Lancaster Extension Buffet Is Celebration Of Service

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Katina Showman was hired in November to be the new 4-H coordinator.

"Through the cooperation of the Lancaster County commissioners, Penn State agreed to match county funds and created an additional 4-H agent position or the county," he said. Lori Little was hired in October to be the new 4-H animal science agent working with embryology, horse, and dairy programs and to coordinate the county ag literacy programs.

The county's Family Living Program has really been growing thanks to the efforts of agent Nancy Wiker. Educational programs were developed in the areas of parenting, child care, financial management, foods and nutrition, and food safety. Six sessions on Parents And Children Together (PACT) parenting series were presented three times the past year,



Chet Hughes talks food with office secretary Neille Cruz along with family strengths extension agent Deb Naumann. Hughes was honored for 15 years of work with the county extension.

Schwartz noted. Seven satellite meetings were held for child care providers to strengthen their caregiving skills.

"Our EFNEP advisers continue to organize Super Cupboards as a way to reach more adults through group instruction," he said.

Participants from church groups, fair stands, group homes, fire companies, and other nonprofit organizations have increased their knowledge about safe food handling practices.

The office numbers 11 full-time professional extension agents. "It takes a highly educated and competent staff to accomplish the (Turn to Page A32)

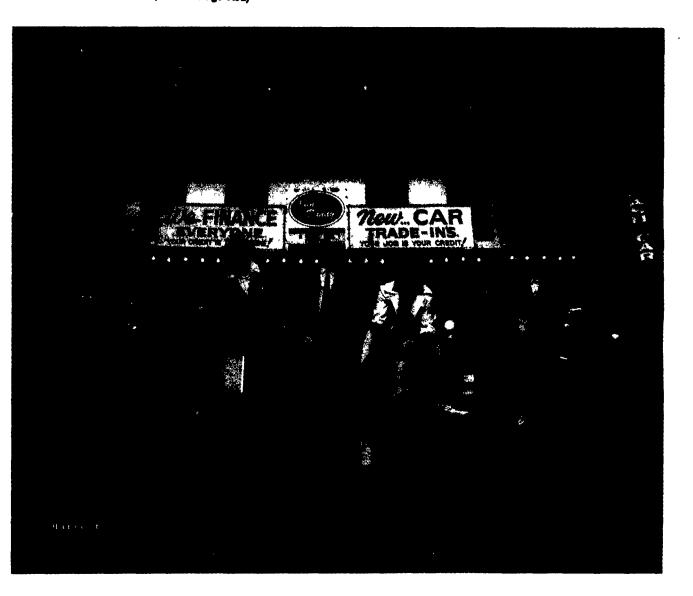


Pork producers served up barbecues and ham loar meatballs. From left, Dorls Wenger, Dawn Witmer, and Tammy Wenger. Food was donated by Gene Wenger's Meats.



Briana Wolgemuth, 8, helps herself at the buffet. Briana is the daughter of Doug and Sherie Wolgemuth, Elizabethtown.





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