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ference, Hagerstown, Md., thru April 7.

Monday, April 6
Natural Resources Income Opportunities on Private Lands Conference, Ramada Inn Convention Center, Hagerstown, Md., April 5-7.

1998 Tractor and Farm Machinery Safety Course, Octorara High School, 6:30 p.m.-9 p.m., also April 13, 20, and 27.

Tuesday, April 7
Estate Planning Update and Issues Workshop, Walgreen Company, Lehigh Valley Distribution Center, Bethlehem, 7 p.m.-9:30 p.m., also April 14

and 21.

Wednesday, April 8
4-H County Council Meeting, Extension Office, Towanda, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, April 9
Evening Farm Visit, Penn State Cooperative Extension, Lebanon County.

Lebanon County Spring Promise Sale, Lebanon Area Fairgrounds.

Friday, April 10
Saturday, April 11

Sunday, April 12
Easter

Eastern Llama And Alpaca Festival Set

READING (Berks Co.) — Many unusual and enjoyable experiences await visitors at the 3rd Eastern Llama and Alpaca Festival on May 2 and 3. The fun will take place at Charming Forge Farm, near Reading, Pennsylvania. Over 40 owners of llamas and alpacas from eight eastern states will be on hand to demonstrate all the enjoyable and useful aspects of living with these wonderful animals.

Admission to the two-day event is free and will focus on education and fun for people of all ages. The public is invited to gain hands-on experience with these lovable creatures, as breeders lead demonstrations on how to handle, lead, groom, and care for the animals. There will be "lead a llama" for

the children, as well as an obstacle course. Spinners and weavers can learn about llama and alpaca fiber from leading experts who will be speaking and demonstrating each day.

Saturday, May 2 will be ANIMAL AWARENESS DAY. This day will be focused on those animals, big or small, who are less fortunate than others. Donations will be accepted all day long, ending with a special performance from WIOV - Country 105. DJs will be participating in obstacle course races, relay races, egg and spoon, and much, much more! It will be an event not to miss! All proceeds will go to local animal shelters. If your company is interested in helping to raise money for the animals, please contact us.

Any and all participation is welcome.

For shoppers, llama-related souvenirs, wool, jewelry, hand-crafted garments, and even some llamas and alpacas will be for sale. Delicious refreshments will be available at reasonable prices.

Festival hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday. Parking and admission are free.

Directions: follow llama signs from: Route 78 — Exit 6 Rehrersburg — Route 419 South; Route 422 in Womelsdorf to Route 419 North; Route 183 in Bernville at "Blue Marsh Ski Area."

If you need more information, call Karen O'Neill (610) 589-5142 or Judy Eberly (717) 949-3790.

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