

Amazing Maize Maze Celebrates America's Centennial Of Flight

PARADISE (Lancaster Co.) — First Flight Centennial celebrations are planned across the U.S. The absolute corniest is in Lancaster County at Cherry-Crest Farm, where the Eighth Annual Amazing Maize Maze will salute "100 EARS of Flight." The gigantic recreation of the The Wright Flyer — carved in a 5-acre field of corn — will have 2.5 miles of paths that wind in, through, and around the famous biplane, sun, and clouds. The goal is to find Orville Wright, who is portrayed waving to his brother Wilbur as he takes the air for the very first time.

Open July 5 through Nov. 1, Cherry-Crest Farm offers a full roster of family activities in three venues — the Barnyard, the Courtyard, and the 100 EARS of Flight maze. In the maze there are "easy" and "difficult" options. There's music and a script, scenic bridges, hidden clues and Kernels of Knowledge, and a puzzle map that helps find the quickest way out. There are two flight Controllers to answer questions and keep visitors on track. Diversions along the way include the new Wingwalk, Cargo Chute, Wright Wind Tunnel and Barn

Door Shuttle, the Space Misting Station (a fun place to cool off), Inflight Cafe, and lots more.

Other activities include the Courtyard which features the Furry Friends petting farm starting a new Goat Mountain. In addition there is the Hands-On Farm-Ed Center with interactive displays like a milking cow, live baby chicks hatchery, and observation bee hive, an enlarged Kid's Corral for outdoor play, and the Rain Room. A farm tour wagon ride includes guided tours of the 175-acre working cattle and poultry operations.

On the adjoining hillside is the Barnyard with its Hay Jump Tent, Hay Tunnel, Corn Crib, Pumpkin Slinger and Giant Hay Chute Slide, a new Hay Fort, and a scenic farm-view walk that meanders through the Wonders of Flight floral artwork (mural of a single engine plane in flight created out of 17,000 red, white, and blue petunias). In between there are three Logic Mazes (fun for the little ones), Rubber Ducky Water Race, plus food and picnic areas.

Special events are also scheduled, from a Kids Pedal Tractor Pull to Dairy, Corn and Conser-

vation Exhibitions, Saturday Harvest Roundup Festivals, Maze Madness Mania on Labor Day and Columbus Day weekends (includes Saturday moonlight and holiday daytime mazes), plus a "Pick-Your-Own-To-Take-Home" Fall Farmers Market.

Maze summer hours (July 5-Aug. 31) are: Tuesday-Thursday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday-Saturday 10 a.m. until dusk. Fall hours (Sept. 5-Nov. 1, including all holiday Mondays) are: Friday-Saturday 10 a.m. until dusk. Last entrance to the maze is 90 minutes prior to closing. Cherry-Crest Farm is closed Sundays and Mondays.

Admission to the farm which includes the maze, all activities in the barnyard and courtyard, and parking, is \$10.75 for adults (age 12 and over), \$8.75 for kids age 5 to 11, and \$6.75 for kids age 3-4. Children age 2 and under are admitted free of charge. A Railroad/Farm Combo Pass for a ride on the Strasburg Railroad steam train and admission to Cherry-Crest Farm is available on-line and on-site.

For more information and a free brochure contact: Cherry-Crest Farm, 150 Cherry Hill Road, Ronks, PA 17572. Telephone: (717) 687-6843. Fax: (717) 687-8143. Or check the web at www.cherry-crestfarm.com.

Ida's Notebook by Ida Risser



Summer is the time to start to harvest things from our gardens. There are beans to pick and red beets to pull. The peas lasted into July. When I pick them in the hot sun, I look forward to sitting on the back porch and hulling them. Gradually I'm filling my freezers again as they were quite empty. However, we do have quite a bit of fruit from last year — mostly black raspberries and applesauce.

Our daughter and grandchildren visited us for a few days. They drove from Atlanta in one day. While they were here, we picked sour cherries and canned peaches that they brought from South Carolina. Judy also made peach jam which she gave away. The youngest girl was a tree

climber and picked cherries that the others could not reach.

We also found time to visit some relatives. One lives in a retirement community and has a garden too. He told us that a groundhog ate their heads of cabbage. My cabbage does not even have heads although we've been eating broccoli.

As one of our cars has a split front seat, our daughters managed to get Allen into the car so that he need not lay in the back seat. One son thought he was funny when he told me that I should take out the windshield, and then he could put his leg straight through it. If you cannot laugh about a situation, you might cry about it.

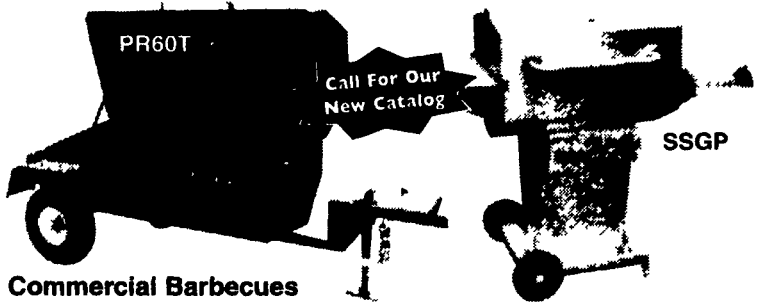
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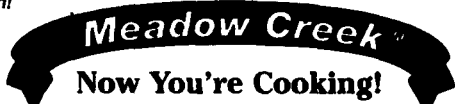


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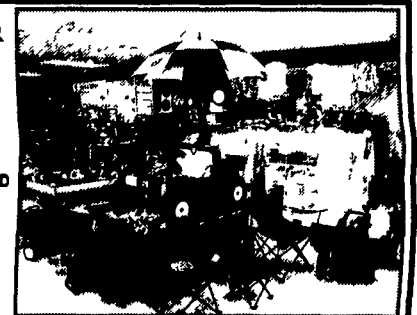
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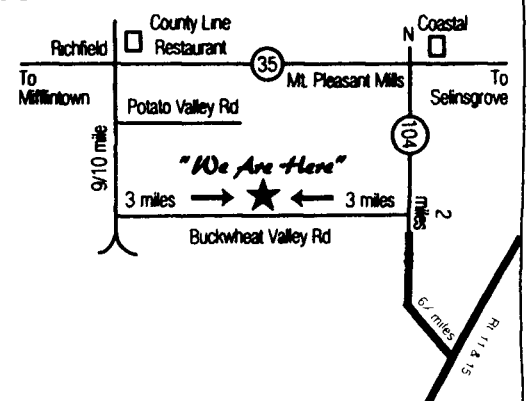
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