

Hans Herr House Holds Candlelight Tours

WILLOW STREET (Lancaster Co.) — How did the first settlers in Lancaster County celebrate Christmas? Christian Herr's family certainly did not do so by hitting the nearest shopping mall. For one thing, that would have been inconsistent with their non-conformist Anabaptist beliefs. For another, there was no shopping mall in the "howling Conestoga wilderness" of 1710.

Christmas Candlelight Tours at the Hans Herr House represent the holidays as they would have been observed when the area now known as Lancaster County was first settled over 270 years ago. The tours will be held Friday and Saturday evenings, December 3 and 4. Hours for Christmas Candlelight Tours will be 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. both evenings.

Each room of the 1719 Herr House will feature a demonstration of a colonial period winter-time activity, like flax processing to make linen, packing the immigration trunk for moving from the

Old world to the New, and raised hearth cooking. Groups of 15 to 18 persons will be formed at the museum's visitor center for transport to the 1719 House by ox-drawn Conestoga Wagon. The tour of the Herr House will take approximately one hour.

After the tour is over, visitors will be served free refreshments of hot cider, coffee, and pretzels around a bonfire. They may also join in with the Christmas carolers, or might opt to visit the Faith and Furrow exhibit to learn about Herr Family artifacts, wagon making, or colonial fur trading. Still others might want to visit the blacksmith shop to see blacksmith Earl Livengood turn metal rods into children's puzzles.

Adult admission to Candlelight Tours is \$4, children aged 7-12 \$1, and under 7 free. The Hans Herr House is located 5 miles south of the city of Lancaster, PA, near the village of Willow Street, just off Highway US 222/PA 741 to the north, PA 272 to the east.

Sounds Of Christmas

NARVON (Lancaster Co.) — Churchtown Inn Bed and Breakfast will host a "Sounds of Christmas" concert featuring an 8-member Handbell Choir, which will perform in the Victorian Parlors at the Inn on Saturday evening, December 11 at 8:00 p.m.

Amidst a live poinsettia Christmas tree setting, the Celebration Ringers from the New Holland United Methodist Church will perform traditional Christmas carols as well as several non-Christmas pieces of special interest. The most notable presentation will be Tammy Waldrop's rendition of Noah and the Ark. This is an inter-

active piece involving both bell choir and narrator, telling the story of Noah.

This is the second benefit concert in a series of programs at Churchtown Inn designed to present experienced artists in a lovely setting as well as to benefit local organizations. Tickets for the concert are \$5 each with proceeds from the program donated to the Lancaster Shelter for Abused Women. Call for reservations at (215) 445-7794 as seating is limited. Churchtown Inn Bed and Breakfast is located in the center of Churchtown on Route 23.

Enjoy Music At Hershey Museum

HERSHEY (Dauphin Co.) — String players ages eight to sixteen will perform a concert of classical and popular holiday music Sunday, December 5, at 3:30 p.m. at the main gallery of the Hershey Museum.

The Junior Symphonia of Central PA, directed by Pamela deWall, is a group of young musicians sponsored by the Central PA Suzuki Association and Allied Arts. In their first year together they have played at varied community events.

Museum visitors of all ages will enjoy their selections from contemporary to Baroque. The performance is free with museum admission.

The Hershey Museum is a non-profit organization, administered by the M.S. Hershey Foundation and is located at the west end of the Hersheypark Arena.

For more information contact The Hershey Museum at (717) 534-3439.

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that you are supporting our local growers.

To find out where to go in Montgomery County to find your choose-and-cut tree, call the Montgomery County Extension office at (215) 489-4315. Ask for your free copy of the 1993 Choose and Cut Christmas Tree Farm directory.

'Friends' Needed For Emotionally Ill

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — People in our community who are recovering from an emotional disorder are often lonely and afraid. They're sometimes overwhelmed by these feelings and isolated from someone who might help to heal their pain, a friend.

In order to do something about this problem, "The Aurora Club of Harrisburg, 2114 N. 3rd St., has started a new non-profit program

in the area, called Compeer, that offers a type of buddy system for mental health clients and support programs for volunteers. Compeer is a national program currently celebrating its 20th anniversary.

These volunteers will be asked to spend a minimum of one hour each week with their Compeer friend. Together, they might take in a movie or a ball game, or they might just have lunch or talk over

coffee. The effect of these simple one-on-one relationships has been truly impressive, according to Miller. The rate of Compeer clients who need to return to a mental hospital is lower than the rate for people who don't have a "friend" and very few have become homeless, he said.

For more information about serving as a Compeer volunteer, call the Aurora Club at 232-6675 or 238-6422.

Time Management Seminar

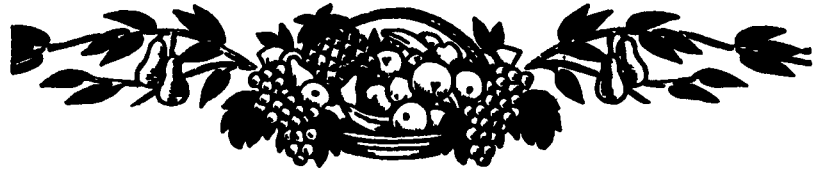
On Tuesday, November 30, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Hunterdon County will present a program titled "Time Management" to be held at the Extension Center on Route 31 in Flemington, NJ.

Do you often feel like Alice in Wonderland, who had to run as fast as she could just to stay in the same place? Between the demands of your spouse, children, job and

home, you'd have to be a miracle worker just to keep up, let alone get ahead. You've tried to reorganize, but there seems to be no solution. All your jobs are essential; there's nothing you can eliminate. Whether you're truly disorganized or simply overextended, join Ann Rhinesmith, Extension home economist of Warren County and learn to use time more effectively.

Participants in the program will learn time management principles such as time analysis, daily planning, budgeting by priorities, minimization of routine and delegation.

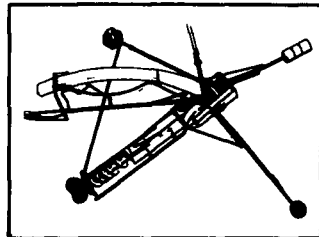
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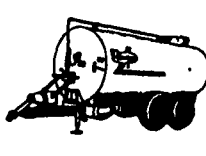
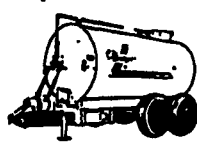
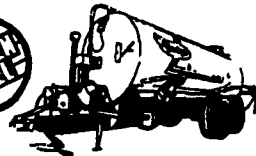
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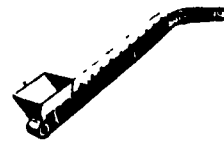
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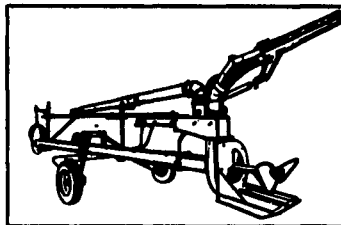
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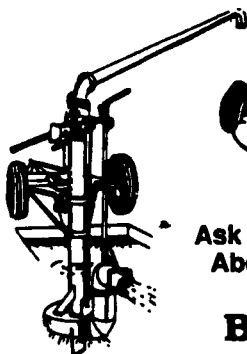
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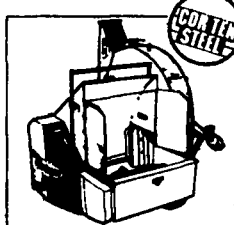
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