

When you read this, I'll probably be flying home from a week spent in Indiana with our daughter's family. They have a month-old baby for us to visit. And, we have not seen their new home since they moved last summer.

She has been enjoying her two months off from her work with Procter and Gamble. Their two older boys are anxious to

see their grandparents. You will hear more about our trip later.

The other evening I went with my husband and son to an American Chestnut meeting of the Lancaster-Lebanon region. The members attending were mostly older retired men. They are interested in restoring the American Chestnut tree to the forests of Pennsylvania.

There is a farm in York County, entirely devoted to cross-breeding the Chinese chestnut with the American chestnut to develop a blight-free tree. At one time one out of every four trees in our forests was a chestnut. It's lumber is comparable to redwood or oak lumber and it does not rot. It has a straight grain and grew to 100 feet.

There will need to be several more generations of cross breeding before a blight-free tree is available for sale. Sportsmen like the tree as its ample supply of nuts feed deer, turkey, bear and squirrels. In the early 1900s before the blight struck, railroad cars full of nuts were shipped to the big cities. They were a major cash crop for many families.

Lately, I've been baking a lot of apple cakes. One was for guests in our home. One was for a special apple dessert meeting and another was for a funeral meal at our church. I enjoy baking but I am ready to try another recipe. Maybe, I'll dig out my gingerbread cake recipe from long ago.



**Regional 4-H Horse Production Show**

York County had 14 production horses entered in the Regional 4-H Horse Production Show at Shippensburg Fairgrounds in August.

The 4-H Horse Production project requires members to work with young horses so they experience aspects of care and training involved with raising horses.

Blue ribbon winners were Billie Jo Augustine, Lewisberry, Appaloosa, yearling gelding; B.J. Dabler, Dover, hunter type horse colt/gelding of this year; Samantha Dunn, English 4-year-old pleasure futurity; Katie Griffith, York, Palomino yearling filly; Krista Lynn Healy, Glenville, thoroughbred filly of this year; Leanne Healy, Glenville, hunter type pony filly of this year; Danielle Shaffer, York, paint yearling gelding and English 3-year-old pleasure futurity; Brandon Shank, Mechanicsburg, Arabian yearling filly; and Jennifer Stanley, Windsor, Pony of Americas yearling filly.

Red ribbon winners were Kristen Hauser, Dillsburg, English 3-year-old pleasure futurity; Christina Howard, Hanover, Appaloosa 2-year-old gelding and western 2-year-old pleasure futurity; and Franziska Valerio, Harrisburg, English 4-year-old pleasure futurity.

The blue ribbon winners will be competing in classes at the Pennsylvania State 4-H Horse Show, Oct. 27-29 at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

Classes begin each day at 8 a.m.

**Delaware County 4-H Archery Club**

The Delaware County 4-H Archery Club will be reorganizing for the new year Monday, Nov. 6, from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. at Middletown Archery, Media. New members are welcome.

It is requested that new members first take one private lesson (\$10) at Middletown before joining. This is to learn basic safety and skills and to insure that they enjoy the sport.

According to Judy V. MacRone, county extension agent/4-H, meetings will be Mondays from 6 p.m.-7 p.m. at Middletown Archery. (If there is a large turnout, there will also be a group from 4:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.) The fee for each meeting will be \$5 to cover the cost of the professional instruction and the use of the equipment and facilities.

If you are interested in joining, contact July MacRone at the 4-H office, (610) 690-2655 or Grace Gilbert at Middletown Archery, (610) 566-8092 to schedule a private lesson.

**Lebanon County 4-H'ers Honored At Achievement Night**  
The Lebanon County 4-H program

honored members who have excelled in their project activities during 4-H Achievement Night Oct. 9, at the Lebanon Valley Agricultural Center.

Honor 4-H'er awards, which recognize the efforts and achievements of the top 4-H'ers in each age level, were presented. The following members were chosen as "Honor 4-H'ers" for the year 2000: 8-year-olds, Kelly Hawkins, Marah Light; 9-year-olds, Anastasia Beard, Kelly Matthews, Brooke Umberger; 10-year-olds, Rachel Siegel, Sarah Wagner, Mary Ellen Whitmoyer, Karissa Yoders; 11-year-olds, Chelsea Beard, Andrea Jones, Daniel Rittle, Chris Werner; 12-year-olds, Dustin Blauch, Erin Peavy, David Rittle, Emily Whitmoyer; 13-year-olds, Michelle Campbell, Janel Derr, Mandy Platt, Danielle Verna; 14-year-olds, Heather Hawkins, Susan Leed, Jennifer Wagner, Alex Werner; 15-year-olds, Andrea Leuenberger, Rebecca Light, Nathan Tice, Jennifer Watson; 16-year-olds, Katie Derr, Nicole Platt; 17-year-olds, Valeria Bomgardner, Ann Leed, Anna Light, Joseph Tice; and 18-year-old, Amy Habecker.

Kendal Reist, Lebanon, was honored as the recipient of the Susan Heilinger Werner Memorial Award, presented to an outstanding 4-H dairy club member. Alex Werner, North Mountain 4-H Club, and Nicole Platt, Avon-East Lebanon 4-H Club, received the Teen Leadership awards.

The following five clubs were named to the Community Service Honor Roll, Falconettes 4-H Club, Bellegrove Clovers 4-H Club, Myerstown Designers 4-H Club and Latigo 4-H Club.

Winners of the County Club Contest were Latigo 4-H Horse Club and North Mountain 4-H Club.

Outstanding achievement in the Fashion Revue contest was presented to junior members Rachel Siegel, Brooke Umberger, Mollie Knauss, Marah Light, Emily Ziegler, and Karissa Yoders. Senior fashion revue winners included Valerie Bomgardner, Rachel Krall, Anna Light, Rebecca Light, Emilee Knauss, Nicole Platt, Alexis Zackey, and Lindsay Shirk.

Winners of the county club officers contest included president, Michelle Campbell, Lebanon County Rabbit 4-H Club, secretary, Ann Leed, Beef Club; and news reporter, Ann Leed, Lebanon County Sheep Club.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a 4-H member or adult volunteer, contact Lebanon County Cooperative Extension at (717) 270-4391.

**Cumberland County Wide 4-H Dairy Club**

The Cumberland County Wide 4-H Dairy Club meeting conducted Oct. 9, with Vice President Amy Kulick calling

the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

The club welcomed two new members.

Under old business, Zach Travis provided a County Council report. Everyone that went to the state junior show and showmanship contest described their experience. John Ocker provided a report on the leader's meeting.

Under new business, the club formed a committee to select a boy and a girl's name from the K-Mart Christmas Giving Tree. Kathy Walton reminded everyone to sign up for refreshments, demonstrations, and program suggestions. Then the club conducted election of new officers. New officers are Zach Travis, president; vice president, Melissa Detman; recording secretary, Greg Hammond; corresponding secretary, Aaron Cornman; treasurer, Tori Fuller; news reporter, Janel Zinn; and Mariah Panyter, game leaders.

The club included two demonstrations by Janel Zinn and Brian Nailor. Janel's was on "Which Bran Has More Raisins." Brian's was on the Dillsburg Fair. He described all the events scheduled for the fair.

**Warren County 4-H Members To State 4-H Horse Show**

Nine Warren County 4-H horse club members will be participating in the Pennsylvania State 4-H Horse Show, Oct. 27-29 at the Farm Show Complex in Harrisburg.

Participants have competed at the county and an eight-county northwest district show to earn the honor of being in the state show, according to Phyllis Wright, extension agent.

Adrienne Lowe of Bear Lake and Sugar Grove Ruff Riders will show her production horse Lil Miss Madison in 4-year-old English pleasure futurity class and Special Dee Bar's Sly in stock seat equitation senior division. She is the daughter of Rick and Diane Lowe.

Kahlee Maynard of Corry and Columbus Wranglers will show a filly of this year in the paint production class. She is the daughter of Shawn and Kim Maynard.

Kelly Portice of Corry — Columbus Wranglers Club will show Hilton's Mariah in filly of this year Morgan class and Hilton's Larissa Lu in 3-year-old English pleasure futurity class. She is the daughter of Ed and Kay Portice.

Patrick Wright of Russell and Starbrick Stables will show Hilton's Challenger in raised box keyhole pointer. He is the son of Denny Wright of Bear Lake and Gail Wright of Russell.

**SEE YOUR NEAREST**



**NEW HOLLAND**

**DEALER FOR DEPENDABLE EQUIPMENT & SERVICE**

**PENNSYLVANIA**

**Abbottstown, PA**  
Messick Equipment  
RD 1, Box 255A  
717-259-6617

**Honey Grove, PA**  
Norman D. Clark & Son, Inc.  
Honey Grove, PA  
717-734-3682  
Loysville, PA  
717-789-3117

**Annville, PA**  
BHM Farm Equipment, Inc.  
RD 1, Rte. 934  
717-867-2211

**New Holland, PA**  
A.B.C. Groff, Inc.  
110 South Railroad  
717-354-4191

**Carlisle, PA**  
R&W Equipment Co.  
35 East Willow Street  
717-243-2686

**Pitman, PA**  
Schreffler Equipment  
Pitman, PA  
570-648-1120

**Elizabethtown, PA**  
Messick Equipment  
Rt. 283 - Rhæm's Exit  
717-367-1319

**Tamaqua, PA**  
Charles S. Snyder, Inc.  
R.D. 3  
570-386-5945

**Greencastle, PA**  
Meyers Implements, Inc.  
400 North Antrim Way  
717-597-2176

**West Grove, PA**  
S.G. Lewis & Son, Inc.  
352 N. Jennersville Rd.  
610-869-2214  
1-800-869-9029

**Halifax, PA**  
Sweigard Bros.  
R.D. 3, Box 13  
717-896-3414

**MARYLAND**

**Frederick, MD**  
Ceresville Ford New Holland, Inc.  
Rt. 26 East  
301-662-4197  
Outside MD, 800-331-9122

**Hagerstown, MD**  
Antietam Ford Tractor, Inc.  
2027 Leitersburg Pike  
800-553-6731  
301-791-1200

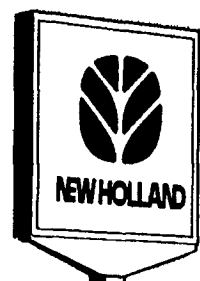
**Rising Sun, MD**  
Ag Industrial Equipment  
Route 1, 50 N. Greenmont Rd.  
1-800-442-5043

**NEW JERSEY**

**Washington, NJ**  
Smith Tractor & Equip., Inc.  
15 Hillcrest Ave.  
908-689-7900

**Bridgeton, NJ**  
Leslie G. Fogg, Inc.  
Canton & Stow Creek Landing Rd.  
609-451-2727  
609-935-5145

**Woodstown, NJ**  
Owen Supply Co.  
Broad Street & East Avenue  
609-769-0308



**NEW HOLLAND Credit Company**