

# Farm Show Expands Family Living And Learning Center

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) - The Pennsylvania Farm Show's Family Living and Agricultural Learning Center, formerly the Family Corner, has expanded with two stages featuring simultaneous educational and entertainment presentations, according to Agriculture Secretary Samuel E. Hayes Jr.

"The additional stage allows for more Pennsylvania educators and craftspeople to promote their agriculture-related activities, such as weaving and quilt making, as well as agriculture products, such as emu and wine," Hayes said.

Family Living and Agricultural Learning demonstrations will be held Monday through Thursday on the Upper level of the Northeast Building. Demonstrations include quilting, spinning and weaving, cooking, lace making, branch carving, old-fashioned toys and games for children, floral design, and corn husk art.

Monday's theme, Chef Day, pays tribute to the 296, 984 men and women from Pennsylvania's 19,701 restaurants and food ser-

vice operations. Students from various schools will prepare foods using Pennsylvania products such as mushrooms, pork, trout, eggs and emu.

A mini-course on beekeeping will be presented by active members of the Capital Area Beekeepers Association. All aspects of beekeeping will be discussed in their presentation at 6 p.m. Monday.

Tuesday's theme highlights the Pennsylvania floral industry. Floriculture is a half-billion-dollar industry in Pennsylvania. Stage presentations include: how to select and care for quality floral products; floral designs; and how to care for house plants.

Wednesday is a salute to Pennsylvania's youth—the future of Pennsylvania agriculture. As a vital component of today's society, youth organizations such as 4-H and FFA play an important role in creating the future by providing positive opportunities for young people. There will be a variety of FFA and 4-H demonstrations, an ice cream-making contest, and the

Apple Core Band, back by popular demand for two performances.

Activities in the Family Living and Agricultural Learning Center conclude on Thursday with the final demonstration by Shaver's Creek Environmental Center, Old Time Country Folk and Bluegrass Music by Jay Smar,

and the third annual Micro-Pong Tournament.

The Family Living and Agricultural Learning Center also features commercial exhibitors, farm and home displays, and apple pie and chocolate cake winners. It is just one acre of the 16 acres under one roof at the 82nd Pennsylvania Farm Show.

The Farm Show is free and

open to the public. The hours are 8 a.m. to 9 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 10, through Wednesday, Jan. 14. On Thursday, Jan. 15, the show closes at 4 p.m. Parking is available at the 60-acre complex for \$5 per vehicle. There are handicap accessible entrances to the building along the north and south entrances and in front of the large arena.

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