

# Kid's KOrner

## Kid Fun At The Elizabethtown Fair

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**ELIZABETHTOWN** (Lancaster Co.) — For the first time ever, the Elizabethtown Fair held a petting zoo. Dwight and Sarah Algoe of Mount Joy were in charge of the zoo which included a pony, a goat, a calf and rabbits galore.

"About 452 people tour the zoo every hour," Dwight said. "The most popular attraction is the rabbits."

There were cages of many different breeds of rabbits so that visitors could compare the various colorings and markings found on the different breeds.

One of the most interesting sights for fairgoers was the opportunity to see rabbits in different stages of growth, from 10 days to 1½ years old. Visitors were not allowed to touch the rabbits that

were in the cages, but they could pet those in a special area where the children could sit and play with the rabbits.

Members of the Mt. Joy 4-H Rabbit Club assisted the Algoes in watching and feeding the rabbits. The cages of the rabbits also needed to be cleaned. About 20 students are members of the club. Some of the members' parents also helped at the Petting Zoo.

In addition to the petting zoo, there were a lot of other activities for children. In one of the contests, children tried to see who could build the tallest stack of cookies. In another, children competed in a pedal-power tractor contest.

Children from ages 1 to 18 could win a soccer ball when they competed in a soccer kicking contest.

Enjoy these pictures taken at the Elizabethtown Fair.



One-year-old Shawna Frey and Lucinda Renee Boyd, 6, play with the rabbits at the Children's Petting Farm at Elizabethtown Fair. Shawna is the daughter of Richard and Sandy Frey of Mount Joy. Lucinda is the daughter of Cindy and Rusty Boyd.



Dwight and Sarah Algoe of Mount Joy headed the 4-H Petting Farm, which opened at the Elizabethtown for the first year. It proved so popular that the Algoes are certain that it will remain a permanent part of the Fair. They are describing the rabbits to Steve Tangert, 11, of Lancaster.



Twelve-year-old Steve Miller serves as the official doork-eeeping to the entrance of the petting zoo. He said he needs to keep a close watch to make sure the animals don't run away when the door is opened.



In the Cookie Stackup competition, children of the same age try to build the highest stack of cookies within one minute.



Eight-month-old Erin Polson, daughter of Esther Polson of Elizabethtown, found her favorite spot at the E-town Fair Petting Zoo.

## Readers Write

Hi,  
My name is Mary. I live on a dairy farm. We have 7 calves and 35 cows. We have 8 horses. We have 4 pets, 3 are cats and 1 is a puppy.

My father's name is John King. My mother's name is Barbie,

Jonas, 7; Susie, 5; Ruth, 2; and Amos, 11 days. I go to Rockvale School. My teacher is Esther Mae Blank. I love reading "Kids KOrner."

Mary King  
No address