



The children of Joe and Buelah Snively—from left, Kelsey, 9; Hillary, 11; and Tyler, 13—are delighted with the truck their grandpa, J. Earl Horst, built to benefit their school. Horst, a retired farmer, designs the same intricate details into the truck that duplicates the Peterbilts he owned in his truck hauling business.

Handcrafted Truck To Go To Highest Bidder

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Lancaster Farming Staff
MANHEIM (Lancaster Co.) — The glistening red cab Peterbuilt with its long white trailer is every trucker's dream.

The fully-loaded truck can be purchased for an undetermined price at Manheim Christian Day School's 24th annual benefit auction, April 29.

J. Earl Horst, who constructed the truck to look like one of three he had owned for his farm truck hauling business, painted the wood so that it appears to be metal rather than wood. Fashioned from oak and cherry woods, the truck includes such details as air horns, steering wheel, air brakes, lights, and other items that were painstakingly painted to imitate the real thing.

The retired New Holland farmer said that he always wanted to dabble in woodwork, but didn't have time until he retired. This is the 18th truck he has built without a pattern since 1990.

"I try to make each one better than the last," Horst said.

Horst gives all his trucks away. Actually he donates them as fundraisers for causes that he believes in. This particular truck will benefit the school where three of his grandchildren attend.

He said, "I really believe in Christian education. This is a way I can help the school."

The truck is only one of hundreds of items made by grandparents, parents, children, and other supporters of Christian education. Quilts, furniture reproductions, and toys are some of the other items that were handmade.

Also to be sold over the auction block are antiques, furniture, dishes, John Deere pedal tractor with wagon and other tractor memorabilia, general merchandise, gift certificates, lawn and garden supplies, shrubbery and plants, Winross trucks, Nascar, and action collectibles.

The auction is well-known for its superb workmanship in quilts. This year's offerings include the following designs: "Rose of Sharon," "Promise You A Rose Garden," "Log Cabin Boston," "Bargello," "Biblical Blocks," "Miniature Country," "Butterfly," "Lancaster Treasure," "Heart of Roses," "Worn Hearts," "Mari-

ner's Compass," "Postage Stamp," "Midnight Sky," "Color Splash," "Mariner's Compass," "Heart's Bouquet," and "Dresden Plate."

A collection of original, limited, and open edition prints include "Winter Quarters," "Knox Bridge," and "Evening in S. Michael," by Richard Bollinger. Also included are "House of Prayer" and "The Country Store" by P. Buckley Moss, "Ricket's Glen," "Solitude," "Challenger" and "Tracks of the Past," by Dan Christ. "The General Sutter Inn," by Debra Smith. Others include "Garden Gate," by Diane Stewart, and "Byerland Mennonite Church," by Jean Ginder.

Additional prints and originals will also be sold from artists such as Walter Patschorke, Marc Hanson, Dan Barthod, Peter Snyder, Erma Wenger, Myrtle Tremby,

Freiman Stoltzfus, Arlene Fisher, and Deborah Watson.

The two-day auction begins with a chicken barbecue dinner, Friday April 28, from 3 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Bidding will begin at 6 p.m.

A country breakfast will be served Saturday, April 29, from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. The auction begins under the main tent at 9 a.m. A secondary auction for lawn and garden supplies and general items will begin at noon and conducted simultaneously during the main auction.

A large variety of food and children's activities will be available throughout the two-day auction.

Manheim Christian Day School is located one mile north of Manheim Square along Rt. 72. Look for the big tents.

For more information, call (717) 665-4300.

Maryland And Pennsylvania Need Dairy Pageant Contestants

col Many counties need contestants for upcoming dairy princess pageants.

Contestants need to be single between the ages of 16-24, whose parents, guardians, or themselves are employed in a dairy-related industry or own at least two animals of the six major dairy breeds.

Younger candidates are also needed for dairy maid, ambassador, and Little Miss positions.

Candidates should be interested in promoting the dairy industry and will receive training in developing speaking ability and self confidence.

Interested candidates in York County should contact Gail Tho-

man at (717) 428-1832.

Lycodines County potential candidates should contact Wanda Derr at (717) 323-4949.

Those from other counties in Pennsylvania who would like to know more about the dairy princess program, should call Jan Harding at (814) 226-7470.

Maryland contestants are also needed. Dairy princess contestants must be between the ages of 16-22 years. Dairy maides between 13-16 years.

For more information about becoming a dairy princess or dairy maid in Maryland, call Patricia or Sarah Bedgar at (410) 357-4296.

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Honor your mother, grandmother, or wife by sending *Lancaster Farming* one of the recipes she makes that you enjoy. Include a few sentences about the person you are honoring. If possible, include a photo of the person, either alone, or with you and your family.

Make sure you include your name and your relationship to the

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Susquehanna County
The Green Grove Community 4-H Club met Saturday, April 8, for its annual reorganizational meeting. The meeting was held in the 4-H room in the basement of Rev. and Mrs. Sherman's home.

The meeting was attended by 16 members. Leaders, parents, and visitors brought the total attendance to 31. After the invocation and pledges, Rev. Sherman introduced the various leaders and projects offered this year. After other introductions, Andrew Myers, Camping and Hiking Leader, led the club in the song, "America."

Following this, 4-H member Mark Musser explained what a 4-H project is, and organizational leader John Sherman gave an overview of the club's plans for the summer. Various members shared their last year's 4-H experiences with the other members.

After each project leader gave an overview of their project, club members and guests enjoyed refreshments provided by Luann Ransom. Then Fernanda Rodriguez received the door prize. The club then collected donations.

New officers were also elected during the meeting. They are as follows: Mark Musser, president; Mike Musser, vice president; Nathaniel Leach, treasurer; and Michael Freund, secretary.

Following the elections, the members visited the various project displays, and the project leaders answered questions. The next meeting will be held on Saturday, April 22, at 9:30 a.m.

Capital Days

4-H'ers from across the state will participate in the Pennsylvania 4-H Capital Days, an annual citizenship awareness event, held May 1 and 2 at the Hilton and Towers in Harrisburg.

The two-day program shows 4-H'ers how state government works and helps them understand their responsibilities as citizens. Through an application process that includes such criteria as interviews and essays, 120 boys and girls were selected to attend.

On Monday, May 1, the students will visit 11 state agencies including the departments of agriculture, transportation, education, and commerce. Following their visits, they will take part in a simulation workshop in which they write grant proposals up to \$100,000 and create a budget related to one of the agencies. The students then will present their proposals to a three-person panel.

At a Monday evening banquet, Pat Wolff, senior director of the American Farm Bureau Federation, will speak to the group about advocacy efforts.

On Tuesday, the 4-H'ers will join 85 legislators at a legislative breakfast. They will be ad-

dressed by Marilyn Corbin, Penn State Cooperative Extension's state program leader for children, youth, and families. Following the breakfast, students will tour the capitol and meet with legislators representing their home counties.

York Co. Goat

The Kiddin' Around Goat Club installed new officers at the January meeting. They are as follows: Sarah Deardorff, president; Brandon Parsons, vice president; Chris Parsons, treasurer; Mary Zoeyler, secretary; Sean Mulrooney, reporter, and Liam Mulrooney, historian.

In February, the club toured a large goat farm. At the March meeting, members discussed the doe chain, and they received their doe chain applications.

In April, the club met at the 4-H center barn to learn showmanship skills and to learn about banding and disbudding. Members discussed plans for future meetings and revised plans for the club picnic.

Cumberland County

The Cumberland County 4-H Dairy Club meeting was held on April 10. President Thomas Harwood called the meeting to order, and roll call was taken by members saying the name of their animal.

In his County Council report, Zach Travis reminded members about the spring hoagie sale and wheat weighing. Jason Nailor gave a report on the PCC Teen Business Seminar. Those who attended were Jason Nailor, Mark Fulton, and Thomas Harwood. Amy Kaucher gave a report on the officers training, while Donald Harwood provided an update on the dairy judging team.

The dairy judging team recently attended the spring judging contest at Penn State. The senior division team included Sarah Day, Amy Kulick, Scott Walton, and Aaron Corman. The team placed fourth, with Sarah Day placing fourth as an individual. Amy Kaucher participated in the intermediate division, while Melissa Detman competed in the junior division contest. She placed sixth.

Kathy Walton reported that insurance for the club needed to be paid, while Thomas Harwood reviewed the new calendar to make sure everything was correct.

Following the meeting Thomas Harwood gave a demonstration, and the club discussed its float for the parade. Members reviewed what items were needed and requested volunteers to help. The next meeting will be held on May 8 at the Stover Farm in Carlisle

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