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### Speer Named Regional Star Farmer

BLAIRS MILLS - J. Richard Speer, 19, son of James and Henrietta Speer of Blairs Mills, was recently named Eastern' Regional Star Farmer at the Eastern States Exposition at West Springfield, Massachusetts.

A 1985 graduate of Southern Huntingdon High School, Rich is in partnership with his parents on secondary high schools. Par-their dairy farms. He has also ticipants in the Star's Big E demonstrated outstanding Awards program were all selected leadership abilities in the FFA by holding chapter and county offices, participating in numerous contests on the local and state levels, and played in the state FFA band for four years. He is currently the state treasurer for the Pennsylvania Association and won first place in the State Dairy

**Proficiency Contest.** 

The Eastern States Exposition Star Awards recognize the accomplishments of FFA members from the 15 states in the FFA's Eastern Region. FFA membership in the region totals over 100,000 youth who are studying vocational agriculture and agribusiness in as their respective state's Star winners in production farming and agribusiness categories.

The Star Farmer and Star AgriBusiness Person Awards Pageant was sponsored by Sears and Roebuck Company and the Eastern States Exposition which is the largest fair in the east.

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plastic bag with a few drops of food coloring. Sqeeze bag until rice changes color. Then glue the rice to cardboard or stiff paper to create colorful "stained glass" pictures.

 Play-do Pretzels — Draw a pretzel on a sheet of paper or cardboard. Trace the pretzel with non-toxic glue and sprinkle with birdseed. On a cold, clear winter day, have children put the pretzels outside for the birds to enjoy.

• Deli Clear Plastic Lid Frames -Save the tops of plastic deli containers. Draw a circle of cardboard the size of the deli tops, draw pictures on the cardboard and paste clear, plastic lid over top to create a simple ornament.

• Milkweed Pod Poinsettia - In the autumn, collect milkweed pods. Have children paint the pods red, then glue them together to form poinsettias.

• Wishbone Rudolph - Save wishbone from Thanksgiving turkey or chicken. Using a styrofoam egg for a head, implant wishbone to form antlers. Decorate egg to look like a face.

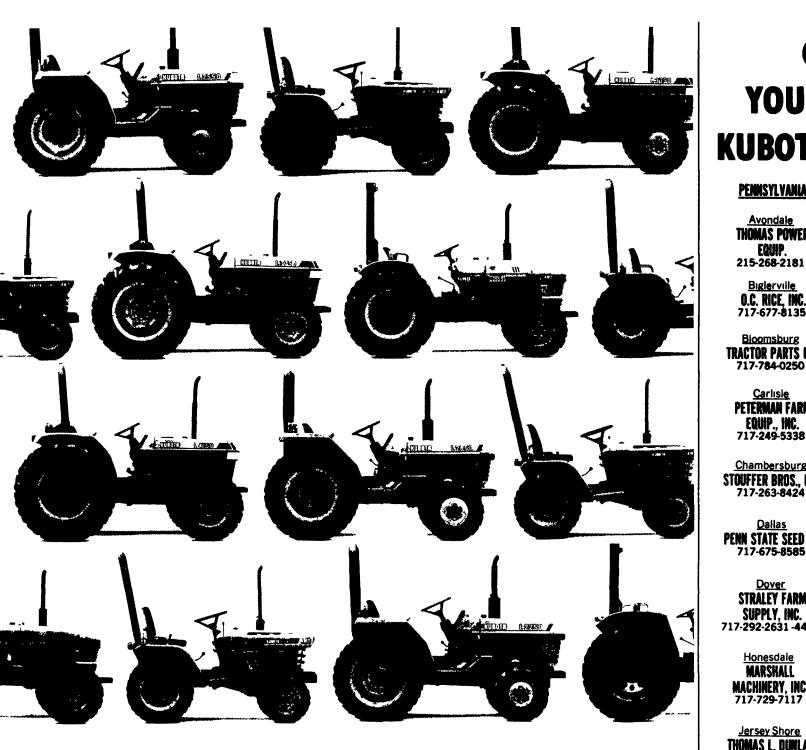
• Spiced/glittered Pinecones -Fill a plastic bag with spices or glitter. Put glue on edges of pinecones, place in bag and shake. The decorated, or scented, cones can be placed in a basket for display.

• Spaghetti "Grapevine" Wreaths - Cook spaghetti until soft, but not done. Drain and place on waxed paper. Swirl to form wreath shapes. Allow to dry and decorate. • Candy Kiss Countdown Tree draw a Christmas tree on a piece of

cardboard; color or paint green. Attach a foil-covered candy kiss with glue for each of the 24 days preceeding Christmas. Each day, allow your child to remove a kiss. Here's a poem to share with your youngster for this project.

"December the first till Christmas; is the longest time of year. Seems though old Santa; Never will appear! How many days till Christmas? It's mighty hard to count. So this little "Kiss-Mas" tree; Will tell you the exact amount. When Momma says it's OK; Take off a Kiss every day; When only the star is left to shine; Then you will know it's Christmas time!

In the afternnon Nan Schock of Funk's Floral Design Shoppe, Millersville, presented a demonstration of Christmas decorations using fresh and silk greens and flowers.



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