

# Convention Sets Record

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Robinson, McDonald, president of the Washington County Fair. Lee has served his fair for the past 40 years and was awarded the Ameri-

can Heritage Award by the International Association of Fairs and Expositions in 2002. In PSACF he has served on nearly every committee and has been a board member for 11 years.

Re-elected to the office of secretary/treasurer is Bruce Koppenhaver, CFE, Gratz, his eighth year as PSACF Secretary/Treasurer. In 2002 he was awarded the Outstanding Association Secretary by the International Association of Fairs and Expositions.

The trade show at the convention was the largest ever, featuring

140 booths. The variety of displays included ribbon companies, musical entertainment, hand wash stations and racing pig shows.

The educational component of the convention included both seminars and 31 roundtables.

Two entertainment showcases were conducted. A total of 21 acts performed to a full house. Many fairs do the booking for their stages at this event.

The Pennsylvania State Showmen's Association also elected officers at their annual meeting during the convention. Elected to the office of president was James Daugherty, Connellsville. James is chosen each year to represent their the owner-operator of carnival Fayette Amusements.

Elected to the office of vice-chair is the Eastern Chapter Chairman, Mary Ojevich, Warrior Run, Pa.

She and her husband operate jewelry concessions at fairs. Reappointed secretary is Beverly Gruber, New Tripoli, Donna Kramer, Reinholds, was also reappointed treasurer. Donna operates food and games concessions.

One of the highlights of the convention is the communication awards. A total of 147 entries were judged. This represented 39 fairs across the state. Fayette County was the Best of Show winner this year. John and Hazel Blaney, Percers at their annual meeting during ryopolis, served as committee chairs.

Two outstanding individuals are chosen each year to represent their organizations. The Fair Person of the Year was Lee Robinson, McDonald. The PSSA Showman of the Year was Jeanie Sieffert, Monroeville.

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## Elections, Entertainment Part Of Farm And Home Foundation's Meeting

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LANCASTER (Lancaster Co.) — The 39th annual meeting of the Farm and Home Foundation of Lancaster County drew more than 100 guests to the banquet and subsequent meeting at the Farm and Home Center.

During the business meeting, officers conducted an election for new directors, who include Doris Bewley, Larry Groff, Lois Harnish, Jim Kettering, Robert J. Kindig, Lloyd Welk, and Paul M. Wolgemuth Jr.

Leon Ressler, director of Lancaster cooperative extension, updated the audience about the seven \$1,000 scholarships that were awarded to several area students.

These scholarships, from the Farm and Home Center Foundation, are awarded for one year but can be renewed if the students maintain a 3.0 grade point

ings.

Landscaping projects for the grounds are also ongoing, and a new sign was added at the end of the road to help visitors find their way to the building.

Mark Cunningham, associate administrator of COBYS, gave the audience an overview of the organization.

The family service organization, said Cunningham, began in 1980 as Church of the Brethren Youth Services (COBYS) to help at-risk youth. Now the organization works with not only youth but also organizes foster care, has an adoption unit, and offers counseling and family life education. COBYS also operates a group home for teenage mothers.

We continue to look for good Christian foster homes willing to take children, Cunningham said. Last year the organization helped 100 children with the foster care program.

A new adoption program final-



**Officers completing their terms include J. Robert Kindig Jr., vice president; Linda Esbenshade, secretary; John Moose, president; and Paul Wolgemuth, treasurer.**

average and stay in the agricultural or home economic-related major.

Besides the seven new scholarship winners, extensions were given to 14 previous scholarship winners. Applications for the next round of scholarships will soon be mailed to high school guidance counselors.

The application is also available by calling the Farm and Home Center's office at (717) 394-6851.

John Moose, foundation president, summarized the past year at the Farm and Home Center. Major building renovations were completed last winter and into spring as office space was moved or more office space was given to existing tenants.

The former conference room has now been changed to offices and a new conference room is located in the basement. The room includes phone and DSL hookup in meeting rooms that are available for rent for business meet-

ized 22 adoptions last year. Three full-time caseworkers are in the adoption department.

In addition, six girls reside in the group home at one time, said Cunningham.

COBYS also takes their family life education to schools and workplaces, teaching skills for parents.

Businesses, churches, grants, and the county fund the organization.

Cunningham was a part of the Juggling Syncopation entertainment that included Phil Hershey and Andrew Brubaker.

The Farm and Home Center is a multipurpose facility that houses such organizations as the Lancaster County Cooperative Extension, USDA, Natural Resource Conservation Service Lancaster County Conservation District, and Brentwood Builders.

Since opening in 1968, the building has hosted about 35,000 meetings conducted by a wide variety of organizations.



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