

**Ida's  
Notebook**  
by  
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July is a vacation month. Two families drove from Atlanta, Georgia to spend some time with us. We had a full house for a week.

Some of the seven grandchildren, who were here, helped to put more than 100 big round hay bales in the barn. Later they played hide and seek there. Even though the grandchildren ate and slept here they spent most of the time on the farm with the animals. The girls especially liked to

play with the kittens. Our grandchildren have grown a lot in the last year and are taller than us.

Instead of two of us sitting at the kitchen table, we had more than a dozen at two tables. We had a full kitchen with three women making three different dishes. And, a cousin from Arizona stopped in one noontime for a short visit. She generously gave us a five-pound box of chocolates. At least there were plenty of people to share them.

Air mattresses in the basement helped with sleeping arrangements. The coffee pot was going most of the day as some people love their coffee. My husband likes root beer, and I like water. One meal was eaten at a restaurant in Lancaster. That was a treat for us as I cook meals at home when we are alone.

Our guests worked hard for their food as we now have our garden rototilled, the raspberry patch trimmed, and many weeds removed too. However, we found some time to just sit and visit. Usually our visiting is via telephone.

Over the weekend our son had a pig roast and invited his fellow employees, neighbors, and his siblings. About 20 of our family were able to attend. The meat was delicious and there was ample food served on a farm wagon as a table. The week passed quickly.

**Lancaster County 4-H Members  
Participate In Presentation Night**

LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — The Lancaster County 4-H Presentation Night was conducted June 11 at the Farm and Home Center. Thirty-two 4-H members participated with presentation and speech topics ranging from horses to cows, road trips, baby-sitting and orienteering.

A visual communication division also showcased poster and photography exhibits that included topics on "Pennsylvania Mountain Flowers" and "Washington, D.C."

Judges for the evening were Mabel Hershey, Marietta; Luke Brubaker, Mount Joy; Paula Kosh, Ephrata; Laura Schmalhoffer, Leola. Neil Vestermark and Lisa Hershey were room chairs assisting the judges.

The 4-H Fair will take place Aug. 8, 9 and 10 at the Elizabethtown Fairgrounds. The presentations will be given Wed., Aug. 7, at 8 p.m. There will also be various exhibits, shows and demonstrations. There is no fee

to attend.

4-H members who participated in Presentation Night 2002 include: Reid Fellenbaum of Boots and Saddles; Bonnie Johnson, Elizabeth Riden, Emily Riden of Conestoga Valley Community Club; Cody and Katie Andrews, and Colton and Kelly King of Dairy Beef; Erik Nussbaum and Jay R. Snyder of Ephrata-Cocalico Community Club; Jessica Hargenrater and Deborah Henson of Garden Spot Community Club; Heidi Smith and Katrina Smith of Penn Manor Community Club; Natalie Cutugno of Rough Riders; Courtney Bamford, Jessie Barker, Daniel Cargill, Hannah Cargill, Austin Good, Rachel Shenk and Stephanie Withkowski of Saddle Cinches; LaDessa Aument, Devan DeBeneditto, Freddy Frey, Katrina Frey, Lori Hess, Mandie Holloway, Christine Keefer, Clara Osborne, Gwen Osborne and Kate Osborne of Solanco Community Club.

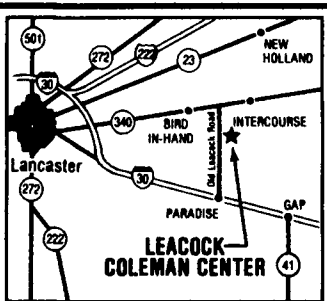
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**Capital Region 4-H  
Fashion Revue Winners**

CARLISLE (Dauphin Co.) — Four-H in the Capital Region recently celebrated a "Century of Fashion" in activities held in Carlisle. The event was the culmination of the 4-H Textile Science project year. Sixty-eight 4-H

youth from Adams, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Lancaster, Lebanon and York counties participated.

Workshops for the youth included tin punch, "Costuming Fun", "Bone Up on Calcium", "Do You Love to Sew?" and "Details Make the Difference". Other activities included judging and stage rehearsal for the fashion show presented that evening.

4-Hers won honors for their projects and showmanship skills. Senior winners were Erin Davis and Kate Martin from Adams County, Lindsay Burkhart, Elizabeth Criswell, Mandie Holloway, Holly Hoover, Betsy Ranck, and Rachael Rank from Lancaster County, Matthew Reichard and Melinda Reichard from Franklin County, and Beth Parrish from York County.

These youth will now compete in the State Achievement events at Penn State University July 31, at Eisenhower Auditorium.



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