

Twenty Years Baking Pies For Farm Show Competitions

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says, turning a pint jar filled with a variety of vegetables. "This is a good way to use up vegetables at the end of the season."

In addition to eating fresh, Virginia stores potatoes and onions, cans greenbeans, red beets, freezes lima beans and broccoli, and pickled cucumbers with dill. She grows cabbage, sweet corn, and tomatoes. This year, she's added "Long Keeper" tomatoes. She also make applesauce and bakes pies from apples grown on the farm.

"I should grow garlic. I've gotten organic gardening magazines, but don't always get to read them," Virginia says, adding that her brother from Florida stops by each summer to help with the potatoes. "I always grow more than I need, to give away. The girls come in the summer to help."

Virginia and Nelson's daughter, Carol Hobbs, lives in Virginia, while daughter Barbara Vogt lives in Alabama. Barbara paints and papers a room for her mother every summer. Both girls say their mother does too much.

"I grow pumpkins, and gourds,

too. I said I'd grow the gourds if someone else decorates them," Virginia says. "My sister-in-law, Ethel Smith, and Shirley Aurand, help make some into birdhouses. They're good sellers at the bazaar. We made egg-shaped gourds into snowmen. With gourds, you never know what you're going to get."

Virginia also delivers church bulletins to shut-ins, is secretary in the Junior Department at Ellen Chapel Church, and likes to knit and sew. Although the energy from her petite body seems endless, she modestly says she has slowed down considerably.

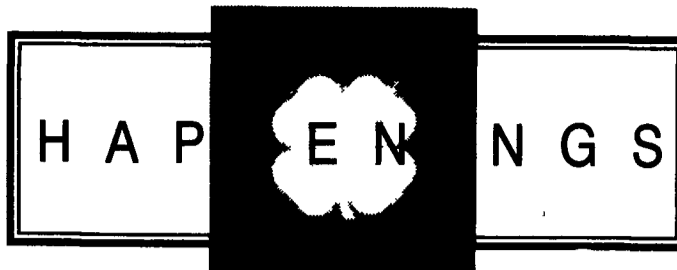
"I'm not a big eater. It keeps me busy filling everyone else up. I'm just glad I have good health, and I feel needed."

Sweet Rolls

- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 6 tablespoons shortening
- 3/4 cup water
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 packs 2 tablespoons dry yeast
- Lukewarm milk
- 2 beaten eggs
- 3 cups flour
- 3 additional cups flour

Scald milk. Add sugar, salt, and shortening and stir. Cool to lukewarm. Measure into bowl water and sugar. Sprinkle with dry yeast. Add lukewarm milk mixture. Add and stir in the beaten eggs. Add and stir in 3 cups of flour. Beat until smooth. Add 3 additional cups of flour. Knead, let rise and shape. Let rise 1/4 to one hour. Bake at 350 for 20 minutes, 10 minutes on the top and 10 minutes on the bottom.

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Elm-Penryn 4-H Club

A monthly meeting of the Elm-Penryn 4-H Community Club is set Monday, Jan. 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Pleasant View Retirement Community, Manheim.

Regularly scheduled club meetings will be held at Pleasant View on the third Monday of the month from January through June from 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m.

Items up for discussion will include the State Farm Show, State 4-H Week/service project, and the County Benefit Auction. The featured speaker for the evening will be Katina Showman, newly appointed county extension agent-4-H

coordinator. Information regarding the addition of cake decorating classes (scheduled to begin Jan. 22) will be made available to any interested 4-H'er.

This meeting is the first of six regularly scheduled monthly meetings included in the attendance requirements of the Elm-Penryn Community Club. Member/parent participation, as well as project leader involvement, are expected at these meetings.

For more information about the Elm-Penryn 4-H Community Club or to register your children for any of the projects offered by the club, contact Cindy Stahl at (717)664-2055.

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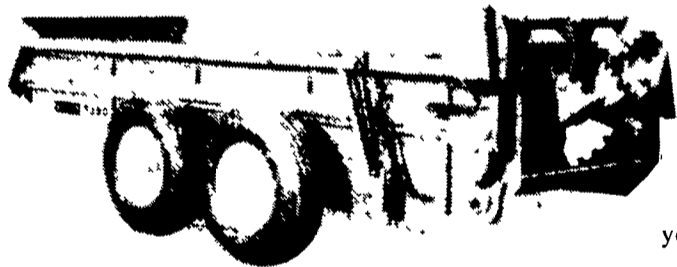
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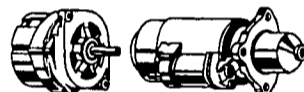
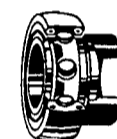
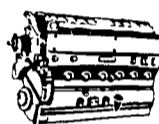
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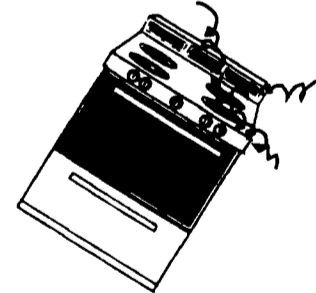
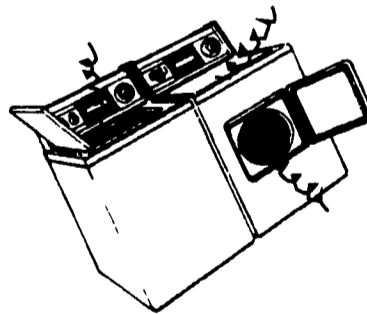
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