

Summer Fun At The 1994 Maryland State Fair

The 113th Maryland State Fair is a sure bet for summer food, fun, and celebration. This 10-day festival complete with home arts demonstrations, agricultural and livestock presentations, midways chills, live entertainment and horse racing will open Saturday, August 27 and run through Monday, September 5 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 week-

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educational resource complete with daily exhibits and demonstrations which are sure to captivate visitors of all ages. Fairgoers are invited to explore the Farm and 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 over 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 27 and run through Wednesday, August 31. The 4-H/ FFA Livestock Sale will begin Wednesday, August 31, at 7 p.m.

The Open Class Livestock Show will open Thursday, September 1, and run through Labor Day. Fair Pass

The Schuylkill County Fair Association announced their sale of one person week-long fair passes. This \$6 pass will admit the same person each day to the Schuylkill County Fair, scheduled Monday, August 7 - Saturday, August 13.

A new admission system will be used at the fairgrounds this year. Vehicles will enter the grounds and be parked immediately. Visitors will then enter the fairgrounds through one of three admission gates. This new system will help eliminate a safety hazard of vehicles stopped on Route 895.

Anyone more than six years of age will be charged \$2 admission. On Wednesday, August 10, Senior Citizens Day, all seniors will enter free until 4 p.m. Also, a special handicapped entrance will be provided.

To obtain a week-long pass, visit the Schuylkill Conservation District Office in the Fairlane Village Mall from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Monday - Friday. One may also contact a fair board member or visit the the fair free on Registration Day, Saturday, August 6 from 1 - 5 p.m. or Sunday, August 7, Preview Day, from 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Additional parking space is being negotiated with a neighboring property owner. However, participants are still urged to carpool because parking may be limited on busy evenings.

Week-long passes will not be available after Sunday, August 7. For more information, contact the conservation district office at (717) 429-1744 or the fair office at 754-FAIR (3247).

#### Premium List For Fair **Exhibits Available** At Fair Office

Allentown Fair Premium Lists, which explain exhibit entry procedures for this year's fair running August 30-September 5, are available at the fair office.

Requirements, deadlines and fees for entry in all departments are listed. Animals, farm, orchard, garden and home products, flowers, photographs, antiques, arts and crafts are judged and exhibited at the fair.

In addition to the traditional fair

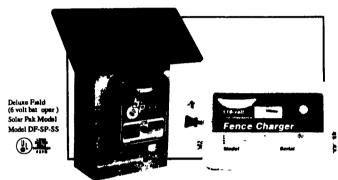
judging categories, the Premium List describes six corporate-sponsored culinary competitions. They are listed as "Special Contests" under the Home Products section.

Two of the contests, Land O Lakes Light and No Fat Sour Cream "Quick Bread" and SPAM "Best Recipe," are state level competitions with winning recipes forwarded to national test kitchens. Placing entries at the fair can win up to \$100. The national Land O Lakes winner will receive \$500 and a year's supply of products. The SPAM national finalist will win a trip for two to anywhere in the world SPAM is sold plus \$1,000 in cash.

New this year, the locally-operated Clover Hill Winery and Vineyards is sponsoring a "Cooking With Wine" contest. Entrants may prepare an appetizer, entree, or dessert. Place winners will receive gift baskets from Clover Hill.

Premium Lists can be picked up at the fair office behind the Ritz Barbecue on the fair grounds weekdays between 9 a.m.-5 p.m. They are also available at the fair ticket office Saturdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information, call (610) 433-7542.

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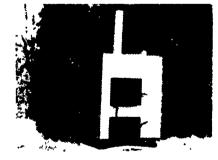
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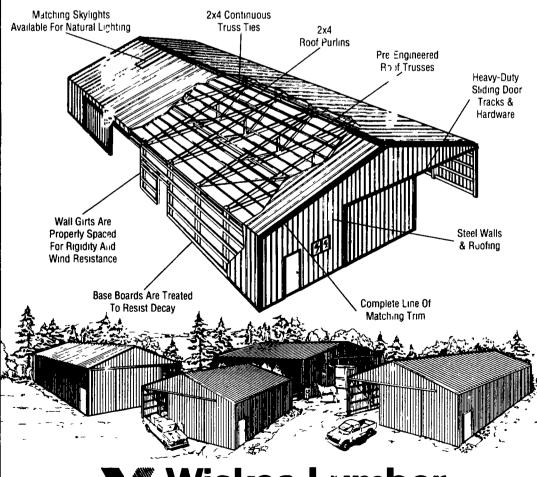
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