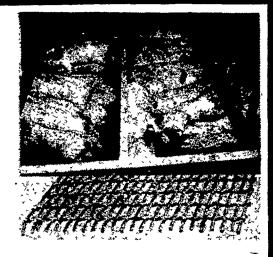


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