

Kids Korner

Fountains For Youth At York Flower Show

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YORK (York Co.) — Erin and Evan Farrell made quick study of their dad's steady supply of coins.

One plop, two plop, three . . .
Both were making lots of wishes as they tossed the coins, heads over tails, into the rippling water.

Then along came Timmy Grim, also from Dover, with some coins.

Close your eyes, make a wish, and toss the coin, kerplunk, into the wishing well. . .

A lot of hopes and dreams came true for many of the children who visited the magical York Garden and Flower Show recently.

When the day opened late last week at the York Fairgrounds, not only did Erin, 5 and Evan, 3 spend time tossing coins. (They were

"helping" their mom and dad, Karla and Vinnie Farrell, Dover, with the family's display.) But other children were also on hand helping parents display the fine flower products from all around.

Daniel Butera was helping mom, Carolyn, and dad, Vince, with their Butera the Florist display at the show. Cheyanne Mills, 10, daughter of Mark and Lori Mills, Cooksburg, helped with flower arrangements at the family display.

And some kids were just along for the ride, sending coins along their magical destiny at a few of the stands.

Not to mention the fountains. Farrell's had a running waterfall. So did other displays. They included Ardell's. Also, the



The Butera family, York, and their display at the recent York Garden and Flower Show. From left, Adriene Russo, employee, holding Matthew Butera, 8 months; Daniel Butera, 11; and Vince Butera.



This umbrella fountain display draws a lot of visitors to the show, courtesy of Hively Farm and Nursery, Dover.

"umbrella" fountain at Hively Farm and Nursery, Dover attracted a lot of visitors. And Miller's Garden Center, Red Lion, also featured a fountain.

While Timmy Grim, 4, son of Tanya Grim, Dover, spent time pitching coins (and concentrating real hard on wishes), Vinnie Farrell spoke about the family's "water landscape" display at the show. Farrell noted that this is the fourth or fifth year of the show, at which they greet hundreds of people through the weekend.

At the Butera display, Daniel, 11, who is home-schooled, helped with the displays. Vince, his dad, said the florist shop sells cut flowers, including fresh and artificial. Vince noted this was his fourth year as an exhibitor and said he'd seen "lots of garden enthusiasts" at the show.

Last year, he said, on Saturday, "this place was packed."

Cheyanne Mills, 10, daughter of Mark and Lori Mills, helped with her family business, which sells a three-tier stackable flower base, made out of hand-crafted glass, containing fresh roses. This is the third or fourth year they've exhibited at the show. They make their home north of Pitsburgh.

Those who attended enjoyed the show, held through March 1.

Visitors included Jodi Nispel,

Windsor, with her daughters Cheridee, 3 and Anjewel, 5. And Janice Thompson, Spring Grove, enjoyed

"tasting the dip at the herb place," she said. She brought along Melissa, 6, and Matthew, 5.



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Janice Thompson, Spring Grove, with Melissa, 6, and Matthew, 5, look at the flower arrangements at the weekend-long York Garden and Flower Show.



Jodi Nispel, Windsor, with daughters Cheridee, 3 and Anjewel, 5, enjoy the exhibits at the recent York Garden and Flower Show.