

Montgomery Schedules 4-H Fair

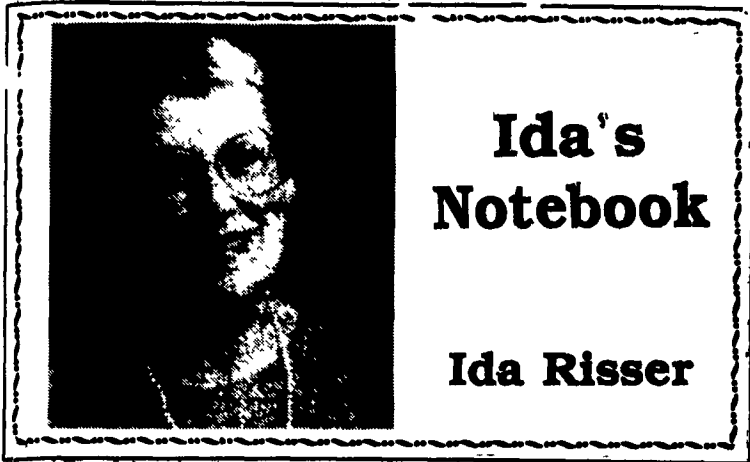
CREAMERY (Montgomery Co.) — The Montgomery County 4-H Fair is scheduled Thursday, August 11 through Saturday,

August 13. Throughout the three days, the public is invited to enjoy outdoor livestock displays and competitions, indoor exhibits of

clothing, foods, crafts, woodworking projects, photography, rockets, animal science, and 4-H club displays.

On Thursday evening, the Daisy Jug Band will perform from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. On Friday evening, there will be a DJ and Country Western dancing from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. On Saturday, The Deep Creek Cloggers will perform at 12 noon. For youth, a horseless horse show, model horse show, Make it and Take It projects, a Tallest Structure Contest, Fun Olympics, and a Pet Show will be highlighted. In addition, you can find out who will be chosen as the Montgomery County Outstanding 4-H'er, meet our scholarship winners, and meet celebrities who will participate in our Celebrity Goat Milking Contest on Saturday. There will also be plenty of food, particularly, the World's Largest Sausage Patty cooked and sold Friday evening, and game booths.

The 4-H Fair is held at the Montgomery County 4-H Center located on Route 113, one mile south of Route 73, near Skippack. The Fair will be open to the public on Thursday, August 11 from 5 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Friday, August 12 from 9 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, August 13 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, call (610) 489-4315. There will be a parking donation of \$3 per vehicle, which includes a Fair catalog.



Ida's Notebook

Ida Risser

Things change so gradually that we hardly realize the difference between now and our childhood unless we really think about it.

On a Sunday long ago our breakfast could not be prepared until we lit the coal stove by using corn cobs dipped in kerosene and then added wood. We often had salted herring for Sunday breakfast as they were part of our year's supply bought in Northeast, Maryland on Ascension Day.

Then we wound our watches in the morning and we had no ringing telephones to answer. Even cars had different names such as Hudson, Studebaker, Pierce-Arrow, and Willys-Knight. My father drove an Overland with running boards, a foot rest in front of the back seat, and a blanket bar. When it rained, we got wet unless he had the celluloid curtains in place.

Even our clothes were different. I wore brown cotton stockings

held up with garters fastened to a bodice. One year I had to wear boy's high-topped shoes to school and I was embarrassed. My mother had some of her Sunday dresses made over for me to wear to school.

Remember those candy cigarettes with one end red as though it were lit. And, doctors who made house calls when the children were sick. Our letters carried three-cent stamps and telegrams had words pasted on strips on the paper.

Now you seldom need an ice pick or see a milk bottle made to collect cream on the top. Few swings are hung on front porches and children play in parks instead of big front yards.

One thing that hasn't changed is the joy that children get in catching fireflies at nighttime. Our grandchildren, who visited us recently, ask for a jar to put them in as they have very few of these insects near their home in Georgia.



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Pleasure Of Roses

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detailed diagrams on how to prune at different seasons. Ask for these free handouts, but here are a few tips.

Summer pruning, generally in July, is the best time to prune the oldest canes while leaving approximately the same amount of new canes to take their place.

The rule of thumb for pruning weak, diseased or small plants, prune the cane down from the spent flower to the first set of leaves (usually three leaflets). On strong plants, prune the rose down to the first set of five leaflets where the stem is at least the size of a pencil.

Careful pruning must be maintained, but be careful because a rose bush that is severely pruned will revert to its original state

rather than the hybrid if the grafted part is severed.

Remove injured or thin stems. Pruning supplies needed:

- pruning shears
- long-handled lopping shears
- small pruning saw
- leather gardening gloves.

Do not use anvil type shears as it crushed stem rather than giving a clean cut.

Keep shears sharp and cut at 45-degree angle. A clean cut heals quickly and reduces the possibility of diseases entering the stems.

If you grow or want to begin to grow roses, check with your county extension office for fact sheets on topics related to growing roses, pruning, pests, and disease control. The information is free and extremely informative.

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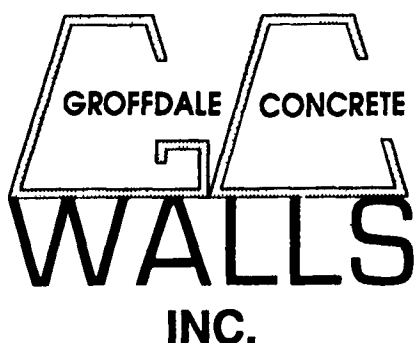
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