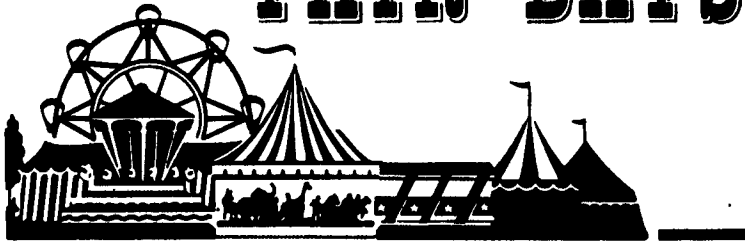


FAIR DAYS



1993 Maryland State Fair A Sure Bet

The 112th Maryland State Fair is a sure bet for summer food, fun, and celebration.

The 10-day festival complete with home arts demonstrations, agricultural and livestock presentations, midway chills, live entertainment, and horse racing will open Saturday, August 28 and run through Monday, September 6 at

the Timonium Fairgrounds in Baltimore County.

The fairgrounds open at 8 a.m. for livestock and horse shows, demonstration halls open at 10 a.m., and the Midway opens at 11 a.m. on weekends and noon on weekdays.

Fairgoers won't want to miss opening day's popular and colorful Hot Air Balloon Race at 7 p.m. The infield will be open at 6:30

p.m. to watch the pilots unfurl, inflate, and take off in their balloons.

The Maryland State Fair is an educational resource complete with daily exhibits and demonstrations which are sure to captivate visitors of all ages. Fairgoers are invited to explore the Farm & Garden, 4-H, and Home Arts Buildings, the Cow Palace, Horse Show Ring, and other agricultural buildings and displays as well as the Exhibition Hall.

The State Fair is the culmination of more than a year's worth of hard work for 4-H members who will compete in shows and demonstrations throughout the fair. The 4-H Livestock Show will begin Saturday, August 28 and run through Wednesday, September 1. The 4-H/FFA Livestock Sale will begin Wednesday, September 1, at 6 p.m. in the Cow Palace. The Open Class Livestock Show will open Thursday, September 2, and run through Labor Day.

The Midway will provide thrills and chills for the entire family with more than 30 rides. "Kiddie Land" will offer tame but exciting rides, and the Midway promises to thrill even the bravest fairgoer.

A wide selection of food will satisfy the spirit as well as the palate. Fairgoers will have the opportunity to enjoy the delightful taste of corn dogs and cotton candy, or the traditional flavor of crab cakes, rib-eye steak sandwiches, fruits, ice cream, and other products fresh from Maryland farms.

For wildlife lovers, the State Fair Park will not only provide picnickers plenty of tables and shade, but a chance to see owls, snakes, turtles and other wildlife provided by the Department of Natural Resources. There will be a variety of live entertainment on the Midway and Grandstand stages including the celebrity talent show.

The Race Track will offer daily horse races, with additional races on Saturday and Labor Day. Post time is 1 p.m.

Admission to the 1993 Maryland State Fair is \$3 for adults, and children under 12 are admitted free. Admittance to the race track is included in the admission price of the fair.

For more information, call (410) 252-0200.

New Rabies Requirement At The Fair

The New York State Fair has instituted a new vaccination requirement for the exhibition of many livestock in 1993.

All dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep and horses exhibited at The New York State Fair this year must first be vaccinated for rabies or the animal will not be accepted. These species of livestock must be vaccinated at least 21 days before the opening day of the fair, which is August 26. To be exhibited at the State Fair, the animals must be vaccinated no later than August 4, or the animals will not be accepted.

Proof will be required that all dairy and beef animals, sheep, or horses have been vaccinated before they will be allowed to enter the grounds. Exhibitors should have their veterinarian add a statement to the health certificate stating that the animal has been immunized against rabies. The statement should include the date of immunization and state the type of vaccine used.

Owners of horses should ask their veterinarian to provide a statement that the horse has been vaccinated for rabies. The statement should include the date of vaccination, the type of vaccine used, and the name of the horse. Attaching a photocopy of the Coggins test certificate will provide positive identification of the animal. Horses from out-of-state may have the veterinarian add this information to the intra-state health certificate.

The requirement applies only to dairy cattle, beef cattle, sheep and horses, in both open and 4-H classes. It does not apply to hogs, goats, llamas, or other types of

livestock.

For additional information, contact Bill Quinn or Sue Reynolds at the New York State Fairgrounds, (315) 487-7711.

Holstein Featured Breed At Montgomery County Agriculture Fair

Holsteins will be the featured dairy breed at the 45th annual Montgomery County, Md. Agricultural Fair Aug. 20-28 here at the county fairgrounds.

Each year the fair honors one or two of the six dairy breeds and offers to its exhibitors an increase in the premiums paid. For instance, Holstein exhibitors winning first place at this year's fair will receive \$100 in premiums. Other breed first place winners will receive \$50.

Holsteins are easily identified by their black and white haircoats.

Special awards to be given during the open class Holstein show include a trophy presented to the exhibitor of the best Montgomery County bred and owned Holstein female presented by the Montgomery County Holstein Association, a perpetual trophy donated by Irvington Farm for the best three Holstein females bred and owned by an exhibitor in memory of Paul B. Misner, and an award to the grand champion Holstein female presented by Barbara Johnson in memory of Donald "Duck" Johnson.

The Holstein show begins at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 25, in the cattle show pavilion with Norman Hill of Woodbine serving as judge.

Tree Growers Host Show

BLOOMSBURG (Columbia Co.) — The 48th annual Pennsylvania Christmas Tree Growers Association's (PCTGA) Summer Meeting and Trade Show is scheduled Aug. 5-7. Host farms are Abraczinskas Nurseries, Catawissa, and Green Horizon Farms, Bloomsburg.

Field demonstrations and tours will be featured, along with a special seminar in insect and disease control. The program begins on Thursday, Aug. 5, with a reception and industry trade show from 5 p.m.-10 p.m. at the Danville Days Inn, Danville, Exit 33 off I-80.

Registration forms and additional information can be obtained by calling the PCTGA office at (800) 547-2842 or by writing to the PCTGA, 44 Cessna Drive, Halifax, PA 17032.

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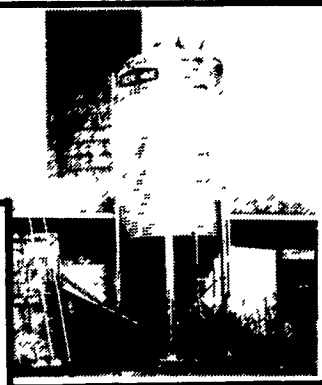
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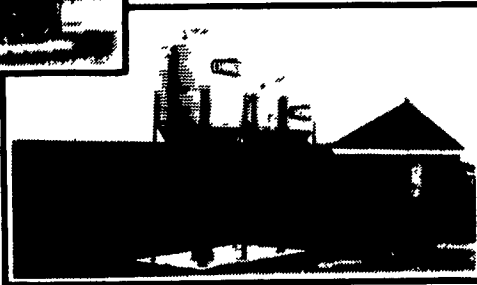


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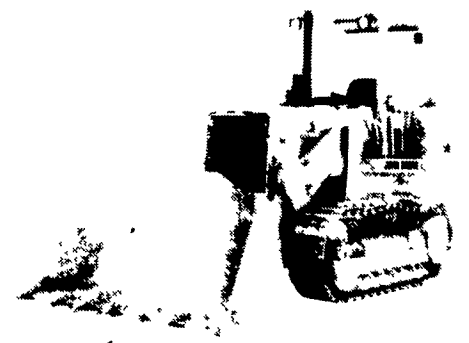
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