

# Ephrata Fair

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Sheep shows at Tent City offer a chance for youth to show off their sheep breeding success.

At the Tent City location, Ephrata Young Farmers will sell homemade soups, hot sandwiches, and other taste-tempting treats to keep fairgoers' stomachs filled. The stand is most famous for its pork chop barbecue on Tues. evening. Proceeds from the sales support the 4-H Therapeutic Riding Club, for handicapped children. Ackley said Young Farmers donate \$1,000 a year to the Therapeutic Riding Club.

Although Farm Women Society 3 is an ag-related organization, its food stand is not located in Tent City but at the Main Street concessions. For 73 years, the Farm Women's stand has attracted diners to its sit-down stand with its homemade specialties. Members start weeks in advance of the Fair to roll out pot pie made with 100 pounds flour, 22 dozen eggs, and 60 pounds of potatoes. Members cook and debone 250 pounds of chicken for chicken corn soup, make applesauce and pepper cabbage, shell, grind and freeze 1,100 deviled clams and other made-from-scratch entrees.

Esther Stuber, who has helped with the stand from the beginning, said, "We've done this for so long that we have a system. It (the work) really isn't hard at all. We have fun doing it."

Join the crowd at the Ephrata Fair in celebration of its 75th anniversary.



Vegetable displays show off the county's bounty.



Ironing pot pie? That's what these Farm Women do in preparation for the food stand at the Ephrata Fair. From left are Ariene Witman, state president; Rachel Hollinger, Norma Meck, Jean Aungst, and Julie.



FFA plays an important role in Tent City activities at the Ephrata Fair. This picture is from 1963.

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