

# Armstrong County Farm Wins Champion Fleece At Farm Show

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Burkes Little 20 Sheep Farm of Freeport, Armstrong County took top honors in the wool judging competition at the 83rd Pennsylvania Farm Show.

Reserve grand champion went to Frank Davis from Slippery Rock, Butler County, with his reserve champion breed fleece. The wool competition is designed to

encourage the production of better wool, to promote proper handling, grading and preparation for market, and to create an awareness of the many qualities of wool and its uses.

Thomas McIlwain of North Apollo, Armstrong County, contest judge, has been judging wool for nearly 40 years. He looks at how the fleece is tied; the amount

of foreign material in the fleece; the length, strength, and kinks of the staple; and the amount of yellow color, or yolk, in the fleece. He also examines the fleece for second cuts, indicating a mistake

in shearing, and if the wool is in the correct class.

Other winners include Kayley Lin Scott of Pulaski, Mercer County, who won reserve champion farm flock fleece, reserve champion breed fleece, and

champion and reserve champion natural colored fleece. The top county wool exhibit went to Lawrence County. More than 100 fleeces were entered in the competition.

## 'Gooney Stuff'

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### PEANUT BUTTER CREAM TOPPED BROWNIE Third Place

½ cup sugar  
2 tablespoons butter  
2 tablespoons water  
1½ cups semi-sweet chocolate chips  
2 eggs  
½ teaspoon vanilla extract  
¾ cup all-purpose flour  
¼ teaspoon baking soda  
¼ teaspoon salt  
2 teaspoons baking cocoa  
Heat oven to 325 degrees. Grease 9-inch square pan. Combine sugar, butter, and water in saucepan. Cook over low heat until mixture boils. Remove from heat. Add cocoa and chocolate chips; stir until melted. Add eggs and vanilla; beat with spoon until well

blended. Stir together flour, baking soda, and salt; stir into chocolate. Mix. Pour into prepared pan. Bake 25-30 minutes. Cool. Spread peanut butter cream on top. Refrigerate until set. Cut into bars; cover with the following.

**Peanut butter cream:**  
¼ cup butter  
¾ cup peanut butter  
1½ cups confectioners' sugar  
3-4 tablespoons light cream  
Beat together butter and peanut butter. Alternately add powdered sugar and light cream. Beat.  
**Chocolate glaze:**  
2 tablespoons chocolate chips  
2 teaspoons butter or peanut butter cream.

Melt ingredients in microwave for 45 seconds. Drizzle on top of peanut butter cream.

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — "Behold the Power of Cheese" was the theme for the first Pennsylvania Farm Show Creative Cheese Carving Contest at the 83rd Pennsylvania Farm Show.

The event featured the talents of six amateur contestants demonstrating their cheese-carving skills to create a work of art based upon the phrase "Behold the power of cheese."

Each contestant was provided one hour to sculpt an image from a five-pound block of cheese. When the carving was complete, the team of Steve Mohn and Kevin Sattazahn of Berks County was named the winner and received the \$150 first-place prize.

Second place went to the team of Heather Koepf and Laura Santos of Cumberland County who received \$100, and third place

went to Bill Horstman of Washington County who received \$75.

Among the works of cheese were a milk can, a goat, a barn, a "Real Seal" symbol, a train engine, and a football.

Judges for the event were Sue Gleiter of the Harrisburg Patriot News; the PA Dairy Princess Jennifer Dotterer, and Chef Mike DeVeny of the Yorktowne Business Institute.

## Creative Cheese Carving

## Chef's Choice Served At Farm Show

Harrisburg (Dauphin Co.) — Whether you crave the taste of succulent lamb, creamy cheese fondue, or a slice of roasted emu, chefs at the 83rd Pennsylvania Farm Show are guaranteed to satisfy all hungers.

Cooking demonstrations in the Family Living and Agricultural Learning Center at the Farm Show Complex offered dozens of new ways to prepare

some of Pennsylvania's finest agricultural foods.

Chef Michael DeVeny from the School of Culinary Arts at Yorktowne Business Institute kicked off the demonstrations with a new twist on roast lamb. DeVeny commented that overcooking is the most common mistake consumers make when preparing lamb.

Audience members had an opportunity to taste-test five different sauces served with lamb: mint pesto, walnut pesto, pepper jelly, pumpkin seed cream, and mango chutney, the crowd favorite.

In a cooking demonstration devoted to cheese, Chef DeVeny encouraged onlookers to dust off their fondue pots in predicting that "dip dining" will make a comeback this year. This new wave of fondue frenzy includes a greater diversity of ingredients. Audience members sampled such exotic flavors as Honey-Blue Cheese Fondue and Red Pepper-Dill Swiss Fondue.

The cheese fondue demonstration was sponsored by the Pennsylvania Dairy Promotion Program and the Middle Atlantic American Dairy Association.

In another corner of the Farm Show, chefs from the Pennsylvania College of Technology School of Hospitality prepared a flavorful "Pork Roast with Molasses Rub".

The special rub mixture in which the pork loin is marinated includes black peppercorns, coriander seed, molasses, brown sugar, garlic, and orange zest. Smoking and then roasting the meat results in a dark caramelized exterior that enhances the pork flavor.

The Pennsylvania Pork Council, Golden Barrel Molasses, Garland Industries, and the Juniata Stinking Rose Company donated the products used in this event.

A wide variety of other cooking demonstrations, featuring recipes using blackened catfish, mushrooms, vegetable strudel, emu, turkey, and wild game were used throughout Farm Show Week.



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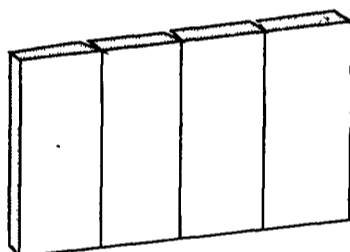
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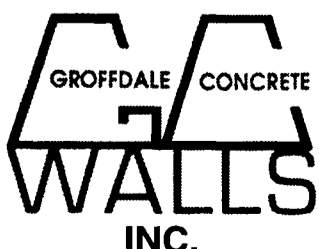
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