



This is the calm before the storm in the vegetable tent. The rows of tables are in place awaiting the entries, and Esther and Harold Stuber check out the entry tags. Esther has been general exhibits chairman since 1960, and says, "I couldn't do the job without Harold."

## Esther Stuber

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Another person whom Esther regards as irreplaceable is Paul Sweigart, who helps with the "properties" for the Fair. Esther says it is Paul who assembles the trestles, lumber, frames and other materials which are used for the displays.

The Ephrata fair has grown, and it now attracts between 80,000 and 100,000 visitors to the town each fall. Esther comments, "Anything that draws that many people certainly has to have some benefits."

When the judging is over and the exhibits are in place, Esther heads over to Main Street to the food stand operated by Farm Women Society 3, of which she is a member and past president. The food stand is an institution for fair goers, and when asked what they serve, Esther answered unhesitatingly, "Good food."

In fact, they offer a different platter every day, including their well know deviled clams, hamburgers, hot dogs and a Farm Women special, added to their sandwich line last year Dairy

drinks, coffee and homemade baked goods are also offered, and Esther says, "It's the only fund raiser we do all year." Last year the Society contributed nearly \$3,500 to community causes.

Esther has been a member of Society 3 since she was 14, the youngest anyone is allowed to join. Her mother was a local and state president of the group, and took Esther along to Society meetings. Esther in turn, has taken her two daughters along. Her daughters, Florence and Linda, are also members of the Society.

Cooking comes naturally for Esther, who has also cooked for church suppers for 35 years at Swamp United Church of Christ in Reinholds. It is at this church where the Farm Women Society meets to do much of the necessary preparation for their food stand at the fair.

A lifelong Republican, Esther serves as committeeman for the Cocalco area, and several years ago was named Republican of the Year. "It was really an honor. I received a citation from the House and from the Senate."

Another of Esther's feats at the Ephrata Fair is winning the

milking contest, something she did twice. In 1972 she placed first, but the following year, she says, "I was nosed out." Unfortunately, it is the tradition for the winner to keep the trophy only after three successive wins, so Esther had it in her possession just one year. In 1978, the tenth anniversary of the contest, all previous winners were invited back, and Esther won again. She says with delight, "I beat them all."

Esther milking cows as a child, and although she hasn't lived on a farm for years, she feels that it is one skill that is never forgotten. As for entering future contests, she says, "I'm finished."

You'll also find Esther at tent city where they have the lamb carcass sale and most likely she will be among the buyers.

It is because of the enthusiasm of people like Esther that the local fairs in Lancaster County are a success. When this year's Ephrata Fair is history, Esther will take a well-deserved rest, but not for long. Soon it is time for evaluating, making suggestions and revisions, and before too long, fair season will be here again.

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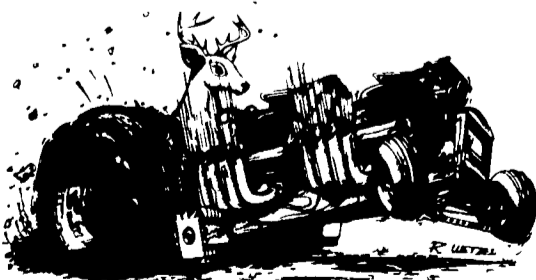
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