

Ag Progress Is "Hot" Spot For Information, Ideas, New Products, Education And More

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Harvey Harman weaves twine into a basket. He said that his basket-weaving techniques are basically the same as his great grandfather's, who had lived in the Appalachia Mountains. He uses elm, pine, shumach, maple and mulberry to weave and also makes bark baskets like the American Indians.



These three men are pleased with their trip to Ag Progress every year. Otto Ammer of Mercer County said, "We farm 600 acres of grain. We come to see what's new and get lots of technical information. A lot of factory reps are here and they are more knowledgeable than field salesmen. We were having trouble with a baler for over a year and couldn't find the problem. Today we talked to a factory rep who knew exactly what's wrong and what to do about it. Now all we need to do is go home and see if he knew what he's talking about. That alone is well worth the trip." At left is Otto's brother Jim, and a son George is at right.



Allensville dairy farmers who come to Ag Progress almost every year are Mark and Erma Byler and sons Derrick, 4, and Benjamin, 8 weeks.



Equine educational programs taught visitors how to handle and train horses and provided horse demonstrations, presentations, and clinics.



Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Natalie Welch shares an ice cream sticker with Jennifer Coppelino, 11, from State College.



Joan Mellott gives a llama a smooch. The llamas attract crowds who admire the silky hair and beauty of the gentle animals.



Dawn Krautter from Pike County relaxes in a lawn chair by her car. After a break, she returns to take in more Ag Progress events, which covers 500 acres with educational and commercial exhibits, tours, and machinery demonstrations.



Four-year-old David Florry and his 2-year-old brother Christopher were excited about the balloons they received in the Farm Bureau building. Their dad Clarence Florry works at Penn State.