

# Fairground Reps Seek County, Town Help

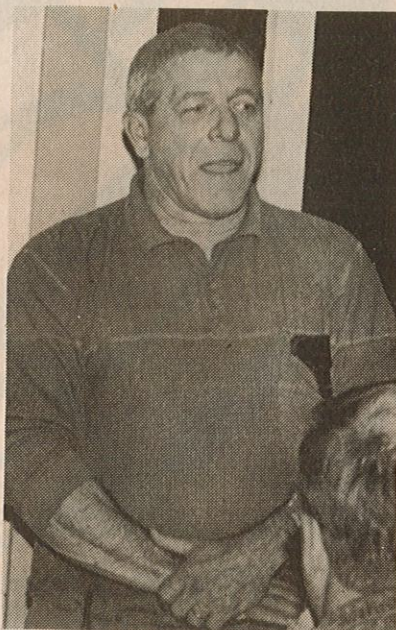
By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

GAINES — The Orleans County 4-H Fairgrounds needs a boost from local towns and villages to stay in shape for future fairs, fair representative told area officials earlier this week.

Dan Culver and Walter Batt, representing the 4-H Fair Board, spoke before the Orleans Supervisors and Legislators meeting Tuesday evening, asking for their cooperation in fixing up the fairgrounds.

"The fair has started to grow in leaps and bounds. The only way to increase the number of people coming in is to fix up and beautify it," said Batt.

The two asked that county and town highway departments be permitted to haul dirt into the fairgrounds this summer, to assist with the construction of a planned cattle barn. The barn, to be built south of the ground's livestock barn, is needed to handle a growing number



David Culver  
of exhibitors at the annual fair, they said.

The fill has already been offered by an area farmer, they said. Approximately 200 loads of dirt will be needed to complete the project, which can be completed within a single day if enough trucks are made available.

Culver and Batt have also requested that the municipalities assist similar efforts to repair driveways and the south parking lot.

"We can't improve the grounds without you people," Batt told the officials.

The pair said plans have already been made to expand the fair. Next year, a new carnival owner will operate during the annual fair, offering 18 rides for a variety of age groups.

"Eventually, what we're looking for is expanding the fairgrounds," Batt added.

"We have to have a lot of support," Culver said. "All I am doing is asking permission for the highway departments to help."

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## Office For Aging Offers Long Term Care Insurance Seminar

More and more people are looking at Long Term Care Insurance when engaged in retirement planning. As many people don't start planning early enough for their retirement income, the same is true about planning for their health care needs. The earlier the better in both cases.

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The "Give a Hoot Earth Day Celebration" in Brockport yesterday included an Orleans County 4-H Club display of rabbits such as Heidi, above center. Jessica Wright, left, and Tim Tower, both 13, and others educated people about proper care of their pets. At right, landscaping student Mark Dewey of Greece shows Hamlin siblings Drew, 6, and Ashley Lowery, 8, how to seed, transfer and plant pansies. Pottery, basketry and more also were demonstrated.





# 4-H Fair Board Requests Highway Depts. Help In Moving Fill For Barn

By TOM RIVERS

GAINES — The Orleans County 4-H Fair Board said the fair is getting bigger every year, but for it to keep growing, it needs the help of the county and town governments.

"We can't improve the grounds without the help of you people," Assistant Fair Manager Walter Batt told local government officials during the county Supervisors and Legislators Association meeting March 25 at the Village Inn. "It's for all the youth in the county... The more (the fair) grows, the happier we'll be."

Batt and Fair Manager Dan Culver sought assistance from the eleven highway departments in the county to help move fill for the new cattle barn at the fairgrounds in Knowlesville.

The fair's new \$38,000 cattle barn is slated to be constructed by the 1998 fair, Culver said. Before construction can begin, the site for the barn needs fill. Pete Nesbitt has donated fill from his property on Pine Hill Road in Barre. Culver said engineers estimated it would take 200 truck loads to transport the fill.

"The Fair Board will pay a lot of money to move the fill unless the towns' and county highway departments help move the fill," he said, emphasizing that the fair is run by volunteers.

The Fair Board would like the fill to be moved after Aug. 1 because tents will be occupying the cattle barn's future site before August.

Former Town of Clarendon Supervisor Geary Schenk suggested that the Fair Board send letters to all of the mayors and town supervisors in the county explaining the request for help.

There weren't any mayors from the four villages present, and only about five of the 10 towns had representatives at the meeting.

Kendall Town Supervisor John Becker said the highway departments' efforts should be coordinated so no departments are overworked.

Orleans County Legislature Chairman Marcia Tuohey said the letter should be sent as soon as possible so the highway departments can schedule the project.

The fill could probably be moved in one day, Culver said.

He also asked the officials for help in repairing the roads at the fairgrounds, which he said are filled with potholes and present safety concerns to elderly fairgoers who walk on the roads.

Culver and Batt also reported to the officials that a new contractor has been hired for the fair's carnival. They said the contractor for the past two fairs was "atrocious." The rides were small, unsafe or inoperable, they said.

Gene Chaffee, a native of Lyndonville and owner of Amusements of Buffalo, signed a two-year contract for the carnival. Batt and Culver said Chaffee is highly regarded, and he will bring bigger, better rides to the fair.

The Fair Board representatives also invited the government officials to use the fairgrounds as a meeting place. The fairgrounds have the necessary technology for teleconferencing, which allows for live interaction with other people from locations away from the fairgrounds.

## Long Term Care Insurance Seminar

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4 pm - 6 pm

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RT 31W, Knowlesville, NY

You will learn about:

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Insurance companies participating in the panel discussion: Albion Agencies, Finger Lakes Long Term Care Ins., Garrick Agency, LifeMark Financial & Insurance Agency, LLC, Mutual of Omaha, Inc., Prudential Ins., Seaway Insurance Brokerage, James S. Sullivan Agency, Inc., Mark Monacelli, Ins.

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# The Orleans Gardener

## Asian Cerambycid Beetles: A New Introduction

By ELAINE WENDT

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Most of us go on with our lives oblivious of the insect world around us until it affects us individually. If it bites us, stings us, eats our plants or irritates our plants then we know about it, otherwise out of site, out of mind.

Very few of us keep track of the insect world. Cornell entomologists and other Land Grant Universities make it their business to keep track of trends in insect populations which might become pestulant and have economic or health-related consequences. One pest which is being watched closely is the Asian Cerambycid Beetle, a type of longhorn beetle. The beetle is not a lady beetle but has a distinctive appearance of its own.

The insect is native to Japan, Korea and southern China and is known for killing trees and has been spotted in southeast New York State.



The trees which are most prone to attack by this beetle are Maples such as Norway, red, sugar, Boxelder and Sycamore. Horse chestnuts are also prone to attack by this pest. Since our native trees are so prone to this pest it is important to restrict its population from spreading further.

You can identify this beetle as large bodied (1 to 1 1/4 inch), with very long antennae. Their bodies and antennae are black and white. The adults leave behind large exit holes in wood approximately 3/8" in diameter. There may also be a presence of sawdust where the adult beetles chewed their way out of the trunk.

If you identify a beetle like this during the growing season please contact APHIS at 508-563-9303 or USFS at 603-868-7709, or bring a sample in to me between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday at 20 S. Main St., Albion, and I will forward suspected samples on to the Department of Entomology at Cornell University. Call me at 589-5561 for a free fact sheet about this pest.

## Conservation JR Field Days Set 4/3/97 For May 5 & 6

The 29th Annual Sixth Grade Conservation Field Days, sponsored by Orleans Field Days, sponsored by Orleans County Cornell Extension, will be held May 5 and 6.

The event will introduce more than 700 sixth grade students to topics on environmental conservation.

This year's program will be held at the Orleans County 4-H Fairgrounds in Knowlesville from 10a.m. - 1 p.m.

Every year, Orleans County's five school districts bring their sixth grade classes to participate in the program. A total of 21 stations will be showcased by local professionals and volunteers involved in environmental sciences.

Each class will attend nine stations, participating in activities designed to teach students about an aspect of environmental conservation.

This year's topics include 'K-9 Search and Rescue,' 'Wildlife Rehabilitation,' and 'Conservation by Farmers.'

Anyone interested in learning more about the event or volunteering to help should contact Cheryl Smith, Extension Educator and Conservation Field Day Coordinator at 589-5561.





**KIDS' FORUM A GREAT SHARING IDEA** — On Saturday, March 15, 48 Orleans County leaders and teens attended the 4-H Western District Kids Forum at Pembroke High School. There were a variety of workshops offered, including making pizza rolls, spring shamrocks, and 'Make it or Buy It?' Bob Hoetlzl, a special deputy from Niagara County Sheriff's Special Forces Unit also provided an informative afternoon break sharing his experiences and educating the group with his first-hand knowledge of working with dogs in search of missing persons, lost articles or dogs.



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### Things To Do In April

JR 4/3/97

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

Is it Spring yet? April couldn't have come soon enough for me. It's not that I'm wishing my life away, but simply that it means we are a little closer to warmer weather. April is also the month when the garden begins to awaken from winter's hold. Here is a list of tasks to start with once things green up.

The best time to prune Forsythia is right after the flowers fade. This is one shrub that can tolerate heavy pruning now and still rebound within a year or two.

Finish pruning fruit trees before the leaves arrive, also grape vines and raspberries. For details on "how to" call our office and request fact sheets on each.

Start seeds of peppers, eggplant, and tomatoes in early April.

Do not spade or rototill your garden until the soil has completely dried out. Tilling wet soil results in compacted globs that resemble cement balls. Very sandy soils dry out before heavy clay.

If you have the space available consider starting a new garden this spring. Plant a soil building legume such as alfalfa, clover or vetch in the old gar-

den. Rotate the two sites every three years or so.

Plant peas, onions, lettuce, radishes, spinach, turnips, beets and early potatoes as soon as the soil can be worked.

Recycled one gallon plastic milk jugs make excellent hot caps.

Start a compost pile with refuse that you clean up. Do not burn leftover leaves...recycle them by composting or give them to someone who will. For a free fact sheet on how to build a compost pile contact our office.

Be careful with leftover wood ashes, they can make a garden soil to alkaline (sweet) if overused.

Have your garden or lawn tested for pH.

Never use lime or wood ash near Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Holly or most other evergreens and acid-loving plants.

The annual ant invasion will soon begin. This is a normal phenomenon and need not cause concern unless you notice sawdust. The ants will usually disperse as soon as the weather warms. For more information call us for a free fact sheet.

Get your garden tools in shape for the season, clean, sharpen and oil them as needed.

Mow your lawn as soon as the grass reaches two and a half inches in height and keep it at that height until the really hot weather arrives; mow often enough to remove only one half inch at a time.

Do not prune lilac, flowering quince, dogwood, almond or cherry until after they finish blooming.

April is a good month to transplant trees and shrubs, dig a hole twice as large as you think you will need and refill it using the same soil that you have removed.

Trees and shrubs can be fertilized as soon as new growth starts and leaves are developed enough to utilize it. Two pounds of 5-10-5 fertilizer spread over a ten foot by ten foot area beneath the tree or shrub will do the job.

Bare spots in lawns can be scraped and reseeded now. Apply a light covering of a clean, straw mulch and keep it well watered.

Moss and algae do not crowd out good lawn grasses, they only grow where the grass will not. The presence of moss usually indicates an acid soil (which we can test for), compacted soil due to foot traffic, or excessive shade (under a tree).



# 4-Hers Learn About A New Culture

Anjana Pandya Dalal from Valsad, Gujarat State, India (near Bombay) was a guest of the Hindsburg Hilltop and Towpath 4-H Club. She taught the 4-Hers "Puri" (India bread) for their international food project.

Anjana, the 1966 International Farm Youth Exchange (IFYE) through Cornell University, also judged demonstrations and attended a leader's meeting. Rotary clubs, Rainbow and Brockport schools were also on her agenda.

The following members from the Hindsburg club demonstrated at the Holley Community Center: Amie Collazo - healthy snacks; Kelly Collazo - chicken 'n broccoli; Lorelei Pugh - banana split oatmeal/microwaved; Anita Snyder - easy apple crisp/microwaved; and Toya Torrance - achievement record books. Summer Torrance demonstrated geneology, and Sharon Pharoah showed table setting on make-up day at the Cooperative Extension.

Judges were Jane Dermody and Mildred Basinait from Albion and Doreen Clark, Holley. Room hostesses were Nancy Walker, 4-H leader from Kendall and Marie Snyder, Albion. Teen evaluators were Kelly Collazo, Anita Snyder and Summer Torrance. The coordinator for the Holley area was Dotty DuSett, 4-H leader.

A club tour with Doreen Clark was made at Clark's Civil War Clothing Shoppe in Holley. Members are sewing for the Clothing Revue.

Four members, Amie Collazo, Kelly Collazo, Lorelei Pugh, Summer Torrance and leader, Dotty DuSett, attended the Western New York 4-H Kid's Forum workshops at Pembroke.

Submitted by Anita Snyder,  
News Reporter for the Hilltoppers  
and Towpathers

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### Be Your Own Scout For Pest Problems This Year

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

The farming industry has become a complex science requiring detailed, research-based and timely information costing time and money. Commercial agriculture has long used professional scouts to detect these problems for early control using Cornell Extension resources. I have often thought that such an opportunity should be available to the home gardener as well, improving the management of pest problems before they become severe enough to warrant chemical intervention.

I put a lot of thought into how I could make this information most available and help you access Cornell University's information resources.

ces this growing season. The most sought after information by home gardeners of me during growing season is the control and management of pests. I consulted my current subscribers for input last year via survey and four trial publications and then chose a delivery method that met the needs of the public. I then field tested a publication that was timely, full of information bullets on pest control and which was not already provided by any other publication. The new publication is the Garden Scouting Report.

Starting April 21 and running through the growing season this new weekly publication will provide snippets of news on what's going on in your garden that you should be

aware of. Identification strategies for recognizing symptoms of insect damage, diseases and fungi will help you hone in on problem areas. Home garden vegetable crops, fruit plantings and ornamental gardens, including lawns, will be focused on. The publication will include control and prevention strategies for immediate and long-term needs. Both non-chemical and chemical recommendations will be listed eliminating unnecessary phone calls and guessing at the garden supply store for control recommendations.

This report will be your expert advisor on what you should be scouting for each week, how to recognize it and then what to do to control it. Call me at 589-5561 for information on how to subscribe to this new publication or to receive a sample copy for review.

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#### 4-H YOUTH EXCEL AT PRESENTATION DAY

A wide variety of interesting topics were presented in detail with posters, speeches, and props such as live animals, baked goods, and craft projects when the annual 4-H Public Presentation Day was held on Saturday, February 15th. The event was held at four sites in Orleans County: The Extension Office in Albion, the Trolley Building at the 4-H fairgrounds, Yates Baptist Church in Lyndonville and the Holley Community Center. Make-up presentations were held on March 4th at the extension office.

Topics included (but definitely not limited to) were 18th century flintlock muskets, friendship bracelets, playing chess raising rabbits, making dream catchers, and playing various musical instruments such as the flute, oboe, and clarinet.

In order to participate, 4-H members prepared an organized oral presentation and a poster about a subject they have researched and with which they are familiar. It is an excellent opportunity for young people to gain valuable experience in organization and public speaking skills.

A group of adult judges evaluated the presentations and awarded certificates to the following youth participants: Melissa Alexander, Robert Batt, Amanda Bivins, Lance Bivins, Chelsea Bookman, Heather Carr, Chelsie Cliff, Kassandra Cliff, Amie Collazo, Ariana Depatie, Amanda DePoty, Allyson Doherty, Spencer Doherty, Adam Fisher, Amber Fisher, Vincent Flow IV, Ashely Fortunato, Lyanne Fousse, Danny Frasier, Hollie Frasier, Andy Gailey, Adam Gawne, Jenna Gawne, Sarah Gaylord,

Ashlee Gee, Sarah Gee, Allison Gerkin, Crystal Gerkin, Sue Gerling, Terra Giltner, Felica Kinney, Christian Hansen, Lisa Hansen, Daniel Heard, Briana Johnson, Brett Klatt, Michael LaLonde, Amy Lauricella, Benjamin Logan, Anthony Maisiano, Scott Marciszewski, Andrea Marciszewski, Patrick Maume, Jonathan McGarvey, Joshua McGarvey, Marissa Miner, Katie Navarra, Amber Nesbitt, Jennifer Nesbitt, Shannon Pharoah, Rachel Preston, Lorelei Pugh, Katy Rich, Kate Rocco, Laura Rocco, Michelle Sands, Theresa Sands, Erica Seifart, Deborah Shortridge, Jackie Suhr, Meaghan Sweeney, Summer Torrance, Toya Torrance, Deborah Tucker, Jenna Marie VanLieshout, Alex VanLieshout, Kerrie Walker, Carly Wells, Jaclyn Wheatly, Ashley Wilson, Sara Wood, Jessica Wright, Joey Zeff, Janet Zimmerman, and Sarah Zimmerman.

Teen evaluators were Carrie Baxter, Jordan Chizick, Kelly Collazo, Katie Flow, Lisa Flow, Karyn Giltner, Chad Heldson, Anita Snyder, and Rachael Tuohy.

Judges were Mildred Basina, Joann Baxter, Doreen Clark, Marge Davis, Sue DePalma, Jane Dermody, Linda Doherty, Janice Giltner, Missy Harmer, Pauline Lanning, Dodie Mullen, and Jeff Parnapy. Make up judges were Dotty DuSett, Linda Doherty, Pauline Lanning, and Dodie Mullen.

Building Site Coordinators were Shirley Bright, Joyce Chizick, Dotty DuSett, Rita Heldson, and Laura Shortridge. Room Hostesses were Joann Johnson, Ann Preston, Marie Snyder, and Nancy Walker.



## J-R Business



## Apples Are Worldwide Business For Albion's Lake Ontario Fruit, Inc.

By KAREN SAMPSON  
J-R Staff Writer

ALBION — Even in April, apples are big business in Orleans County. Lake Ontario Fruit, Inc., stores the area's biggest crop throughout the year and ships apples across the United States and worldwide.

"We're the biggest fresh apple storage and shipper in the area," general manager William Gerling said.

Lake Ridge Fruit Company, the parent company of Lake Ontario Fruit, is a partnership of 11 area apple growers. It is different from a cooperative and is a commercial business. In addition to the partners, it does business with 20 other area growers.

"In our type of business, everybody gets charged the same cost and the objective is to have a little bit of money left at the end of the year, a profit goal," Gerling said.

The secret to success is in the storage of the apples. Apples are harvested in the fall as they ripen and are brought to Lake Ontario Fruit. They are carefully packed and kept in controlled atmosphere rooms.

"A controlled atmosphere is when we actively control the gases in the room," Gerling explained. "We regulate the amount of oxygen and carbon dioxide in the room."

This is accomplished through a

killling them, but keeping it low enough to prevent further ripening and spoilage.

"It's a very environmental, people-safe way (to remove oxygen)," Gerling said. "It lets us pick apples in September and sell them in June and July."

Apples are separated before they are stored and packed according to grade. Most apples in the United States sold throughout the year are grown in the northern states, Gerling said. The market for apples runs from the beginning of the harvest in August through the end of the following July.

"Most of them are harvested in the northern United States and stored in refrigerated storage for the rest of the year," Gerling said. "Our objective is to pack and sell as much fruit as we can sell throughout the year."

Lake Ontario Fruit distributes about 600,000 bushels of apples during a year. Local customers for the company's fruit include Tops Friendly Markets and Jubilee Markets. In addition to domestic markets, the apples are sent overseas.

"We ship to Israel, Great Britain, a little bit in northern Europe," Gerling said. "About 15 percent of our total volume is export."

Lake Ontario Fruit has a sales agreement with New York Apples, the largest apple distributor in the

for this year. "We do ship fruit to most of the (grocery) chains."

Major markets for Lake Ontario Fruit remain in the northeast, mid-west and south, he said.

"Most major chains have a couple of suppliers they buy from," Gerling said. "Fortunately for us, there's not a lot of jumping around. What we are really looking for is a customer looking for a good supply of apples for a reasonable price, both for us and for them."

Lake Ontario Fruit also does some storage and limited shipping of cherries when they are in season, he added. This is more for the benefit of some partners that grow cherries.

"For this coming season, I think it's more consolidating and being competitive," Gerling said he expects for the coming season. "Improving on what we're doing in little ways."

Recent warm weather followed by a cold snap does add an element of concern, though, he said.

"Hopefully, the fruit crop," he said when asked about what Lake Ontario Fruit is looking forward to. "The weather hasn't been helping, when it's 70 degrees one day and cold the next."

Most recently, Lake Ontario Fruit added an additional refrigeration compressor and another nitrogen separation system. All the controlled



# 1997 County Fair To Feature New Acts

The Orleans County Fair Board has announced that plans are well under way for the staging of this year's Orleans County 4-H Fair, scheduled for July 22 through July 26 at the fairgrounds on Route 31 between Albion and Medina.

Entertainment Chair Robyn Watts said several new and exciting acts have been signed or will be signed to contracts shortly. Signed to a contract and scheduled for 15 shows during the five days of the fair is the Indian River Olde Time Lumberjack show. During the performances will be exhibitions of springboard chopping, ax throwing, log rolling and obstacle pole bucking.

The biggest excitement is centered around the signing of a contract with Amusements of Buffalo for the

midway and rides. The owner of Amusements of Buffalo is Gene Chaffee, who was born and raised in Lyndonville.

"Amusements of Buffalo has a lot to offer the parents and children that will be visiting the fair this year," said Orleans County Fair Chair Nadine Hanlon.

Among the rides that will be featured this year will be a large ferris wheel, bumper cars and a tilt-a-whirl. In all there will be 18 rides for children of all ages to enjoy.

A new attraction on the midway will be rest areas where fairgoers will be able to sit and relax.

Another improvement on the midway will be the appearance of the workers on the midway. All of the employees of Amusements of Buffalo will be in uniforms each day, all in

same style and color.

Not to be forgotten amidst all the changes and improvements are the animals raised and 4-H projects done by the youth of Orleans County.

"We have a 50 year head start on this year's fair after last year's 50th anniversary edition of the fair. This year promises to be just as exciting and enjoyable," said Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension Director Shirley Bright.

## 4-H Plans Annual Clothing Revue

The highlight of the 4-H year for many Orleans County youth will take place Friday, April 18, at the annual 4-H Clothing Revue.

The event will take place at 7 p.m., at the Knowlesville 4-H Fairground's Trolley Building.

Some objectives of the 4-H clothing project are to help youth develop creativity and enjoyment of new skills while developing self-confidence, poise and self-awareness.

The public is invited to attend and watch the 4-Hers modeling their sewing project to the theme "The Sky's The Limit." Almost 50 4-H boys and girls will participate in the event, where finalists for the District and State Clothing Revues are to be selected.



## The Orleans Gardener

### *Give Peas A Chance*

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

Peas are a wonderful vegetable to try in your garden. It is typical though for Spring to skip by me before I have one pea in the ground. I would encourage anyone who enjoys this delectable treat to take a few minutes these next few days and pop some into the garden.

Today, we have excellent varieties to choose. Peas which grow to full size and edible pod types grow to maturity between 55 and 70 days, depending on the variety.

Peas are considered to be a cool season crop. It is a misconception that they like cold weather. In fact, peas germinate in soils that are 75 degrees Fahrenheit and should never be placed in soils below 40 degrees. If there is one thing peas don't like it is hot weather and cold soil. Peas consume a large amount of water and if left without, grow poorly.

Seeds can be planted 2-3 inches

apart and three feet between rows. Some type of mulch is helpful to peas to prevent soil moisture loss and suppress weeds. Mulch doesn't have to be fancy. In the past I've used some old rotting boards and planted the peas in between. The boards protect the pods from getting dirty as well as provide an instant walkway for me. I also provide a wire trellis for the peas to grow up secured at each end to secure it in place.

Peas need a soil pH between 5.5 and 6.7. When plants are a foot long they should be given a pound of 5-10-10 for every 50 foot of row as a side dressing if your soil test indicates a need to fertilize.

When peas start filling out, they should be harvested two to three times a week. Mature peas become rancid and begin to split.

The hardest thing about growing peas is taking the time to get them into the ground, so get to work!



# Long Term Care Insurance Seminar Held May 1

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### May Gardening Calendar!

By ELAINE WENDT

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May is full of possible gardening chores. In May and June timing, above all, is the most critical factor in getting a garden off to a good start. Make time to tend to garden chores when they are most needed and avoid time consuming catch up work or missed plantings later on.

Weeds grow better in spring than any other time. Once a garden is tilled and clean keep it that way, with a light hoeing removing newly germinated weed seedlings. Scrape the surface so not to unearth new weed seeds. It is so easy to suppress weeds as young seedlings compared to pulling mature plants. Do this for 10 minutes every morning and your garden won't become a GROWING frustration.

Purchase garden transplants that are healthy and free of white flies and other insects. Inspect them closely. Choose varieties that are disease resistant. Call me for a listing of these other varieties. If the transplants are straight from the greenhouse set them on your deck for a week so they can develop some callous tissue to survive the exposed environment in your garden.

Even though transplants are available for purchase, be careful not to plant them in the garden before their desirable transplant date. Koler crops such as cabbage, collards, broccoli and cauliflower can withstand cold temperatures a lot better than say, impatiens or tomatoes, unless you intend to use row covers and hot caps. The average date of last occurrence of frost is April 30 to May 10 for most of Orleans County. Shelby, Barre and Ridgeway south of Route 104 have a frost free date of May 10-20. Most transplants, except for cool season koler crops and peas, should be planted around the last week in May or the first of June.

If you are like me you might take a risk and plant early. Make sure you know what the cost might be of replanting. To me a few seeds are worth the risk. Risk takers sometimes win.

Remove dead or faded flowers from your spring bulbs but allow the foliage to remain so they can rejuvenate and grow next spring's bulbs. Naturalistic plantings of daffodils (those plantings within lawn areas) should be allowed to grow unmowed until at least the first of July in order to replenish the corms for next year.

Fertilize spring flowering shrubs when they bloom and then again six to eight weeks later, never in the fall. Perform any pruning after bloom on the shrubs only. In order to keep lilacs blooming at their peak in subsequent years prune out one-third of the shrub each year, removing the oldest branches. By the third year you will have replaced all of the lilac's branches and kept vigor and bloom at its peak.

Control Black Knot of cherry and plum by pruning out infested branches, burn or discard but do not compost.

Prune out and destroy any remaining peony stalks to prevent Botrytis Blight. Place peony frames over growing shoots so they grow into the frames. Clean out pachysandra beds and thin plants to prevent Volutella Blight.

Start planting a few rows of corn. Plant a few rows each week for a steady supply of fresh ear corn. If the first few rows never make it then all you've lost is some seed and the chance of getting the earliest corn.

Call me at 589-5561 for a sample copy of the weekly home garden IPM periodical, the Garden Scouting Report.



# New Publication Will Help Local Gardeners

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By TOM RIVERS

Local gardening expert Elaine Wendt wanted home gardeners to be better prepared to battle pests. She took matters into her own hands and last week started a weekly newsletter for home gardeners.

"Commercial agriculture has long used professional scouts to detect problems for early control using Cornell Extension resources," said Wendt, an agricultural program leader for the Cornell Cooperative Extension. "I have often thought that such an opportunity should be available to the home gardener as well, improving the management of pest problems before they become severe enough to warrant chemical intervention."

Wendt's newsletter, *Garden Scouting Report*, will help gardeners identify symptoms for insect damage, diseases and fungi. Wendt will focus on problem areas for home garden vegetables, fruit plantings and ornamental gardens, including lawns. She will provide immediate and long-term control and prevention strategies.

Wendt, a Cornell graduate who has been writing a weekly column on gardening since 1990 for another local newspaper, said that she receives numerous phone calls from gardeners about pest control, pest identification and use of chemical and non-chemical treatments. The newsletter will address these concerns.

The two-page *Gardening Scouting Report* will be published 20 times this year. It costs \$10 for a subscription,



Elaine Wendt

which Wendt said will cover paper and mailing costs.

"This report will be your expert advisor on what you should be scouting for each week, how to recognize it and then what to do to control it," she said.

For more information contact Wendt at 589-5561 at her Cooperative Extension office.

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## KIDS FORUM A GREAT SHARING IDEA

On Saturday, March 15, 48 4-H leaders and members from Orleans County attended the 4-H Western District Kids Forum held at Pembroke Central School in Genesee County. This event is a great way to get together with other counties and to share 4-H ideas. There were a variety of workshops offered, such as: pizza rolls, stenciled tote bag, spring shamrock, and Make it or Buy it?, to name a few.

Bob Hoelzl, a special deputy from Niagara County Sheriff's Special Forces Unit provided an informative afternoon break showcasing his dogs, "Mike", a Labrador Retriever, and "Willow", a Bloodhound. Bob shared his experiences and educated the group with his first-hand knowledge of working with these dogs in search of missing persons, lost articles, drugs, and to solve any link to a crime.

Participants from Orleans County were: Dawn Marciszewski, Kay Fortunato, Donald Heard, Scott Marciszewski, Patrick Maume, Ashley Fortunato, Sara Wood, Jaclyn Wheatly, Angela Maume, Carolyn Squires, Spencer Doherty, Jonathon Doherty, Jean Webster, Bridget Allport, Heather Fair, Amie Fair, Sarah Dibley, Beth Gee, Sandy Nowicki, Jenny Nowicki, Sarah Gee, Ashley Wilson, Ashlee, Gee, Jane Read, Beverly Pulaski, Rachel Pulaski, Jamie VanDegenachte, Jimmy Watts, Ashton Watts, Jenna VanLieshout, Laura Shortridge, Chelsea Wagner, Debi Shortridge, Dotty DuSett, Summer Torrance, Lorelei Pugh, Amie Collazo, Kelly Collazo, Susan Persia, Krystle Couch, Tricia Kruger, Tegan Leach, Aaron Shaffer, Kelly Roe, Erin Hart, Kelli Underwood, Sally Driesel, and Chris Driesel.

Niagara County will host the next Western District Kids Forum in 1998.



# FarmNet Helps Farmers Make Decisions

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Springtime is a time for renewal and planning — a good time to take a look at your farm business. Springtime on the farm is also a busy time. With longer days, it is easy to become so involved in farm work that you think you have no time or energy left for giving thought to plans beyond the long day ahead.

Yet, it is crucial in the changing farm environment in which you work to take time to periodically review your business; and when problems arise, reach out early for assistance. Don't wait. Take time to review your business, make some changes, and if there are problems, FarmNet can be helpful.

FarmNet is a consultation and referral program available in assisting farmers analyze and evaluate

their business. Since 1996, NY FarmNet has responded to more than 10,000 calls from New York state farmers and their families, growing from a crisis hotline into an agricultural network.

"When families call FarmNet sooner, there are more available options for change and improvement," said FarmNet Family Consultant Leonard Freeborn.

The program offers numerous services, including:

—A confidential toll-free line (1-800-547-FARM); calls are answered Monday through Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.

—Information and referral, individual assessments of callers' questions and concerns, and appropriate referrals to sources of help.

—NY FarmNet Outreach.

Community-based consultants, specializing in either farm financial management or personal issues, and provide on-farm consulting.

—A library of more than 500 printed resources on topics from agricultural and business practices to succession planning.

NY FarmNet can offer assistance when considering options for change. "An early request for outside input may make possible a satisfactory outcome from informed decision making," said NY FarmNet Consultant Rus Hodnot.

NY Farmnet is sponsored by the New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets, Cornell Cooperative Extension, Cornell University College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and New York agribusiness.

## New 4-H Club To Study Horses

A new 4-H club, titled Healthy, Organized, Responsible, Safe Equestrians (H.O.R.S.E.), recently formed in Orleans County.

The organization will study their horses' well-being, care and maintenance, safety and caring for equipment.

The club's officers are President Ben Hogan, Vice President Jackie Suhr, Secretary Amber Nesbitt, Corresponding Secretary Marissa Minier, News Reporter Jennifer Nesbitt, Treasurers Don and Dan Heard, and Songleader Carly Wells.

Group leaders are Dona Scharping and Linda Hogan.

The youth have chosen numerous activities to participate in, including riding meetings, public presentations, fund raisers, a ride-a-thon, community service, trail rides, and the annual county fair.

Meetings are held twice each month, on the first and third Friday evenings, at the members' homes.



**MAKING SHIRTS** — Six-year-old Aaron Wagner of Middleport and his father recently made a cow t-shirt during a recent 4-H meeting. Wagner is a member of the Niagara County 4-H Dairy Cattle Clover Buds group.

## Bird Watching Workshop Planned

A bird-watching workshop, sponsored by the Orleans and Genesee County Cornell Cooperative Extensions, and the Genesee County parks, will be held May 29.

The workshop, to be held from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Iroquois Wildlife Refuge auditorium, will highlight the Cornell Nestbox Network, a Cornell Lab of Ornithology Network project. One of a series of projects, it involves watching nestboxes and recording research data to be sent to Cornell for compilation and publication.

There will be a short walking tour of the refuge and a discussion of a trip to the lab and the Cornell Plantations to be offered to participants on Aug. 15.

For more information, call the Orleans County Cooperative Extension at 589-5561, or the Genesee County branch at 343-3040. There is no cost for the workshop.





### PARENTING CHALLENGE CONFERENCE

The 9th Annual Parenting Challenge was held at the Albion Middle School on Saturday, February 22nd. Over 100 people from around the county participated. In addition to an educational and fun morning, each family received a one year subscription to Cooperative Extension's "Caring for Kids" Newsletter.

Spencer Bartley, founder of the Powers Coalition, was keynote speaker. Mr. Bartley was sponsored by the L.I.F.E. Program. Workshops were held for parents and children, thanks to many area agencies, businesses, and groups that donated their time. Presenting workshops were: Orleans County Cooperative Extension, Orleans County Health Department, ACT Program, Park Ridge Chemical Dependency, Phoenix Fitness, Albion High School Drama Club, Genesee Orleans Youth Advocacy Program, Kathy McGillivray, and Community Partners. Free childcare for the youngest attending was provided by Children's Home Workshop.

Parenting Challenge is a function of the Human Services Council of Orleans County. Members of the coordinating committee are: Orleans County Cooperative Extension, Orleans County Health Department, Orleans County Department of Social Services, ACT Program, Headstart, LIFE Program, Mental Health Association and Rural Opportunities. Community members are active on the committee and are always welcome.

### Orleans 4H Leaders Association Elects Officers

Pete Toenniessen (Albion) was recently elected President of the 4H Leaders Association in Orleans County. He will take the helm from Jane Read, outgoing president, at the January 22, 1997 meeting.

Joann Baxter (Albion) was elected Vice President and Linda Doherty (Albion) was elected Secretary. Jann Gailey and Jean Webster will continue the second year of their two year term as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer respectfully.

Janice Giltner of Medina was appointed by President Toenniessen to serve as Publicity Chair.

The 4H Leaders Association serves to support volunteers in Orleans County. Monthly programs are featured to provide training and support. The Association promotes 4H youth development. The group provides leadership to the countywide fundraising activities designed to support 4H awards, trips and leader training needs. For information on 4H call 589-5561.

*Orleans County*  
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### ORLEANS 4H PROGRAM EMPHASIZES SAFETY

by Cheryl Smith

Did you know that many United States Olympic shooting team athletes started their target practice careers in 4H? This was just one of the fun facts I learned while visiting with members and leaders of the Orleans County 4H Shooting Sports Club.

Led by Clarence Preston, Walter Batt, and Ann Preston and co-led by David Higgins of Albion, the club recently met to re-organize. Members of this safety oriented club include: JT Kurtz, Merri Clark, Joseph Clark, Robert Batt, Rachael Tuohey, Aaron Batt, Diane Smith, Ruth Greene, Jeffrey Higgins, and Rachel Greene.

According to the Prestons, the primary objective of the club is to learn how to safely operate air guns, rifles, and shotguns. The club also will be making outings in the future to practice target shooting and learn about wildlife, both plant and animal.

The National Rifle Association recently cited the 4H Shooting Sports program for education values and for the promotion of responsible gun ownership in its publication, "American Hunter".

Officers for 1996-1997 are as follows: President - JT Kurtz (Albion), Vice President - Merri Clark (Holley), Secretary/News-Reporter - Rachael Tuohey (Albion), Treasurer - Aaron Batt (Albion).



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**Earth Day review --** Members of the Orleans County 4-H Rabbit Club show off four of their 65 kinds of rabbits, including a young Flemish Giant that weighs in at 14 lbs. and is still growing, during Earth Day observances in Brockport Saturday, April 19. Above, (standing) Lyanne Fousse, (left) Jessica Wright, (right) Nicole Dain with a Guinea Pig.



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**SWAPPING RECIPES** — The Family Center, located on the corner of North Academy and Ohio St., Medina, recently hosted a recipe swap. The morning started out by making homemade noodles. While the noodles dried, parents exchanged their favorite recipes. The morning ended with participants enjoying a bowl of homemade chicken soup. Pictured from left are: Nancy Kuczka and Lula Richardson cooking soup. Call 798-8432 to inquire about upcoming programs.

## Family Center Focuses On Cultural Acceptance

Several of the activities on The Family Center's calendar for June reflect the cultural acceptance topic for the Parenting Program.

June 2 at 10 a.m. the children are invited to make Indian Headdresses to be worn at the Parenting Program on June 26 at 10 a.m. The Family Center will be hosting Mr. Froman, a Native American Indian who will share his culture and beliefs with visitors. There will be a viewing of a tape of traditional Indian dances, and an original feather headdress will be available.

June 16 at 10 a.m. the children will be making paper bag moccasins. (All materials will be provided). The children will be able to take the moccasins home and bring them back to wear again on June 26 when

The Family Center hosts the Parenting Program Teaching Cultural Acceptance. The children will be able to ask questions they may have about Native American Indians and their culture.

Call 798-8432 for further information between the hours of 9 a.m. and noon on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. The Family Center is located on the corners of North Academy and Ohio Streets in Medina.

## Job Fair Scheduled

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The Orleans County Business/Education and the Medina and Albion Chambers of Commerce have scheduled a Job Fair for graduating high school seniors.

The Job Fair will be held at the Trolley Building at the 4-H Fairgrounds on Route 31 on Wednesday, May 21.

Participating high school seniors will arrive at the fair dressed for an interview and prepared to target the four businesses they are most interested in.

Businesses are available to provide seniors with a brief overview of their company, a brief interview and a contact for the student to pursue if interested.

Students from Lyndonville, Kendall and Holley will arrive at the Job Fair from 12:25-1:30 p.m. Medina and Albion students are scheduled for 1:25-2:30 p.m.

Aging recently hosted a seminar on Long Term Care Insurance. One hundred interested participants attended this program.

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To The Editor:  
The Orleans County Office for the





# The Orleans Gardener



## New Hope For Controlling Grubs In Spring!

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By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

Lawn damage from root feeding grubs is heaviest over the fall and spring. Dead patches in your lawn are an indication that grubs may have been feeding there.

Although many insects attack our lawn grasses, white grubs continue to be the most common turfgrass insect pests reported by homeowners. White grubs are simply the larval stage of Japanese Beetles, European Chafer and Oriental Beetles. The grubs are "C" shaped, off white in color and with a brownish head. Their size can vary from 1/4 inch to 3/4 inch in length depending on the species and time of year.

The European Chafer Beetle grubs will continue feeding for a short while longer but the Japanese Beetle grubs will feed for at least a few

more weeks. In June these insects emerge from the soil as beetles and continue to feed on the leaves of trees and shrubs until they deposit their eggs into the soil surface in July. Sometime in early to mid August the new brood will hatch and begin feeding on your lawn root system.

Until now spring grub control has been frowned on since grubs are most vulnerable in mid August when they have first hatched and are close to the surface. In addition, killing them in the fall eliminates them before they have done their damage. A new chemical is now on the market that provides control for up to one year. The initial application will destroy the grubs and then also control those that will be deposited in the soil and hatch this summer. The chemical's common name is imidacloprid, marketed as "Merit" by

Bayer company. I confirmed that product is available locally.

Other benefits of this new product are its safeness around poultry birds such as ducks and geese, earthworms are not negatively affected and the application rates are much smaller than other grub control products. Contact Agway for more information on this new pest control technology.

If you peel back a square foot of turf and find five to 10 grubs, grub control may be warranted. Homeowners in search of nonchemical control may consider using Milky Spore Disease, a bacteria which attacks the larval stage of the insect. In order for this bacteria to do damage to the grub however, soil temperature must be approximately 70 degrees Fahrenheit for an extended period of time, a strategy definitely not suited for our climate!



# The Orleans Gardener



## Tips On Managing Your Lawn In 1997

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5/15/97

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

Integrated Pest Management IPM research has highlighted some management tips to help home lawns thrive amidst pest and environmental constraints. The best preventive measure a homeowner can use to avoid injury is to carefully select lawn seed which is best suited for a site and which will thrive and stay healthy. A well maintained lawn is able to withstand more insect damage than a lawn that is already under stress because of lack of nutrients, or soil moisture.

When you mow this year keep the height of the grass at a minimum of 2.5 to 3 inches. What grows above ground is equivalent to the depth of the root system. A deep root system will resist drought, weeds, and grub

damage more than a shallow root system. Leaving turfgrass longer will also discourage beetles from laying eggs in it.

Research being funded by the New York State IPM Program is showing that alternative pest management can reduce the need for chemical inputs and improve the health of the soil. Results of trials in Monroe County indicated that turf plots managed with IPM and organic principles had significantly larger populations of earthworms, rove beetles (which eat various pests), and other beneficial organisms than conventionally managed turf. Turf quality was equal to the quality of turf managed with chemical pesticides.

Cornell research laboratories are looking for alternatives to chemical

controls. Nematodes parasitic on insects are being looked at for possible control of soil pests. Turfgrass breeding researchers are working on turfgrass varieties that can withstand more insect feeding before showing damage or that are genetically modified to deter insect feeding.

Something else to think about: Many consumers push for reduced or no pesticide use by farmers in growing essential crops. How often does the consumer apply these same value judgments to their own situation for non essential uses? If you are going to use pesticides please be sure they are necessary and applied correctly for maximum effectiveness.

To receive your free fact sheet "Lawn Insects," or to receive a sample of our weekly pest management publication, "The Garden Scouting Report," call 589-5561.



## 4-H Shooting Sports Club Reorganizes <sup>SR 5-15-97</sup>

The Orleans County 4-H Shooting Club recently reorganized, setting goals and electing officers, leaders recently announced.

Officers for the club include President J.T. Kurtz, Vice President Merri Clark, Secretary/News Reporter Rachael Tuohey and Treasurer Aaron Batt. Other members include Joseph Clark, Robert Batt, Diane Smith, Ruth Greene, Jeffrey Higgins and Rachel Greene.

Adult leaders include Clarence Preston, Walter Batt and Ann Preston.

The club's primary objective is to learn how to safely operate air guns, rifles and shotguns. Club members will also make outings to practice target shooting and learn about wildlife.

For more information on the 4-H Shooting Sports program, contact the 4-H office at 589-5561.



**LEARNING ABOUT NATURE** — Mike Napolitano of Jeremy Worlds of Reptiles shows off a large snapping turtle to sixth grade students during Conservation Days, held earlier this week. More than 730 sixth grade students from areas schools attended the event, at the 4H Fairgrounds in Knowlesville. The annual event introduces students to environmental topics.

(J-R Photo by David Allen)

## Kendall Girl Wins Annual 4-H Design Contest

The Orleans County Fair Board announced that Heather Conley of Kendall won this year's County Fair design contest.

The design shows a girl wearing an "I Love 4-H" t-shirt. She is holding a four-leaf clover balloon that has this



For Millford L. Phinney: The Shou-  
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Phinney Tool and Die.  
For John Renoult: Fire Fighters from  
Friends from Sacred Heart Club.



For Josephine Brennan: Efficient  
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line Bacon.  
For Dorothy Coats: Miss Flora  
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Evelyn Tarr.  
For Helen Dimino: Smoky's Special  
Easter Present from Marian Flynn and  
Family.  
For Wayne Dugan: Home In The







# it Amid Immigrant Crackdown

McLaughlin said farmers have been warned against hiring workers who cannot produce a certificate of naturalization or other documents proving their eligibility to work. But bogus paperwork is readily available for a price and farmers often cannot tell the difference.

"We know it's a business for the farmers and they've been caught in the middle trying to get their harvest in," McLaughlin said.

Mrs. Torrey, whose farm was raided Oct. 20, complained that workers are often not given the chance to prove they are legal before being handcuffed.

"My supervisor's son is a Hispanic national born in the U.S.A.," she said. "He was driving down the road and they stopped his vehicle and seized his vehicle for transporting illegals." He was handcuffed, she said, and not asked whether he was a U.S. citizen.

The action has driven away workers, with apples, cabbage and squash still in the fields, Mrs. Torrey said. Replacement workers are impossible to find.

"Are you going to go out in mud and rain and work six days a week and work 10 hours a day?" she asked.



# Farm Accidents

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in the *American Journal of Industrial Medicine*.

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However, Jeff Lewis, Rural Opportunities director of planning and research in Rochester, said that workers often don't wear the proper clothing because they feel too hot during the summer. These workers then increase their chances for pesticide poisoning.

Rural Opportunities also gives training on how to prevent hearing loss and lower back pain, other common

ailments among farmers.

Lewis said his big concern is the number of fatal accidents caused by farm machinery.

Dudley said he and his family members actively educate other workers about dangers on the farm. He said equipment frequently changes, and farmers need safety refresher courses.

Neither he nor any of his six children have ever been seriously hurt while working on their 700-acre farm on County House Road in Albion.

Dudley has nearly broken bones because heavy objects fell on him, he said.

Falling objects are among the five leading causes of death on farms. The others are machinery, motor vehicles, electrocution and environmental hazards.

Wendt said safety is incorporated into all of the extension's agriculture programs, including her weekly gardening column in another local newspaper.

"There are so many types of training," she said. "And we can't teach safety by itself. It has to be stressed in everything."

## Letters To The Editor

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## 4-H'ers Tour New York City

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Karyn Giltner and Summer Torrance from Orleans County were among 29 representatives on the four-day 4-H Home Economics-Career Exploration trip to New York City. Winners from 14 counties in the Finger Lakes and Western New York area traveled on the Niagara Scenic Bus line for the early April trip.

Upon our arrival in the Big Apple, we stayed at the Comfort Inn at Murray Hill and had a guided tour of Upper NYC (Manhattan). After an enjoyable dinner at the Hard Rock Cafe, we enjoyed a walk down Broadway through Times Square, and toured the Empire State Building. The lights lit up the whole city and we were at the center of all the attractions.

The next day we toured the United Nations Building, Cornell Club, shopped at Macy's and dined at China Peace. In the evening we attended the Broadway show *The King and I*.

Thursday the highlight of our day

was visiting the Northeast Regional Laboratory of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration in Brooklyn. They showed how they tested drugs for H.I.V. virus, and how they test foods that are transported from other countries to make sure they fit the USDA standards. Later we toured Counterparts (Ladies Moderate Sportswear) and Vogue Patterns, with dinner at

Houlihan's in the Empire State Building. *Fantastiks*, an off-Broadway show, completed the evening.

Friday ended with a ferry ride to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island.

Our trip was very enjoyable and educational. We would like to thank the 4-H Leader's Association of Orleans County and the Senior Council for sponsoring this trip.

Submitted by Summer Torrance



# Accidents Plague Farmers

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Despite being bombarded with tons of safety knowledge, farmers fall prey to injury more than any other workers, according to a study by the National Safety Council.

The fatality rate for agriculture was 26 per 100,000 workers, seven times the rate of all industries combined in 1994.

Why is farming so dangerous?

Orleans County Farm Bureau President Karen Watt said farming is different from a factory, where the workers are confined, the conditions are controlled, and tools are accessible.

On farms, she said workers are often isolated, tired and frustrated. Plus the weather is unpredictable.

Farmers often ignore safety precautions when they are working, she said, especially if their work has been delayed by rainy weather.

"There are a lot of ways you can get hurt on a farm," said Elaine Wendt, an agricultural program leader with the Cornell Cooperative Extension. "With most farm accidents farmers always know better. They know what safety is, but they're usually in a hurry."

On good weather days, farmers work too long, Watt said, because they want to get their work done while the weather is conducive. When it rains farmers are limited because their tractors are slowed by mud.

Farmers have a heavy workload, especially during the growing season, she said. When they are delayed by mechanical problems, they are frustrated.

Farmers often try to fix broken machines quickly, without taking the time to properly turn everything off, she said.

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Rural Opportunities also gives training on how to prevent hearing loss and lower back pain, other common ailments among farmers.

Lewis said his big concern is the number of fatal accidents caused by farm machinery.

Dudley said he and his family members actively educate other workers about dangers on the farm. He said equipment frequently changes, and farmers need safety refresher courses.

Neither he nor any of his six children have ever been seriously hurt while working on their 700-acre farm on County House Road in Albion.

Dudley has nearly broken bones because heavy objects fell on him, he said.

Falling objects are among the five leading causes of death on farms. The others are machinery, motor vehicles, electrocution and environmental hazards.

Wendt said safety is incorporated into all of the extension's agriculture programs, including her weekly gardening column in another local newspaper.

"There are so many types of training," she said. "And we can't teach safety by itself. It has to be stressed in everything."

## Job Fair Scheduled For Graduates

AP 5-21-97

The Orleans County Business/Education and the Medina and Albion Chambers of Commerce have scheduled a Job Fair for graduating high school seniors.

The Job Fair will be held at the Trolley Building at the 4-H Fairgrounds on Route 31 on Wednesday, May 21.

Participating high school seniors will arrive at the fair dressed for an interview and prepared to target the

four businesses they are most interested in.

Businesses are available to provide seniors with a brief overview of their company, a brief interview and a contact for the student to pursue if interested.

Students from Lyndonville, Kendall and Holley will arrive at the Job Fair from 12:25-1:30 p.m. Medina and Albion students are scheduled for 1:25-2:30 p.m.



# Community Digest



**FOOD FOR THOUGHT** — Parents recently participated in a nutrition program presented by Ginny Springer, nutritionist from Cornell Cooperative Extension. Springer discussed "Using Your Food Dollar Wisely" with parents joining in to share their own ideas for saving money on their food budgets. Pictured from left are Maryanne Holycross, Janice Ozimak, Nancy Kuczka and Springer.

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## 4-H Hilltoppers Give Update

The Hindsburg Hilltop and Township 4-H Club participated in the Leader's Vegetable and Flowers Plant Sale.

The Conservation Field Day for sixth graders at the fairgrounds was excellent and very educational. Thanks to all those great class instructors who volunteered their time, and Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Summer Torrance attended the 4-H Homemaking Award trip to New York City April 1 to April 4.

Submitted by  
Anita Snyder, news reporter



## The Orleans Gardener

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5-22-97

### Get A Jump Start On Rose Black Spot

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

Rose black spot is a serious pest for roses. If you grow roses then you are familiar with leaf symptoms which appear as circular black spots with soft margins ranging in size but averaging about 1/4 inch in diameter. Affected leaves turn yellow and fall prematurely. Severely affected plants may be completely defoliated, weakening them and reducing their ability to survive the winter.

Black spot is actually a fungus, *Diplocarpon rosae*. As is common to fungal spores, falling rain splashes them to new locations and their preponderance is increased with moist humid weather. The moisture promotes spore germination, causing the germ tubes to penetrate the leaf tissue. The infection site turns black as the fungus grows through the leaf

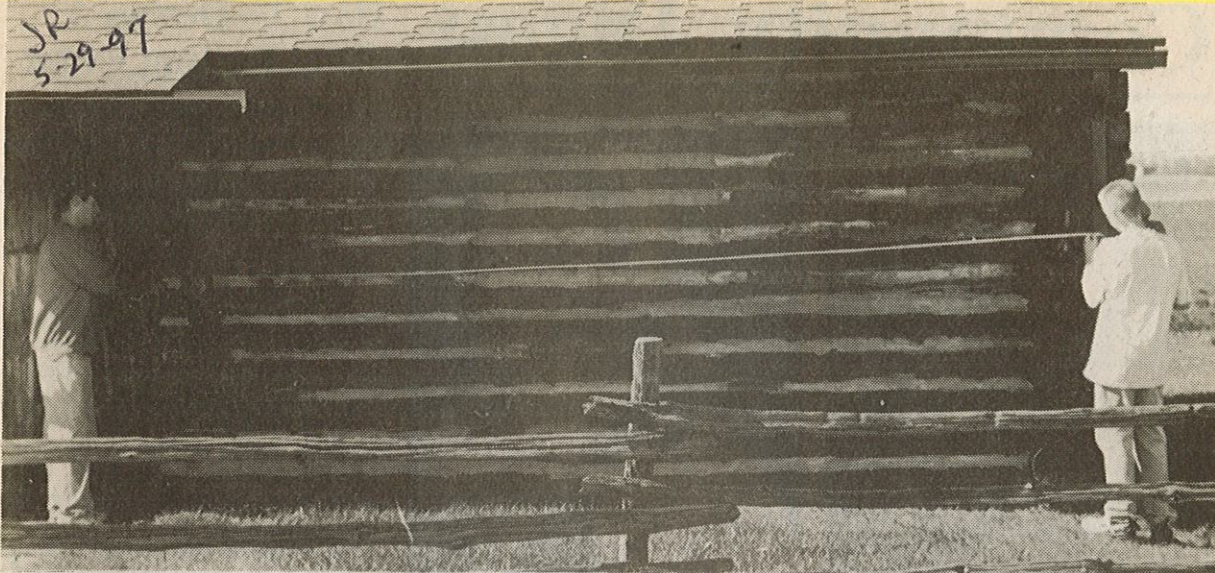
tissue. New spores are produced within 10 days after the first appearance of a spot. Almost 200,000 spores can be produced from a single spot.

Leaves are most susceptible while still expanding in size in the spring. Since moist humid weather contributes to infection long periods of wet weather can result in an explosive build-up of spots.

Control rose black spot by removing and destroying infected leaves (not composting), pruning out twigs with lesions, avoid overhead watering, buying plants which are free of disease and varieties which are less susceptible to infection. Fungicides are available.

Applications of baking sodas are most effective when started early in the season since young tender leaves are most vulnerable to infection.





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GOATHERDERS VISIT HOSPITAL RESIDENTS — Members of the Orleans Goatherders 4-H Club recently visited residents at Medina Memorial Hospital's Resident Healthcare Facility, where club members showed a variety of animals, including dairy goats, lambs, kittens, rabbits, and even a wallaby. Above, resident Pat Schreiver pets a lamb belonging to 4-H member Rachael Tuohey.

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### AGRICULTURAL EVENTS

22-26-Orleans County 4-H  
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### Four-Lined Plant Bugs Have Been Sighted

JR 6/5/97

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

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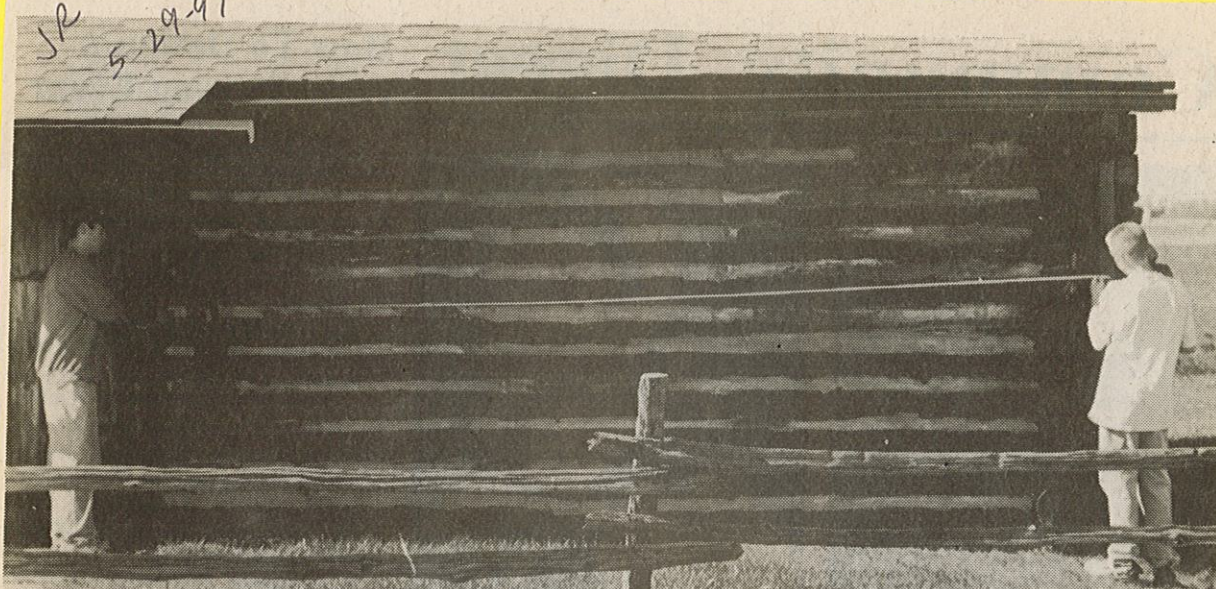
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# The Orleans Gardener



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5/29/97

## June Gardening Journal

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cornell Cooperative  
Extension Agent

I expect insects to come onto the scene in full force this month. Regular close inspection of your garden will reveal problems early on. Catching and controlling the first brood of insects will prevent exponential growth in pest populations later.

Don't purchase any pesticides without reading the label first. Make certain that chemical control is absolutely necessary before purchasing. Simply sighting one insect does not constitute a garden threat. Correct management practices may replace the need for chemical insect and disease control. Squashing the first generation of eggs with a pair of rubber gloves may be all you need. Consider the alternatives to you first. Use your imagination. If you must use pesticides, follow all precautions listed on the product label.

Your garden should receive an inch of water each week. Irrigating

in the mornings during dry periods will keep your plants healthy and more tolerant of pest pressures. The soil is relatively parched right now so careful watering of transplants is important.

Search the surface of your house and premises for new wasp nests and remove them while they are small. Do this on a cool evening, wear protective clothing and throw the nests into an already hot fire to destroy them.

Cut off leaves of spring flowering bulbs when they begin to fade to yellow. Prune any flowering shrubs after they are finished blooming. Cut back one third of the oldest lilac branches after blooming to rejuvenate the shrub for next year.

Make sure to pinch the center growing point out of your petunias at planting or shortly thereafter to encourage a full and brilliant display of flowers.

Pinch back all shoots of your Dendranthemums (Chrysanthemums)

once they reach six inches in height and then once again after similar growth to encourage branching out and a full bodied plant.

Fertilize your garden, especially those plants which have finished flowering. Fertilizer you apply now will determine the extent of flowering for next year's spring flowering shrubs and bulbs.

Hoe your garden every week by scraping the top of the soil to easily remove newly germinated weed seedlings. Deeper hoeing will only uncover new weed seeds and create more work.

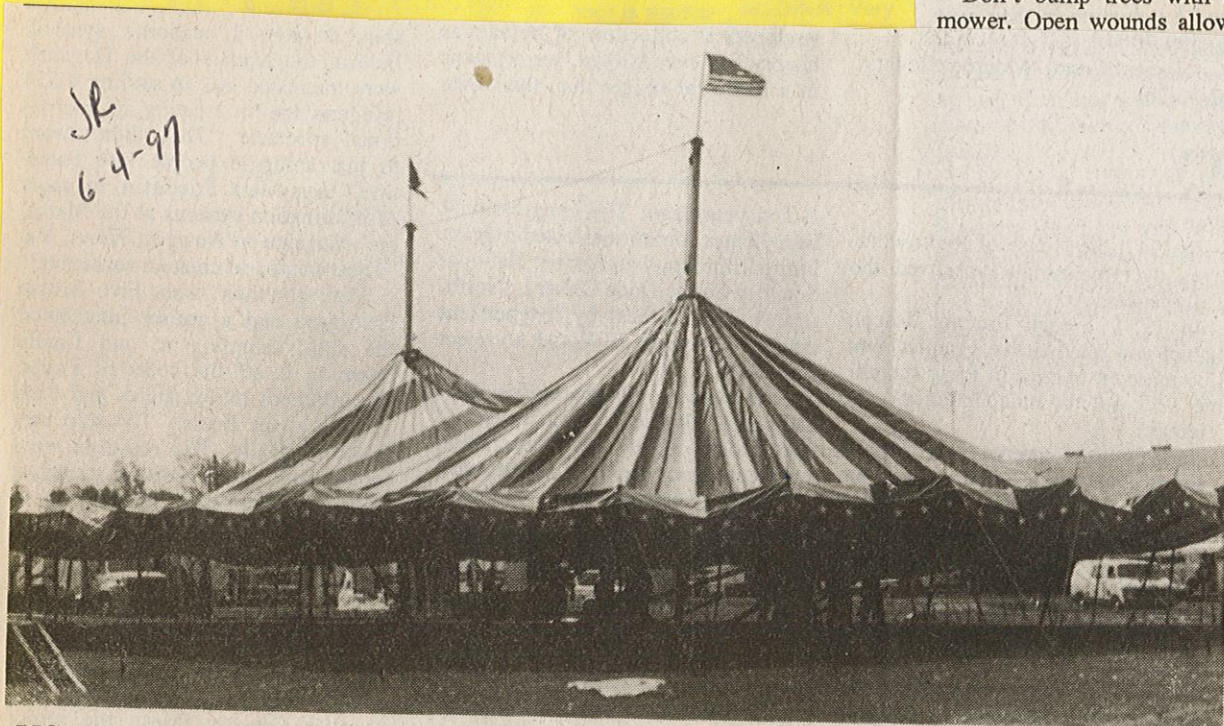
Propagate forsythia, French lilac, weigelia and other deciduous shrubs from softwood cuttings. Rooting hormones will increase your success rate. Propagate groundcovers by division.

Keep on the lookout for the Late Blight fungus of potato. Watch for white, velvety growths at the edges of brown/black lesions. Advanced stages appear as though the plant has been burned.

Don't bump trees with the lawn mower. Open wounds allow disease

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**BIG TOP** — The Walker Bros. Circus visited the area Tuesday, holding two performances at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Knowlesville. Above, workers spent a good part of the morning setting up the tent, with stakes driven in and the tent raised by hand.

(J-R Photo By David Allen)



# Fair Plans New Midway, Lumberjacks

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

A new midway and a lumberjack competition will be main features in this year's 4-H Fair, to be held in July.

The Orleans County Cooperative Extension, which sponsors the annual event, is currently finalizing the fair schedule. This year's event will be held from July 22-26.

"Fairboard volunteers have given many hours of service to bring the community the best Fair yet," said sponsorship chair Nadine Hanlon and CCE Executive Director Shirley bright.

In an effort to expand the fair's selection of rides, Amusements of Buffalo has been contracted to provide the Midway rides this year; organizers said they were impressed with the company's appearance and safety record; it will also provide a greater number of rides.

"There are more adult and teenage rides," said Bright. "It's a notch above what we've had."

In addition, the fair board has arranged for a continuing Lumberjack Show, which will give several performances each day throughout the fair. The move, organizers, was made in response to suggestions

made by area children.

One this that will not be available is a new beef cattle barn. In the planning stages for the past year, Extension officials decided to put off construction to prevent interference with the fair. The site of the barn, which will give 4-H members an additional site to display animals in future years, will be marked off for those interested in looking ahead.

This year's fair will also feature the regular sortment of events, including animal displays and competitions, including special days to honor senior citizens, agriculture and the community.



## The Orleans Gardener

### Are Inch Worms Sending You For A Loop?

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

Inch worms, loopers, canker worms, call them what you like but they are a major pest right now. Calls into the office describing these creatures indicate that the problem is worsening. Niagara and Erie counties have been hit the past few years with this pest problem and the population seems to be drifting in our direction.

The damage from canker worms appears as shot holes on the leaves. Sightings in Medina and Albion have been the most frequent on the "snow ball bush;" however, the



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canker worm is also a common pest of forest, shade and orchard trees.

There are actually two different types of canker worms, the spring canker worm and the fall canker worm. The two are similar in their appearance; however, the spring version has a mostly grayish white head and a mottled brown body. The caterpillar is 1/2 to 3/4 inch in length when full grown and can develop into a variety of colors; reddish-brown, blue black.

The canker worm actually overwinters as an adult moth and immediately lays clusters of silvery beads like eggs in the bark of a host plant. The eggs hatch in early May (usually) and begin feeding as caterpillars. They are known to travel long distances in the wind as they lower themselves from a fine silken thread. This enables them to drift into new locations.

Call me for a fact sheet if you suspect this problem.

**Wet Weather Rots Strawb**  
By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator  
Strawberry plantings are experiencing a variety of fungal infections due to the recent wet and humid weather conditions. Fungal problems such as white rot, gray mold and powdery mildew seem rampant in certain plantings. Symptoms of infection are obvious: white or gray patches on the fruit initiating early decay, foul flavor and leaf spots. Some infections cause a slimy substance on the fruit called mycelium. Mycelium is a pool of spores waiting to spread to a new location. Infections spread when rain splashes the spores onto new locations where they can grow and further multiply. The fruit bud is infected early on, during bloom, before the symptoms are obvious. Applications of a fungicide treatment



## The Orleans Gardener



mont at their home in Stamford.

### Lakeside

LAKESIDE — The Lakeside Park Community Association schedule of events for the neighborhood Independence Day celebrations has been posted in the Community Bulletin Board.

NY FarmNet is a free information, referral, and consulting program for New York farm families, sponsored by Cornell Cooperative Extension.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.





# The Orleans Gardener



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## Help! My Snowball Bush Disappeared!

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

Mountain Ash Sawflies have been the main culprit in the devastation of snowball bushes this year. If you own one of these bushes and enjoyed its splendor yesterday, take another look today. In only a few days this bush can be reduced from leaves to lace. Feeding has also been noted on lilac and viburnum in general. If this describes what you have experienced take note of some steps to prevent further damage.

The Mountain Ash Sawfly does its feeding damage as a larva (caterpillar). It looks light tan/yellow or greenish, about 1/2-inch long with black spots throughout the body,

black legs and head. This overwhelming pest emerged from overwintering cocoons in late May as an adult fly that really looks like a stout wasp. The adult females lay their eggs in slits along leaf edges. The larva begin feeding as soon as they hatch. When the larva are full grown they drop to the ground and spin cocoons. Sometimes a second generation emerges before the season passes.

Insecticides may still be useful in controlling this menace. If you see the feeding continuing, apply a Cornell recommended pesticide to the shrub. If you notice that your shrub is already defoliated then search on the ground underneath the shrub. If

you find these creatures or cocoons about this size then apply the pesticide to the ground area or sweep, rake and burn the debris containing these pests.

Watch for a second generation and keep a special watch for this pest next year at about the same time that iris are beginning to bloom.

In order to help your bush get back on its feet: top trim about 10 percent of the shrub, keep it watered during dry spells and give a light fertilizer solution as soon as the new leaves emerge in a few weeks.

Call me at 589-5561 for a pest control recommendation or to receive a free fact sheet on the Mountain Ash Sawfly.

ONLY 4 WEEKS TO THE FAIR!



**Orleans County  
4-H Fair  
July 22 - 26, 1997**

Route 31, Knowlesville, NY  
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## Hindsburg Hilltop, Towpath 4-H News

Five members of the Hindsburg and Towpath 4-H Club plan to participate in the 4-H Walk/Ride-a-Thon on June 21: Amie Collazo, Kelly Collazo, Anita Snyder, Summer Torrance and Michele Westphal. Also biking will be Dave D'Andrea. The event will raise funds for the Fairgrounds Improvement Fund.

Kelly Collazo attended a Child Development Workshop on "Crafts for 3's and 4's," taught by Jo Ogden at the Holley Community Center.

Anita Snyder served a complete "Irish meal," consisting of Irish soda bread, lamb stew, Irish soda, with truffles for dessert,



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## Great Dinners Scheduled AT THE FAIR!

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**TUESDAY - JULY 22nd 5 p.m. til?**

HAM DINNER - sponsored by  
Girl Scout Troops 2245 & 2250

**WEDNESDAY - JULY 23rd**

**5 p.m. til?**

BEEF ON WECK - sponsored by  
People Promoting Hospice

**THURSDAY - JULY 24th**

**5 p.m. til?**

CHICKEN BAR-B-QUE -  
sponsored by  
Orleans County Cooperative Extension

**FRIDAY - JULY 25th**

**5 p.m. til?**

SPEEDY'S SANDWICH SUPPER



# Community Digest



Laura Shortridge, left, and Genny Griffin display one of more than a dozen baby quilts recently donated to the Family Center of Medina.

## Quilts To Benefit The Family Center

The Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension recently organized a service project to benefit the Family Center of Medina.

The Medina Relief Society, an auxiliary organization of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, provided materials and labor to make more than a dozen baby quilts, which were then donated to the Family Center through the Extension

office.

"It was a matter of seeing a need, and then finding the right people to fill that need," said Extension representative Laura Shortridge. The quilts were completed June 10 and given to Family Center Project Coordinator Genny Griffin.

The Family Center plans to use the quilts for gifts to be given to new parents that visit the center on

Mom & Newborn Discovery Day, a program where mothers share concerns about the newborns in their lives. The day includes viewing a video called "Baby's First Moments ... What Do We Do Now?" and discussions of upcoming life stages.

The Family Center is located on the corner of North Academy and Ohio Streets in Medina. Call 798-8432 for more information.

## Family Center Plans Grief Program *jr 7-2-97*

The Family Center of Medina will present a free program, "Helping Children Cope With Grief," on Tuesday, July 22, at 7 p.m., and Thursday, July 24, at 10 a.m.

The program is jointly sponsored by Hospice of Orleans and Niagara Hospice. Presenter will be Bonnie Kwiatkowski, counselor with the Circle of Hope Center at Niagara Hospice. She will speak about how children handle grief and loss and what parents can do to support their children.

Hospice of Orleans and Niagara Hospice also have displays and representatives will be available to answer questions.

Child care is provided and refreshments will be served.

The Family Center, part of Medina Memorial Hospital's Community Partners program, is located on the corner of North Academy and Ohio Streets, near Medina Memorial Hospital. For more information, call Genny Griffin at 798-6641.



# Orleans Gardener

## Gardening Calendar

gloves when handling blister beetles or knock into a can of soapy water.

Cut out and destroy brown, damaged leaders on white pine and spruce before late July to control white pine weevil.

Check for the powdery masses of white prunicola scale infestation on trunks and twigs of lilac, flowering and fruiting cherry, peach and plum. Treat with summer rates of horticulture oil if necessary and conditions allow.

Inspect euonymus twigs and foliage for scale infestation. Apply summer rates of horticulture oil if needed and conditions allow.

Prune out and destroy brown, hollowed tips of Japanese black, mugo, Austrian and other two- and three-needled pines damaged by Nantucket pine tip moth.

Water trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants well during dry periods,

but avoid wetting foliage for long periods, which favors leaf diseases. Drought-stressed plants may be more prone to disease, dieback or other problems. At least 1 inch of water and/or rain per week may be needed.

A thick (3-4 inch) layer of mulch over the root zone helps maintain moisture and controls weeds. Keep mulch away from direct contact with stems.

Prune off and destroy the pineapple-shaped galls on spruce while green and before they open, to help control spruce gall adelgids.

Water trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants well during dry periods. Up to 1 inch per week of water or rain might be needed.

## Lyndonville Resident Heads Multi-Million Dollar Carnival Business

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haffee and his company defy the

traditional "carnie" image, ensuring his rides are safe and clean. His employees wear uniforms and are expected to behave as professionals. Around each ride are flowers and potted bushes.

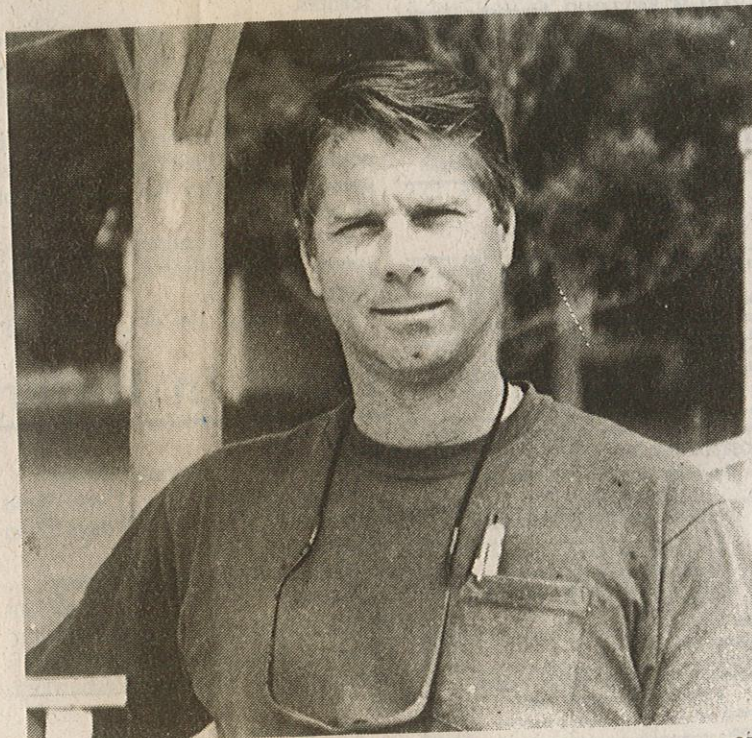
"We have an in-house safety program, our insurance company inspects us on a daily basis and then we're inspected by the state every week ... all the way from here to Florida. ... We go by a national standard. We get inspected by the best. ... Right now as we speak they're out there washing and making sure everything is ready for the public."

The former Lyndonville resident said the carnival business gets more difficult with rules and regulations and "red tape."

"This year, a couple of times, we've even lowered our prices a few times because we've kind of outpriced ourselves in different areas."

Chaffee still has ties to Medina in his mother, who resides in the village, and a brother and sister who live in the area.

"It's been a hard business but it's all worth it when you see the smiles on people's faces."



Former Lyndonville resident Gene Chaffee owns Amusements of Buffalo, providing 53 rides, concession and food stands to carnivals along the East Coast the Caribbean and South America.

(J-R Photo By Bill Robinson)



# Records Grants Awarded To Orleans Extension, Ridgeway

Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension and the Town of Ridgeway have been awarded a total of \$12,846 in grants for projects improving records management, State Senator George D. Maziarz (R/C-North Tonawanda) has announced.

"As a former county clerk, I can attest to the fact that good records management increases a local government's efficiency and effectiveness by cutting down on storage space and saving time in an information retrieval — both which ultimately result in an overall cost savings," said Maziarz.

The Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund, the source of the grants, was established in 1989 by the state Legislature. The fund is based on a small portion of the fees paid when people file or record documents with county clerks and the Register of the City of New York. Under terms of the Legislature establishing the fund, the money is returned to local governments in the form of competitive grants, except for a limited amount that is used for

technical and advisory services to local governments and administration of the grants program.

This year, more than \$9 million was requested, with a little more than \$5 million available. A total of 353 projects received partial or full funding.

Orleans Cooperative Extension was awarded \$5,269 for inactive record storage, and Ridgeway received \$7,577 for inventory and planning.

Applications were reviewed by objective reviewers and the Local Government Records Advisory Council. The council, comprised of local government officials and records experts, reviewed and approved all grants and advanced recommendations of Commissioner of Education Richard P. Mills, who made the final decision.

Grant money will be released to local governments when the 1997-98 state budget is adopted and the State Division of the Budget approves an expenditure plan for the State Archives and Record Administration.



## Orleans County 4-H Fair July 22-26, 1997

**Come See Our New Midway**

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## Family Center Sets 'Coping With Grief' Program

The Family Center will present a free program, "Helping Children Cope With Grief," on Tuesday, July 22, at 7 p.m. and on Thursday, July 24, at 10 a.m.

The program is jointly sponsored by Hospice of Orleans and Niagara Hospice. Presenter will be Bonnie Kwiatkowski, counselor with the Circle of Hope Center at Niagara Hospice. She will discuss how children handle grief and loss and what parents can do to support their children.

Hospice of Orleans and Niagara Hospice also will have displays and representatives will be available to answer questions about hospice care.

Child care will be provided. Refreshments will be served.

The Family Center is a project of Cornell Cooperative Extension and is located at the MMH Foundation/Community Partners Office on the corner of North Academy and Ohio Streets near Medina Memorial Hospital.

Please call soon to reserve your space and also indicate how many different children will need child care. To register or for more information, call Program Coordinator Genny Griffin at the Family Center at 798-6641.

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## JULY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 10: Orleans Community Action Committee - Child Care Resource and Referral Orientation for Family Day Care, Batavia, 10 a.m. Contact Janis, 343-7727.

July 16: Teen Anger Group, Mental Health Association of Orleans County, 113 East State St., Albion, boys age 13-18. Call 589-1158 for more information.

July 16: Orleans Community Action Committee - Head Start Parents Group meeting at Medina Center, 7-8:30 p.m. Contact Pam at 589-5683.

July 17: Orleans Community Action Committee - Child Care Resource and Referral Business Workshop, 10 a.m. in Batavia. Contact Janis at 343-7727.

July 17: Orleans Community Action Committee - Child Care Resource and Referral Video Conference, 7 p.m. In Batavia contact Janis at 343-7727; in Medina contact Jean at 798-1587.

July 22-26: Orleans County 4-H Fair. Fun for the whole family with exhibits, rides, shows, music and much more. For advance tickets or more information contact the Cooperative Extension Office at 589-5561.

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Orleans 4-H Fair features nightly dinners where friends can meet.

## 51st Orleans County 4-H Fair Plans Underway

July 22 will see the 51st opening of the Orleans County 4-H Fair. The Fair will feature activities for youth from "Tots to Teens". For hundreds of youth, early July brings a flurry of activity as projects are being completed and animals are being prepared for showing at the Fair.

"Any youth age 9 years to 19 years of age and a resident of Orleans County are welcome to show projects at the 4-H Fair," according to educator, Shirley Bright.

Although most exhibits shown at the Fair are made by 4-Hers, any youth can show projects they made made in the current year. The 4-H Fair Premium Book lists rules and project information for youths interested in entering items at the Fair. Fair books are available at the 4-H

office at 20 South Main Street in Albion.

The Fair Schedule of events includes a special petting farm, pet show, and a Mini Fire Fighters Bucket Brigade. Youth can also participate in the Pie Eating Contest or the Pedal Tractor Pull.

A Youth Talent Show will be featured on opening night, July 22. There will be family entertainment each night. New this year will be a daily lumberjack show. Youth and families will be able to enjoy the Bart Dentino Concerts, Tom Walsh's storytelling, and the Karnell Magic Show. Teens will be entertained by the New Rage Rock Band on Friday, July 25. On Saturday, July 26, the Lazy T Country Band will perform on Center Stage.

Teens will also find the new Mid-

way to their liking as will the entire community. "We're really pleased to offer a new Midway. Amusements of Buffalo is a top rated carnival. The staff members are professional and the rides are well maintained," stated Fair Board Chairperson, Nadine Hanlon.

Ticketing will include special discounts. Everyday will be Kid's Day. Special discount bracelets will be offered. The bracelet will provide unlimited rides during the featured period. Bracelets can be purchased for unlimited rides from 1-5 p.m. and 6-10 p.m. daily. A new bracelet must be purchased for each time period. Those bracelets purchased before the Fair begins will be discounted \$2. They will be on sale at the Cooperative Extension Office in Albion and at several local businesses.

## Human Services Council Holds A Luau

By ROBBIE HESS  
J-R Staff Writer

The Human Services Council of Orleans County was organized in the 1970's for the purpose of being an informational and referral network. The Human Services Council has become a coalition united to develop, strengthen and correlate activities of various community agencies and groups. Members of the Council represent a variety of groups, including religious faiths, schools, libraries, youth development, health, professional societies and all types of human services agencies.

Human services agencies and community leaders in Orleans County recognize their limited ability to bring about social changes and impact issues when they work alone. By working together collaboratively, organizations of diverse interest can combine human and material resources to more effectively bring about change.

There are currently 44 member agencies and organizations working toward the presentation of a Fall



Pictured celebrating the conclusion of the 1996-97 year are Edna Kriner, treasurer; Jan Albanese, secretary; President Ginny Springer; Bob Galbreath, nominating chair; past president Nola Goodrich; vice president Kelly Spsychalski.

conference entitled: "Communication: At Home, At Work, and in the

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# The Orleans Gardener



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## June Bugs In July

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

The emergence of June bugs in July is just another indication of how far behind our growing season is compared to most years. June bugs can be seen at dusk hovering about the tops of trees seemingly as a swarm of honey bees. This phenomenon is non-threatening and causes little damage if any, but simply instead raises the ire.

June bugs spend most of their life on the roots of established lawns. Their brief visit to out "above ground world" is for the primary purpose of procreating. The bugs hover about the tops of trees, mate with a suitable partner, and then drop to the ground burrowing in to deposit eggs. These eggs then hatch and feed on your lawn until they emerge the following "June?"

The June bug is a tan/honey color,

mostly round and about 1/2 to 3/4 inches in size. They are no threat as adults; however, their damage to your lawn can be significant. There is a lawn pest control product called Merit which provides long-term control, eliminating the need for timely application by grub species. You may want to consider this product in controlling your bug and beetle problems for next year.

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Dominic Charles DiCurela, son of Peter and Bridget, was born July 5, 1997. He weighed eight pounds, four ounces.  
His grandparents are Charles and Bonnie Hartway and Dorothy DiCurela.

### Personals

Grounds at noon celebrating 100th age Day.  
A honey dijon chicken breast dinner is planned along with entertainment provided by Al Howe and his Sing-A-Long group, made possible in conjunction with the Cooperative Extension.

crew places signs promoting the upcoming 4-H Fair.

## Feature New Entertainment

Ag in the Classroom and Farm Net program. The performance is sponsored in part by the Apple Grove Inn.

Back by popular demand is sumo wrestling and karaoke, with D.J.

Brad London, Al Howe Singalong for senior citizens and storyteller Tom Walsh.

With new rides and entertainment, "this fair should be better than ever," said Watts.

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**BIDDERS GET READY** — The Medina Business Association has donated these items to the 4-H Fair Auction. The 4-H uses the funds made at the auction to benefit their junior program. Any group wishing to donate items to the auction may leave them at the Medina Chamber of Commerce office on Main Street. (Back row from left): Pat Kennedy, Donna Mruczek, Nancy Berger, Angela Waldriff. (Front row from left): Mike Cafora and Ken Daluisio. (J-R Photo By Bill Robinson)

## The Orleans Gardener

### SR 7-17-97 Rejuvenate Strawberry Plantings

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

This year's strawberry crop may not have been anything to boast about, but careful maintenance of your patch now is crucial for next year's harvest. Take the time to care for your planting now for great benefits next year. Careful maintenance of your berry patch after harvest is over will insure an abundance of fruit for future years.

As soon as your harvest is complete take inventory of your patch. According to Marvin Pritte, associate professor of small fruits at Cornell University, you should determine if there are any weed or insect problems which need to be taken care of. If there are particular problems which need to be addressed call the Extension office for recommendations.

The greatest strides in broadleaf weed control can be made now.

Broadleaf weed killers are applied after harvest to destroy unwanted plants without killing the strawberries. Strawberries only become weakened and will have ample opportunity to bounce back before winter sets in if given proper care.

Healthy plants should be mowed within two inches of the crown of the plant after herbicides have had an opportunity to destroy broadleaf weeds — about five days. If your plants are unthrifty or showing signs of stress do not further stress them by mowing.

After mowing, apply a complete fertilizer such as 10-10-10 at a rate of one pound for every 25 feet of row. A complete soil analysis should be conducted every few years to identify any particular nutrient deficiencies or excesses. If any deficiencies have been identified a soil analysis can be done by Cornell University Soil Labs via the Albion Extension office for a minimum

cost.

Rototill or somehow incorporate the fertilizer into the soil between the rows keeping the beds at approximately 12 to 18 inches in length. Irrigate the beds to encourage new growth.

Mulching between the rows after renovation will help suppress new weed growth during the remainder of the growing season. Weeds should be kept in check until the first frost in order to reduce their incidence next spring.

Do not cover the strawberry plants with mulch until the ground is cold sometime in November. Thanksgiving is a good bench mark. Remember that the mulch is used to keep the plants cold and protect them from thawing damage during the winter.

For more information on growing the garden strawberry or to obtain Cornell's Home Fruit Planting publication contact me at 589-5561.



## CCE Publication Tells How To Manage Pests Around The Home

Weeds, insects, wildlife and plant disease are a concern to just about everyone, including homeowners and apartment dwellers.

The Cornell Cooperative Extension publication "Pest Management Around The Home" has been a popular reference for many years. Available in two parts, "Part 2: Pesticide Recommendations," has been revised for 1997-98 to include current pesticide recommendations. The 88-page manual contains information on application equipment as well as specific materials to use.

Household and houseplant pests,

annual and perennial plant pests, tree and shrub pests, tree-fruit pests, small-fruit pests, vegetable pests, turf pests and diseases and general outdoor pests are divided into sections. Line drawings of some pests are included as are management notes. Tables summarize pesticide controls.

"Part I: Cultural Methods" contains suggestions for combating pests without using pesticides, including methods for preventing indoor pests, and ways to discourage insects and diseases on houseplants.

"Pest Management Around the Home: Part II, Pesticide Recommendations" (\$74-II, \$10), and "Part I: Cultural Methods" (\$74-I, \$9.50) are available from the Cornell University Media Services Resource Center, 8 BTP, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850. They may also be available at Cornell Cooperative Extension offices throughout New York state where prices may vary.

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## Orleans County 4-H'ers Prepare For Annual Fair

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

KNOWLESVILLE — Sunday evening, two days before the official start of the annual Orleans County 4-H Fair, the fairgrounds was abuzz with the sounds of cows, sheep and goats being herded into the central barn. Volunteers were combing the grounds, preparing booths and tending to last-minute details.

The parking lot was already filling with campers carrying families and

4-H'ers, settling in for a solid week of living at the fair.

At the arena, 14-year-old Heather Conley patiently brushed out the tangles in the tail of her chestnut quarterhorse, D.J., while he was more interested in wandering off in search of more grass.

"It's worth it when you get here. It's lots of fun," she said.

The 51st annual 4-H Fair begins this week, with a few new twists. This year's event, to officially run

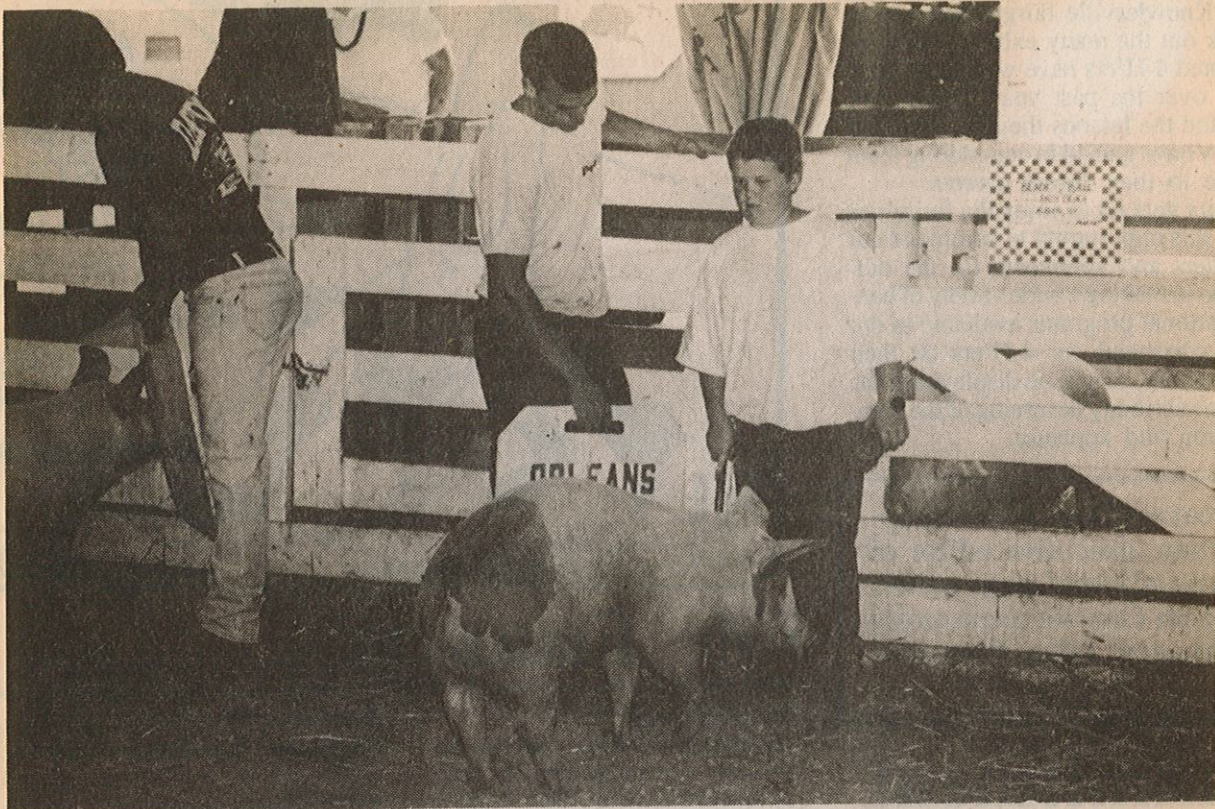
from Tuesday, July 22-Saturday, July 26, will feature a new set of rides, and a series of new events, including a lumberjack show.

In recent days, the fair board and volunteers have been preparing the grounds. As darkness fell Sunday, board member Eugene Smith was busy checking the electrical system. "We've just got some odds and ends," he said, eager to make the grounds ready for the 4-H'ers.

"This is what they work for all year long."







Barre resident Andy Beach works his blue-backed pig around the ring at Monday's Swine Contest at the 4-H Fair. (J-R Photo By Bill Robinson)

## Local Beauties Compete For Top Honors

By BILL ROBINSON  
J-R Staff Writer

ALBION — The primping, brushing and bathing was complete. This is the big moment.

"How's my hair," asked one contestant, nervously stomping in the straw.

"Are my jowls hanging too low?" asked another, concerned about her appearance. The tension mounts as the ladies prepare to be seen.

Yes, this is the yearly swine contest at the Orleans County 4-H Fair. A time for Orleans County's best hogs to strut their stuff in the ring and prove who is "Some Pig."

Mike Adams, a farmer from East Bethany, judged the hogs in several categories such as showmanship, cleanliness, size and proportion. Each human contestant had to move

their hog around the ring to show the judge its best attributes.

Some hogs seemed to have their own set of priorities for the contest, usually consisting of rooting around in the gravel or investigating the crowd gathered by the fence.

In one case, the youthful pig in question chose to race from one end of the ring to the other instead of walking genteelly like her better behaved relatives. Newcomers are so nervous during these contests.

The would-be swineherds move their pigs around the ring with the help of a walking stick. Several of the more brutish swine felt the sting of the stick when refusing to comply with reasonable demands, such as leaving the pen to compete.

Barre resident Andy Beach, proud owner of "Beach" and "Ball,"

described the contest and what it takes to win. The pair of swine seemed quite pleased at the cluster of ribbons hanging over their pen.

"I just walk them around and pay attention to the judge," he said. "I've got to move them around. I can't have them in one place for too long."

Beach described the arduous process of preparing a pig for the competition as days of hosing, brushing, shaving the ears and tails and feeding. The swine are sometimes less than cooperative in this endeavor, chewing on each other's ears, getting dirty at the drop of a hat and continuing to grow hair.

A swine contest is a tasteful affair, allowing young farmers to show off the products of months of hard work and compete for the elusive "blue ribbon."



# Miller Family Shines At 4-H Fair

## Two Generations Of Millers Have Earned Honors At The Annual Fair

By TOM RIVERS

BARRE — Miller family members have been working extra hard the past three months in preparation for the Orleans County 4-H Fair, which they say is a time of unity and fellowship for farmers.

"Anyone who doesn't have animals like this is really missing something," Richard Miller Sr. said last week at the Miller family's dairy farm on Gillette Road. The farm has 500 cows, several horses and lots of chickens, ducks, geese, cats and dogs.

Richard Sr. started showing animals at the fair during the mid-1960s. His wife Ruth showed dogs at the fair when she was a teen-ager. Both of them won awards at the fair.

Richard and Ruth's five children have not only followed their parents' footsteps, but have set a brisker pace.

Last year, the Miller's middle child Kristen, 18, earned grand master in showmanship honors, the top honor awarded during the fair. Two years ago, Vicki, 17, was grandmaster reserve, the second highest honor. Kristen also won the reserve grandmaster award three years ago.

Grandmaster champions must have superior poise, etiquette and leadership skills as well as knowledge and grooming of animals.

Vicki and Kristen both show cows and participate in horseback barrel racing. Every year, they each pick one of the family's 500 cows to show at the fair.

Kristen and Vicki said they spend two or three hours a day from Easter to the fair, working with their animals.

"Once a cow is trained, it will remember it forever," Kristen said, patting Big Red, Vicki's favorite cow. Kristen's favorite cow is named Jessemer.

Cows aren't always fun animals to work with. Kristen has a big bruise on



The Miller Family and its horses and cows have been a fixture at the Orleans County 4-H Fair for years. Family members are pictured with Big Red, a red and white Holstein, at their farm in Barre. From left: Vicki, Kristen, Richard Sr., Richard Jr. and Ruth. Julie and Michelle, and two other Miller children, also showed animals at the fair until they were 19, the last year 4-H'ers are eligible to compete. (Photo by Tom Rivers)

her arm from last week's incident when her 600-pound cow dragged her across the barn. She has also had her feet stepped on several times by the big Holsteins.

Despite the scrapes and wounds, there are enormous benefits to showing animals at the fair, Richard Sr. said, explaining 4-H'ers learn responsibility when they have to care for and train animals.

Kristen said she has also learned poise under pressure. She recalled when she was showing a cow and it stepped on her foot. She said she wanted to yell, but she kept her composure.

Kristen and Vicki said they look forward to the fair every year because they can spend more time with some of their best friends, who also live on farms and show animals.

"We have a lot in common," Vicki

said.

They said the 4-H fair is a friendly competition. Except when the sisters compete against each other.

Vicki and Kristen both said they enjoy horseback barrel racing the most at the fair. When they were younger, Kristen always used to beat Vicki in the barrel races. Then Vicki reigned for a couple of years. Now they each win about half the time.

Vicki said when she finishes racing around the barrels on her horse, the first thing she asks is if she beat her sister.

Kristen attributed Vicki's victories to her larger horse.

"But bigger horses are harder to get around the barrels," Vicki said, jokingly defending her wins.

Ruth said Vicki, Kristen and their three other siblings encourage each other and work together.

Kristen recalled when she was 8 and showing a cow for the first time. She had practiced several months with her cow named Jingles. When it was time for the fair, Jingles was sick. Vicki, despite being too young to compete at the fair, had trained her cow named Leacy. When Vicki realized Jin was sick, she offered to let Kristen show Leacy, which Kristen did.

Before Kristen and Vicki, Julie and Michelle represented the family at the fair. Julie, 27, and Michelle, 25, showed animals, and competed in clothing and cooking competitions at the fair. Julie is also a former Orleans County Dairy Princess, responsible for promoting dairy products in the county.

Julie lives with her husband and in Rochester, where she works at the Ronald McDonald House. Michelle



# 4-H Fair Opens To Good Weather And Crowds

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

KNOWLESVILLE — The sun shined brightly down on the Orleans County 4-H Fair's opening day Tuesday. Large crowds gathered to watch the highly-touted lumberjack show, and a new midway attracted kids of all ages.

And in what has become an annual event, early fairgoers had the opportunity to see a cow giving birth.

All in all, fair organizers couldn't ask for more.

"From my perspective, it looks wonderful," said Shirley Bright, Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension executive director.

In preparing for the 51st annual fair, organizers made a series of small but substantial changes. A new contractor was hired to provide rides, and several new attractions, including the lumberjack show and a magician, were added.

Opening Day of the fair, which runs through Saturday, was highlighted by the opening ceremony, which included a flag-raising to honor local veterans. "The fair board felt

that (it should be done) out of respect for veterans," said Bright, adding that "there were a lot of requests."

Other events included a ham dinner sponsored by local Girl Scouts, an annual talent show and clothing review, and a petting zoo.

The fair's centerpiece, however, remains the farm animals. 4-H'ers from all corners of the county bring cows, sheep, goats, pigs, chickens, and even rabbits and guinea pigs, relishing the chance to put their animals up against their peers in a series of competitions. Also working fair booths and parking duty, many of the 4-H'ers and their families are camping out at the fairgrounds for the week.

"I'm up really late, and up really early. I haven't been to bed before midnight since the fair started," said reigning fair King Robert Batt of Albion.

As darkness fell, Batt and youngsters busied themselves washing and trimming goats in preparation for this morning's dairy goat show. At the other end of the barn, 13-year-old Adam Dresser of Medina was

ers editorial board: Mark Francis, public Greater Niagara Newspapers; Karen Ke Diana L. Healy, marketing director; Lin news editor; Gregory Ross, Niagara Journal-Register managing editor.

## File Features

### Five Years Ago

Marine Patrol, center of controversy since it was announced as a possible cut in the Sheriff's Department two weeks ago, returns to water in exchange for partial elimination of overtime funds to Sheriff's Department.

Fisher-Price Board of Directors declares regular quarterly cash dividend of 5 cents per share of the company's outstanding Common Stock. First cash dividend since becoming publicly traded company last year.

Orleans Probation Director Dean Holland attends state seminar.

New program for student-athletes at Medina High School promoting nutrition and fitness.

Victory in Jesus Gospel Center, Main Street, to present Jennifer Watson in concert.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Bowman of Albion celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 20 at a reception at Christian and Missionary Alliance

### Twenty Years

Three major Orleans County make-up of board create a new government.

Park Supervisor at Pine Street play Guinness Book youngsters to jump the same time. Lists 35 ju

Steve Maier in Medina Jaycees.

Claudia Howell volunteer Medina new members at corps of eight.

### Twenty-Five Years

Dr. Abraham in internal medicine begins practice

Mark Porter, Auxiliary Police teers, congratulate after completing



## The Orleans Gardener

### Cabbage Worms (*Pieris rapae*)

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Agent

If you have ever soaked a head of broccoli for dinner only to find velvety green worms floating to the top you know how serious a problem cabbage worms can be. One home gardener who had such great difficulty gleaning them out went as far to ask me if they would be harmful if eaten!

The cabbage worm (caterpillar) is an imported pest common to this area. It is velvety green and feeds

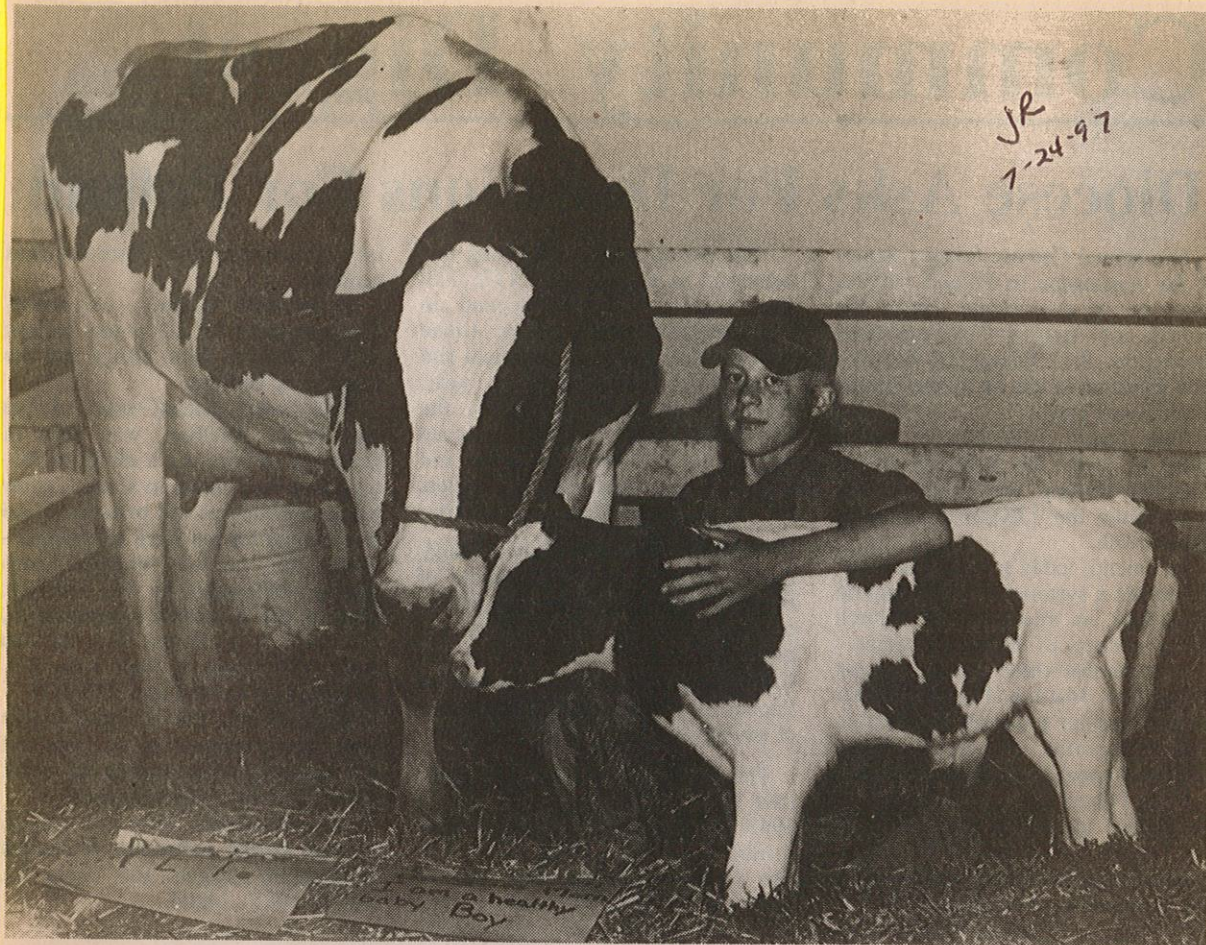
colored eggs are deposited singly on the leaves and begin feeding soon after they hatch. The larvae are first the same color as the egg and slowly turn into the recognizable green color at maturity.

The green caterpillar attaches a silken thread to the leaf and pupates into the butterfly. There can be as many as three broods in one growing season.

Early crops are rarely seriously infested with cabbage worms. But

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you





**NEWBORN** — Thirteen-year-old Adam Dresser of Medina shows off Pop Rocks, a calf born Tuesday morning at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Knowlesville. The calf was born to Pop Tart, one of three cows Adam has entered in this year's fair. (J-R Photo By David Allen)

## A Moooving Job: Trimming Cow Hooves

FOWLER, Mich. (AP) — The customer is fussy after waiting in a long, hot line. She snorts and squirms as Jim Rondy trims her toenails with a sharp tool that looks like a bolt cutter.

"It's the first one who's had a fit," he says, spitting tobacco juice on the dusty floor of his portable salon. "She'll do that 'til we let her out."

If she wants to be consoled, she'll have to go elsewhere. Thirty anxious cows are waiting behind her, and each weighs about 1,300 pounds.

Rondy calls himself a "bovine pedicurist." He and two employees travel to Michigan dairy farms to cut the hooves of milk cows and remove the mud, manure and stones that accumulate after several months on sloppy ground.

By year's end, he says, they will handle 20,000 cows, nearly 7 percent of the state's 328,000 dairy

they eat more, they produce more milk. That's it."

At T&H Dairy, Rondy and co-worker Gary Vitek had a four-hour, 50-cow job ahead of them. They guided each animal into a portable metal chute, slapping the reluctant ones on the rump and shouting "come on, cow."

Once inside, a band of rubber stretched beneath the cow's belly is lifted by a hydraulic hoist, raising the cow off the ground. Then the work begins.

Rondy grabs a hoof and trims the outside with his double-handled "nipper," a custom-made tool with a large blade. He also uses a small knife to scrape debris from the creases. Bits of cream-colored hoof fall to the ground like pieces of carved soap.

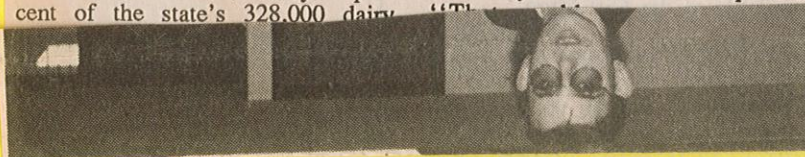
"See, here's a rock in her foot," Vitek says as he removes a pebble.

When he started in 1994, Rondy tended cows at seven farms but is now up to 90. He has competition — there were four ads in the recent Milk Messenger newsletter, including one for a 17-person crew at Davidson Hoof Trimming.

"Good foot trimmers are not lacking for work," says Kent Ames, a Michigan State University veterinarian. "It's dirty, nasty. You better not mind standing in manure and getting stuff under your fingernails."

He says the condition of a cow's legs cannot be ignored, especially when dairy farmers are trying to be efficient.

"Cows were never intended to walk on concrete and be confined," Ames says. "If a cow made 10,000 to 12,000 pounds of milk a year, that was a lot. We've changed them genetically to make 20,000 pounds of milk. Well, we didn't change the



unlucky for many graduates of Orleans-Niagara BOCES programs at the Medina Educational Center. A variety of honors, ranging from savings bonds and scholarships to tool



# County Fair An

## 'Udder' Delight

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By ROBBI HESS  
J-R Staff Writer

KNOWLESVILLE — Although dark clouds threatened, no rain fell to dampen the spirits, or the fairgoers, at the Orleans County 4H Fair on Wednesday.

The fair's second day was filled with activities ranging from dairy goat shows, to horticulture judging contests, to the Karvell Magic Show.

Large crowds also gathered to see man against machine in the lumberjack contest. "I wonder who's going to win," a wide eyed young child said as the lumberjack revved up his saws to compete against a handheld saw. Man beat machine, as the two-man saw made its way neatly through the log before the chainsaw had a chance to lop off its piece of lumber.

Young Amanda DePoty, a first year fair competitor, and her pony Scooter spent time together in the Marcello Arena gearing up for last night's horse driving competition. "I compete in the driving and the English competitions and a lot of others," DePoty said. "I have to do a lot of grooming to get Scooter ready."

Today the 4H Fair salutes Agriculture. The petting farm and Kid's Corner, a daily feature of the fair, kicks off the day followed by many competitions and activities.



Alisha Joslyn of Albion tries her hand at goat milking during Wednesday's goat milking contest. (J-R Photo By Robbi Hess)

Commercial exhibits and the Leaders' Pie Stand opens at noon. There will be a goat milk soap making demonstration at 2 p.m.; lumberjack show at 3 p.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. and the famous pie eating contest is set for 6-8 p.m. A chicken barbecue, sponsored by Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension is scheduled for 5 p.m.

Blacksmith demonstrations, a Bart Dentino Concert, small fry tractor

pull, music by Craig Wilkins Gospel and Traditional Band and a sheep show round out the day's activities.

Friday's 4H Fair offers a Salute To The Community. Horse judging, dog shows, poultry bowl, horse drill and parade teams are a few of the many activities planned. The New Rage rock band takes center stage at 7 p.m. Lumberjack shows and an auction are also planned.



Tim Tower (left) and Tom Metcalf get busy with the pie during Thursday's Pie Eating Contest at the Orleans County 4-H Fair. (J-R Photo By Bill Robinson)

## The Agony And The Ecstasy Of Competition

By BILL ROBINSON  
J-R Staff Writer

KNOWLESVILLE — The group of youngsters waited impatiently for the starter to give them the signal to begin. They've trained hard for this moment and will not be denied a chance at winning the prize.

The crowd waits with baited breath. The signal is given, the cheering begins and each contestant is quickly buried up to the chin ... in pie.

It's not just any pie either, it's Brown's Berry Patch pie. Each con-

as much crust and filling as possible. Cherries, apples and raspberries flew as each contestant vied for the prize of "Champion Pie Eater."

Yes, it's 4-H Fair time and contests like this are part of a time-honored tradition. Thursday saw demonstrations of goat milk soap making, the sheep show, the Home Economics Knowledge Bowl and several performances by the craziest bunch of lumberjacks ever seen south of Watertown.

There was also plenty of music as

at the Cornell Cooperative Extension chicken barbeque and Craig Wilkins' Gospel and Traditional Band performed at center stage.

Some of today's highlights include the Poultry Bowl, an auction at the pavilion, the Horse Drill and Parade Teams and a performance by New Rage on Center Stage tonight.

Saturday will be the last day of the fair. Be sure to attend the Mini Fire Fighters Bucket Brigade, the Lazy T Country and Western Band, Dairy Cow Ringo and the crowning



# More Winners At The County Fair

Many more area youngsters have been declared winners at the Orleans County 4-H Fair. Following are the July 22 lists of those who have won awards.

## Clothing Revue

On Tuesday evening area 4-H youth modeled clothing either constructed as 4-H projects or purchased as part of consumer education projects. Participants were Rachel Preston, Terra Giltner, Sarah Gaylord, Allyson Doherty, Deborah Shortridge, Kerrie Walker, Kristina Gaylord, Julianne Watts, Vincent Flow, Jonathan Doherty, Anita Snyder, Lisa Flow, Carrie Baxter, Karyn Giltner and Summer Torrance.

## Small Fry

### Pedal Tractor Pull

0-39 Pounds — Timothy O'Hearn, first; Adam Hazel, second.

40-59 Pounds — Megan O'Hearn, first; A.J. Keiffer, second; Heather Fearby, third; Willard Martucci Jr., fourth.

60-79 Pounds — Brandy Martucci, first; Russell Maynard, second; Travis Angus, third.

## Stock Seat Equitation

Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, fourth; Maegan Neal on Cornell, fifth; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, sixth.

Senior — Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, first; Kerri Kraynik on Scooter Bug, second; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, third; Amber Nesbitt on Deluxe Investment, fourth; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, fifth; Karrie Syck on Zip-po's Maid, sixth.

## Western Pleasure

Novice — Jamie Kurtz on Carr De Napolis.

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, third; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, fourth; April Korn on Cricket, fifth; Kate Rocco on Jasmine, sixth.

Junior — Meaghan DePalma on Sunny's High Flyer, first; Maegan Neal on Cornell, second; Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, third; Alix Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, fourth; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, fifth; Karen Millis on Big Chester, sixth.

## Cornell Video Discusses Children As Active Consumers

consumer skills.

A five-part leaflet series for adults, "Kids In The Marketplace," accompanies the video. Each part provides practical advice for teaching children important consumer concepts and skills. The titles in the series are "Getting The Money To Spend," "Preschoolers In The Marketplace," "Kindergarten To Preteen In The Marketplace," "Teens In The Marketplace" and "Kids' Decision Making With Dollars."

The video was produced by Media Services and Lois Wright Morton, senior extension associate in the Consumer Economics and Housing Department, College of Human Ecology at Cornell University.

Copies of "Kids As Consumers" may be obtained from the Cornell University Media Services Resource Center, 7 BTP, Ithaca, N.Y. for a fee. Copies may also be available at Cornell Cooperative Extension offices throughout New York state.

Our children often are the targets of international and local advertising campaigns. How do youth really know what they want and what to buy? What are some of the successful ways adults can guide them?

A new video, "Kids As Consumers," will help parents and educators effectively guide children to develop keen marketplace skills. The 22-minute program is useful to home and career teachers, homeschool parents, after-school programs, 4-H clubs and other youth organizations.

While glitzy advertising and gimmicks may seem to rule the learning process, research points to parents as significant influencers of children's consumer behaviors. Youth learn the value of money, what money buys, how to shop and what to choose by their own and others' experiences. "Kids As Consumers" will help adults learn to better understand how children are motivated so they can intervene to strengthen developing

**WORLD FIRE**

Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

**WHATZIT?**

**FOR SALE: 91 Full Size**  
Bronco, Eddie Bauer.  
Clean, excellent condition. \$10,000. 798-4356 after 5:30 pm, serious inquiries only.

**1.5 Boat/Recreational Watercraft**  
20' BOAT & TRAILER  
AGE SALE: Furniture, inboard motor, \$2,000 or best offer. Walker electric down riggers \$250 each. 589-9681

**CHRIS CRAFT 28' Calaluna Cruiser. Sleeps six. Fishing or pleasure. Loran fish finder. Electric down rigger. 15,000 716-798-5429.**

**WHATZIT?**  
Find the familiar phrase, saying or name in this arrangement of letters.

**41 Commercial Property For Rent**  
26th St. to 4th, Jackson St. in Middletown. 3 waterbeds, computer parts, books, bedding, roll bar for S-10. Miscellaneous items.

**REAL ESTATE FOR SALE**  
52 Single Houses For Sale  
CLOSED homes from pennies on \$1. Delinquent Tax, Rep's. Your Area. Toll Free (1) 800-218-9000 Extension. H-2532 for current listings.

**55 Mobile Homes For Sale**  
35 FOOT FAN PARK  
MODEL Trailer. Furnished, 2 pull outs, 10x20 enclosed room. Shed. Located at Pleasant Point Park, Waterport. Price includes lot rent. Many extras. \$12,000. Call 434-2957 or 471-4242.

**GOVERNMENT FORECLOSURE**  
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## People

To The Editor:

Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension and the 4-H Fair are most grateful to the Medina Journal for the support provided over the years. It is with some reluctance that I write this letter.

I do not want to appear ungrateful for all the publicity given to the 4-H and the Fair, but I feel compelled to respond to the article on page 5 of the Thursday, June 5, 1997 Journal headlined "Fair Plans New Midway, Lumberjacks." The article was filled with many typos, syntax errors and misspelled words. It was embarrassing to be the subject of the article.

Although we know how difficult proofreading is, I want Journal-Register readers to know that the Cooperative Extension office was not responsible for these errors. While we appreciate the news article, we are deeply disappointed to see so many typos and editing mistakes.

Sincerely,  
SHIRLEY G. BRIGHT  
Executive Director,  
Orleans County Cornell  
Cooperative Extension



# Fair Ends With Crowning Of Royalty

By BILL ROBINSON

J-R Staff Writer

KNOWLESVILLE — The animals are back in their respective barns, the rides are on their way to another fair, the 4-H'ers who spent last week next to livestock are in their beds. It's official, the 1997 version of the Orleans County Fair is over.

Saturday the fair contestants gathered at the pavilion for the passing out of the awards and trophies. The event was begun by an interview with Harley the Cow conducted by Barry Flansburg.

Harley said she enjoyed all of the attention she gets every year at the fair and is looking forward to the new barn which will be ready for next year's event.

Asked what she found to be the most interesting part of the week's festivities, she replied, "Andy Beach's haircut." The newly-Mohawked young man took the bovine dig in stride.

The evening also saw the second, and most probably last, performance of the "Moocarena" by stalwart dancers Dan Barry, Walter Batt and Ken Eick.

Master of Ceremonies Flansburg required all recipients of awards to take their respective bows.

"Make sure you stop so Mom can get a picture."

"What did you forget to do?" he

subscribed to all the county the winner received a free year's - sponsored by the county newspapers - Orleans County Press bicycle race, Sunday. One of the highlights was the events at 4 p.m. every day except foot races, ball games or other sports. The theme was sports, with bicycle races, ly started on Wednesday, Aug. 11. The a little uncertain but the meeting final- Oak Orchard Park. The beginning was ness with a 10-day meeting held at the way entered the camp meeting busi- salist Cross and Flag Society of Ridge- Rev. John Copeland of the Univer- clogged the grounds on Sunday. workers. Several thousand visitors of earnest, Christian ministers and staff was made up of a goodly number surrounded by a circle of 32 tents. The to Thursday, Aug. 12. The camp Kendall ran from Wednesday, Aug. 4 Free Methodist camp meeting at West tions and camp meetings. The annual August was the big month for vaca- voices, giving him the nomination law of Joseph Hart of Albion, got 27 Supervisor Dennis Everts of Claren- don, a 35-year-old farmer and son-in- from view. On the sixty-first ballot Ridgeway's five votes, then retired



Fair royalty line up for their first picture. (From left) Jennifer Daggs, Allyson Doherty, Anita Snyder, Queen Rachel Tuohey, King Aaron Batt, Andy Gailey, Adam Fisher and Jordie Gailey. (J-R Photo By Bill Robinson)

said to those who forgot to strut their stuff on the catwalk. One winner, young Dan Driesel, refused to even stop as he stormed onstage, accepted his trophy and walked off. Flansberg

made sure he stopped when he accepted his next award.

There was also a rousing game of Cow Bingo on the grounds, proving no Orleans County event is complete

without the ubiquitous game in some form.

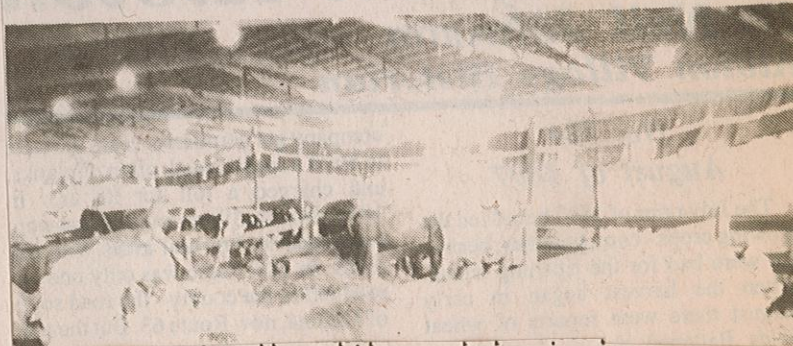
By many accounts this year's fair was a success.

"Lots of fun," said one individual.

From the large number of sleepy heads seen in car windows when they left the grounds, it would seem there were more than a few satisfied customers.

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## Forward To New Barn



The demand for Medina sandstone was spotty in the beginning of August. Supervisor Dennis Everts of Clarendon, a 35-year-old farmer and son-in-law of Joseph Hart of Albion, got 27 votes, giving him the nomination. August was the big month for vacations and camp meetings. The annual Free Methodist camp meeting at West Kendall ran from Wednesday, Aug. 4 to Thursday, Aug. 12. The camp was surrounded by a circle of 32 tents. The staff was made up of a goodly number of earnest, Christian ministers and workers. Several thousand visitors clogged the grounds on Sunday. Rev. John Copeland of the Universalist Cross and Flag Society of Ridge- way entered the camp meeting business with a 10-day meeting held at the Oak Orchard Park. The beginning was a little uncertain but the meeting finally started on Wednesday, Aug. 11. The theme was sports, with bicycle races, foot races, ball games or other sports. Sunday. One of the highlights was the Orleans County Press bicycle race, sponsored by the county newspapers - the winner received a free year's subscription to all the county

means that the village merchant will and buy all the necessities he wants. It spare cash again. He will pay his debts means that the farmer is to have some enduring good to the whole people. It "Dollar wheat means a great and producers: sodized about the benefit to the about the cost to consumers but rhaps the *Orleans Republican* did not worry this was a wheat growing community, to \$1.50 a bushel by Christmas. Since including the 1971 harvest, would rise



# Orleans County 4-H Winners AF 7-30-97

Scores of area youngsters have been declared winners at the Orleans County 4-H Fair. Following is a listing of those who have won awards so far.

## Arts And Crafts/ Housing And Design/ Childcare/Woodworking

The following youth have had projects chosen to exhibit at State Fair: Karyn Giltner, Crystal Gerken, Rachael Tuohey, Deborah Shortridge, Allyson Doherty, Diane Smith, Stephanie Haibach, Kristen Robinson, Chelsie Cliff, Stacey Kirby, Mitchell Fannin, Tiffany Snyder, Jamie Cronin, Christine Cronin, Brandon Neal, Ashley Wilson, Jennifer Robison, Hollie Fraser, Corinne Toenniessen, Jillian Tylec and Nicholas Tylec.

## Baked Goods

The following youth have had baked goods chosen to be presented at State Fair: Tiffany Snyder, Anita Snyder, Terri Cronin, Katie Flow, Shane Derry, Karyn Giltner, Kerrie Walker, Carrie Baxter, Kassandra Cliff, Sally Diesel, Julianne Watts, Jenna Gawne, Ashley Wilson, Allyson Doherty, Stephanie Haibach and Allyson Doherty.

The following youth have had baked goods chosen for the Court of Honor at the County Fair: Crystal Gerken, Andrea Marciszewski, Carrie Baxter, Sarah Wolfe, Scott Marciszewski, Jamie Cronin, Chelsea Wagner, Karyn Giltner, Rachael Tuohey, Nicole Ward, Theresa Sands, Julianne Watts, Chelsie Cliff, Katie Flow, Jacklynn Gingerich, Jenna Gawne, Terra Giltner, Allison Gerken, Scott Marciszewski, Christine Cronin, Jennifer Daggs, Brandon Johnson and Mitchell Fannin.

## Clothing Construction

The following youth were chosen to have exhibits taken to State Fair: Ashton Watts, Julianne Watts, Terri Cronin, Christine Cronin, Stephanie Peglow, Summer Torrance, Lyanne Fousse, Katie Panek, Daniel Fraser, Jenna Vanlieshout, Toya Torrance and Jenna Gawne.

## English Dressage

English Training Level Test I — Jamie Kurtz on Topside, first; Kelly Plante on The Gingerbread Man, second; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, third.

English Training Level Test IV — Jamie Kurtz on Topside, first; Tim Uderitz on Track Lady, second; Kelly Plante on The Gingerbread Man, third; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, fourth; Dan Uderitz on Misty, fifth; Amanda DePoty on Scooter, sixth.

English First Level Test I — Dan Uderitz on Misty, first; Tim Uderitz on Track Lady, second; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, third.

English First Level Test IV —

bitt on Deluxe Investment, sixth.

## Western Command

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Kate Rocco on Jasmine, second; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, third.

Junior — Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, first; Ben Logan on Ultimate Missile, second; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, third; Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, fourth; Maegan Neal on Cornell, fifth; Karen Millis on Big Chester, sixth.

Senior — Amber Nesbitt on Deluxe Investment, first; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, second; Allison Taylor on Bravo Bar Jay, third; Kyle Townsend on Skipper's Lillybee, fourth; Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, fifth; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, sixth.

## Western Dressage

Western Test I — Jamie Kurtz on Topside, first; Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, second; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, third; Meaghan Sweeney on Impressor Always, fourth.

Western Test II — Jamie Kurtz on Topside, first; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, second; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, third.

Western Test III — Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, first; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, second.

Western Musical — Jamie Kurtz on Topside, first; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, second.

## Western Horsemanship

Pony — Christine Cronin on Risky Business, first; Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, second; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, third; April Korn on Cricket, fourth; Kate Rocco on Jasmine, fifth; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, sixth.

Junior — Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, first; Karen Millis on Big Chester, second; Meaghan DePalma on Sonny's High Flyer, third; Alix Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, fourth; Maegan Neal on Cornell, fifth; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, sixth.

Senior — Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, first; Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, second; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, third; Amber Nesbitt on Deluxe Investment, fourth; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, fifth; Karrie Syck on Zippo's Maid, sixth.

## Western Pleasure

Novice — Jamie Kurtz on Carr De Napolis, first.

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, third; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, fourth; April Korn on Cricket, fifth; Kate Rocco on Jasmine, sixth.

Junior — Meaghan DePalma on Sonny's High Flyer, first; Maegan

Chester, first; Alix Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, second; Maegan Neal on Cornell, third; Christine Cronin on Molly, fourth; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, fifth; Ben Logan on Ultimate Missile, sixth.

Senior — Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, first; Karrie Syck on Zippo's Maid, second; Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, third; Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, fourth; Amber Nesbitt on Deluxe Investment, fifth; Molly Tower on Miss Watch Your Step, sixth.

## Western Trail

Novice — Jamie Kurtz on Carr De Napolis, first.

Pony — Amanda DePoty on Scooter, first; Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, second; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, third; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, fourth.

Junior — Karen Millis on Big Chester, first; Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, second; Ben Logan on Ultimate Missile, third; Maegan Neal on Cornell, fourth; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, fifth; Heather Conley on Del's Diamond Bar, sixth.

Senior — Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, first; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, second; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, third; Karrie Syck on Zippo's Maid, fourth; Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, fifth; Jamie Kurtz on Topside, sixth.

## Swine Show

Senior Showmanship — Karyn Giltner, Champion; Robert Batt, Reserve.

Junior Showmanship — Andrew Beach, Champion; Jennifer Bezon, Reserve.

Novice Showmanship — Rachael Tuohey, Champion; Bret Klatt, Reserve.

Master Swine Showmanship — Angela Bezon, Champion (was also last year's winner); Rachael Tuohey, Reserve.

Guilt Class — Jennifer Bezon, Champion; Angela Bezon, Reserve; Karyn Giltner, Robert Batt, Bret Klatt, Blue Winners.

Light Weight Market Hog — Bret Klatt, Champion; Rachael Tuohey, Reserve; Angela Bezon, Robert Batt, Jennifer Bezon, Blue Winners.

Medium Weight Market Hog — Andrew Beach, Champion and Reserve.

Heavy Weight Market Hog — Jennifer Bezon, Champion; Angela Bezon, Reserve; Karyn Giltner, 3rd Blue.

Overall Champion Market Hog — Jennifer Bezon, Champion; Angela Bezon and Bret Klatt, Reserve.



English First Level Test — Dan Uderitz on Misty, first; Tim Uderitz on Track Lady, second; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, third.

English First Level Test IV — Dan Uderitz on Misty, first; Tim Uderitz on Track Lady, second.

English Musical — Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, first; Jamie Kurtz on Topside, second.

#### Horse Showmanship

##### At Halter

Pony — Ben Logan with Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Kate Recco with Jasmine, second; Amanda DePoty with Scooter, third; April Korn with Cricket, fourth; Sydney LaBore with Wild Rose Sanscrit, fifth.

Junior — Jennifer Nesbitt with Sundance, first; Kristina Gaylord with Once Again, second; Maegan Neal with Cinnamon Sweet Buns, third; Alix Kozody with Seven's Ricki Two, fourth; Katie Houseknecht with Summit, fifth; Meaghan DePalma with Sonny's High Flyer, sixth.

Senior — Karrie Syck with Zippo's Maid, first; Amber Nesbitt with Deluxe Investment, second; Jackie Suhr with Loot's Country Storm, third; Molly Tower with Miss Watch Your Step, fourth; Marissa Minier with Cinnamon Sis, fifth; Andy Gailey with Crosswinds Tiara, sixth.

Horse Grand Master Showman — Kristina Gaylord with Once Again, Champion; Karrie Syck with Zippo's Maid, Reserve.

#### Stock Seat Equitation

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, third; April Korn on Cricket, fourth; Kate Rocco on Jasmine, fifth; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, sixth.

Junior — Meaghan DePalma on Sonny's High Flyer, first; Alix Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, second; Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, third; Heather Conley on DeJ's Diamond Bar, fourth; Maegan Neal on Cornell, fifth; Karen Millis on Big Chester, sixth.

Senior — Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, first; Karrie Syck on Zippo's Maid, second; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, third; Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, fourth; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, fifth; Molly Tower on Miss Watch Your Step, sixth.

#### Western Bareback Equitation

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, third; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, fourth.

Junior — Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, first; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, second; Alix Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, third; Ben Logan on Ultimate Missile, fourth; Katie Houseknecht on Summit, fifth; Ben Flansburg on Kip, sixth.

Senior — Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, first; Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, second; Molly Tower on Miss Watch Your Step, third; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, fourth; Kyle Townsend on Skipper's Lillybee, fifth; Amber Nes-

LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, fourth; April Korn on Cricket, fifth; Kate Rocco on Jasmine, sixth.

Junior — Meaghan DePalma on Sonny's High Flyer, first; Maegan Neal on Cornell, second; Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, third; Alix Kozody on Seven's Ricki Two, fourth; Kristina Gaylord on Once Again, fifth; Karen Millis on Big Chester, sixth.

Senior — Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, first; Allison Taylor on Bravo Bar Jay, second; Marissa Minier on Cinnamon Sis, third; Karrie Syck on Zippo's Maid, fourth; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, fifth; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, sixth.

#### Western Reining

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first.

Junior — Karen Millis on Big Chester, first; Meaghan DePalma on Jonny's High Flyer, second; Maegan Neal on Cornell, third; Heather Conley on DeJ's Diamond Bar, fourth; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, fifth; Jennifer Nesbitt on Sundance, sixth.

Senior — Karrie Syck on Zippo's Maid, first; Molly Tower on Miss Watch Your Step, second; Kerri Kraynik on Investor Bug, third; Katie Navarra on Flick's Bar Money, fourth; Kyle Townsend on Skipper's Lillybee, fifth; Jackie Suhr on Loot's Country Storm, sixth.

#### Western Riding

Pony — Ben Logan on Pyramid Pizzazz, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, third; Amanda Depoty on Scooter, fourth.

Junior — Karen Millis on Big

Bezou and Bret Klatt, Reserve.





**HI MOM! — Andrew Beach of Barre shows off more than his pigs “Beach” and “Ball” at the fair. Beach’s pigs took home awards in several categories during the swine judging contest.**

(J-R Photo By Bill Robinson)

# The Orleans Gardener

## Gardening Tips For The Month Of August

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Agent

Let's start August's to do list with some lawn fertilization. Lawns should be fertilized in late August to maximize effectiveness and choke out weeds in early spring.

If you remember how bad your grub problem was this spring apply a product called MERIT now. This new product is effective for a whole year insuring that root feeding larva will be destroyed regardless of what type or cycle it is on. Grubs hatch from their eggs this month and are close to the surface. Call me for more information or to receive a fact sheet on controlling lawn insects.

Don't prune or fertilize trees or shrubs now, otherwise unnecessary late growth will be promoted. The new growth will not be hardy this winter.

Divide bearded iris in early August. Division should be done about every three years or the center will die out and pest problems will tend to show. Dig up the clumps and divide using a sharp knife so that each division has one fan of leaves and several feeder roots. Discard fleshy centers or those with evidence of borer damage. Enrich the soil now before replanting. Cut the leaves back to six inches to improve

the appearance and plant at the same depth as before. Be sure to plant the iris with the fans all facing the same direction for uniformity.

Broadcast oats or rye in empty garden spaces after harvest. The cover crop will grow and then die back as the cold weather comes, ready to be worked in the soil to add organic matter and nitrogen for next year.

Powdery mildew on lilacs, phlox, and bee balm usually shows up about now. Except for extreme cases it is nothing that will do lasting damage. Increasing air circulation during the growing season by pruning and thinning will minimize infection next year.

Be alert and check your lawn for cinch bugs as well as sod web worms.

Dig and divide Oriental poppies.

Continue to water lawns thoroughly during dry periods.

Move budded chrysanthemums into border plantings.

Fusarium and verticillium wilt may be present on tomato plants. Make a note to select varieties next year.

Dead head phlox to prevent seed formation.

Cut out raspberry and blackberry canes that have just fruited.

Pick up any dropped fruit or fallen leaves to control next year's insect

and disease problems.

Continue weeding until growth stops.

Pinch faded flowers and seed heads from summer annuals so they will continue to produce blossoms until frost.

Make a list of garden problems or suggestions for next year now, before you forget. A garden record will help prepare you for next year.

## LaFalce, U.S. Ag<sup>JD</sup> Secretary To Visit<sup>8-14-97</sup>

U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Daniel Gluckman and Congressman John J. LaFalce (D-29, NY) will visit the Niagara County Cooperative Extension on Monday, Aug. 18 at 8 a.m. to speak to area growers and answer questions and concerns.

The Extension is located at 4487 Lake Ave., Lockport.



# Orleans Gardener

## Blossom End Rot Threatens Tomatoes

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

It seems to take forever for tomatoes to ripen. I can empathize with a caller who, like me, finds that after waiting a growing season for the first ripe tomatoes the blossom end is a mere brown mass or rotten vegetable. It's heart breaking. But why does this happen and what can a gardener do about it?

First let me tell you that commercial farmers suffer the same disappointment, only their problem is compounded by financial loss as well.

The condition is most common on the first fruit of the season and although the disorder is almost always referred to on tomatoes it also appears on peppers. Blossom End Rot is caused by a sudden lack

of water during hot periods. Without the availability of water calcium cannot be transported from the soil to the growing point of the fruit. The physiological breakdown of the plant's tissue in the fruit exhibits itself as a small water-soaked area near the blossom end of the fruit. This area enlarges as the fruit grows in size. By the time the fruit is full size the area may be as large as half the tomato. Once ripened, secondary infections may take hold. The bottom line is that they become useless.

Our current dry spell may trigger this condition for fruits in late summer or early fall. To prevent this condition be sure to consistently provide water during dry periods.

Call 589-5561 for a free fact sheet on Blossom End Rot.

**4-H Fair Winners**  
KNOWLESVILLE — Winners of the Small Fry Pedal Tractor Pull for July 26 at the Orleans County 4-H Fair are listed below.

### Small Fry Pedal Tractor Pull Saturday, July 26 Regular Run

0-39 Pounds — Drake Pond, first; R.J. Adkins, second; Tyler Luckman, third; Matthew Clayton, fourth.

40-59 Pounds — Jason Gaylord, first; Adam Owen, second; Mario Reto, third; Shane Kruger, fourth.

60-79 Pounds — Kathleen Reto, first; Tony Adkins, second; James Lee Squires, third; Nicole Bennett, fourth.

### Finals

0-39 Pounds — Tyler Wendell Maxon, first; Timothy O'Hearn, second; Brittney Helsdon, third; Jon Kingdollar, fourth; Drake Pond, fifth.

40-59 Pounds — Shane Nesbitt, first; Matt Sanders, second; Kerri McKenna, third; Jason Gaylord, fourth; Megan O'Hearn, fifth.

60-79 Pounds — Mike Sanders, first; Caton McKenna, second; David Boring Jr., third; Kathleen Reto, fourth; Brandy Martucci, fifth.

The committee wishes to thank the following: Bentley Bros., Albion; Monroe Tractor, Batavia; Niagara Ford-New Holland, Wrights Corners; C.J. Perry & Sons, Gasport; Tri-County Tractor, Batavia; Panek Farms, Albion; Pepsi, Batavia; Orleans County 4-Hers.

## 4-H Dog Club Seeks New Members

If you are between the ages of 8 and 18, love dogs and want to have fun, this is the club for you! The Orleans County Heelers 4-H Dog Program is seeking eight new members to begin another year. The program teaches members about a dog's health and well being by stressing care, grooming and basic obedience.

The program starts with 10-12 weeks of obedience training. Once the kids and dogs have mastered these basic skills, they can move into Showmanship, Agility and Flyball. Other activities that the club hopes to repeat this year are Dog Sledding and an overnight trip to the Buffalo Zoo. The 45 minute classes begin Thursday, Sept. 11 at 6:30 p.m., held weekly at the 4-H Fairgrounds Educational Center in Knowlesville.

"A dog is your child's best friend, our goal is to make that a two-way street by teaching responsible ownership," said 4-H leader Sandy Sucy.

Dogs must be at least six months old, controllable by the 4-H'er on a leash, have current DHLPP and rabies shots and a valid NYS dog license. For more information, or to reserve a spot in the program, call the 4-H office at Orleans Cornell Cooperative Extension at 589-5561.

## Elba Onion And Potato Tour Set

ELBA — Onion and potato varieties, onion weed and insect research and potato marketing will highlight topics during an Aug. 20 onion and potato tour around Elba.

The twilight meeting will run from 5-7 p.m., beginning west of Transit Road. In addition to varietal selection, the tour will demonstrate an on-line NEWA weather station located on the muck, said Lee Stivers, Cornell Cooperative Extension Educator.

Also on the agenda is a discussion of late blight management and NYS-AES support for the onion industry. Attendees will be eligible for DEC recertification credits.

For more information, contact Cornell Cooperative Extension in Monroe County at (716) 461-1000.

## Orleans Gardener Elm Leaf Beetles Hit Shrubs, Twice

The elm leaf beetle is a common pest of elms, highbush cranberry, and viburnum in general, including snowball bushes! The damage they cause is interveinal feeding, leaving behind only lacey remains dangling on the stem. Since the pest is so small they are easy to miss. Look closely and you may find them. If you still see them feeding or present you may use a common insecticide to destroy them.

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

As if the first flush of elm leaf beetle larvae wasn't bad enough or the feasts by the Mountain Ash Saw Fly larvae and the Japanese Beetles, the adult elm leaf beetles are now upon us. These small 1/4 to 1/2 inch size tan/brown and elongated beetles are the latest menace to attack landscape shrubs.



# Orleans County 4-H Winners AP 8/20/97

Western Pleasure — Carly Wells on Cinnamon Sis, first; Janet Zimmerman on She's My Jessie, second; Ashley Taylor on Bravo Bar Jay, third; Scarlett Nesbitt on Roman Red Wine, fourth; Careesa Ettinger on Little Jo, fifth; Reed Heidemann on Andy, sixth.

Western Stock Seat Equitation — Daniel Heard on Stars Matinee, first; Carly Wells on Cinnamon Sis, second; Janet Zimmerman on She's My Jessie, third; Scarlett Nesbitt on Roman Red Wine, fourth; Dennis Lewis on Lady, fifth; Ashley Taylor on Bravo Bar Jay, sixth.

Western Trail — Ashley Taylor on Bravo Bar Jay, first; Ian Pask on Redman Sundance, second; Reed Heidemann on Andy, third; Carly Wells on Cinnamon Sis, fourth; Terri Cronin on Molly, fifth; Careesa Ettinger on Little Jo, sixth.

## Cavy Show

Best Of Show — Ray Toenniessen.  
Reserve Best Of Show — Corrine Toenniessen.

Best Of Breed Awards (Rosettes):  
Abyssian — Corrine Toenniessen;  
Kevin Witkop, reserve.

American — Ray Toenniessen; Ray Toenniessen, reserve.

Silkie — Heather Conley; Heather Conley, reserve.

Teddy — Corinne Toenniessen;  
Corrine Toenniessen, reserve.

Pet — Roseanne Lafferty.

## Rabbit Show

Best Of Show — David Gerling.  
Reserve Best Of Show — Jim Gerling.

Best Of Breed Awards (Rosettes):  
English Spot — Julianne Watts;  
Julianne Watts, reserve.

Netherland Dwarf — Nicolas Tylec; Lyanne Fousse, reserve.

Tan — Jim Gerling; Jim Gerling, reserve.

Florida White — Jenny Daggs;  
Howard Daggs, reserve.

Rhineland — David Gerling;  
David Gerling, reserve.

Satin — Jim Gerling.

Holland Lop — Heather Conley;  
Kelly Ashton, reserve.

Dutch — Sue Gerling; Jillian Tylec, reserve.

Flemish Giant — David Gerling;  
April Korn, reserve.

Pet — Tim Tower; Lisa Berry, reserve.

Mini Rex — Hollie Fraser; Karey Ashton, reserve.

Mini Lop — Sue Gerling; Robert Batt, reserve.

Red — David Gerling; David Gerling, reserve.

American Fuzzy Lop — Julianne Watts.



**4-H CLUB MAKES SIGN FOR FAIR** — Merri Clark poses with a cow after she won the grandmaster showman competition at last month's Orleans County 4-H Fair. Clark poses under a sign donated by the KT Acres Dreamcatchers, a 4-H horse club. The club made the sign because members said there wasn't a decent place for 4-H prize winners to be photographed. Mathew and Fields Lumber Company donated the wood for the sign; Lonowood Art Company did lettering; Driesel's Lumber Company donated cement for the posts; Henda Feeds gave wood shavings; and Partyka Farms donated flowers.

goats. Twenty-three children from age 4 to 11 milked goats and won prizes with the help of Orleans County Goat Herders.

**KNOWLESVILLE** — Winners from events on July 21, 25 and July 26 at the Orleans County 4-H Fair are listed below.

## July 21

### Dog Obedience

#### And Showmanship Show

Beginner A Class — Nick Grubb with his Golden Retriever Abby.

Beginner B Group — Diane Smith with her Chesapeake Bay.

Graduate Beginner A — Ashley Rodas with Meako, her American Eskimo.

Graduate Beginner B — Joli Sucey with Trey, a Sheltie.

Graduate Novice A — Kerrie Stawicki with Katie, an Australian Shepard.

Grand Novice B Class — Kara Goheen with her Labrador, Ivan.

Class — Kerrie Stawicki's Katie.

High Scoring Dog In Non-Regular Class — Diane Smith's Niner.

Other Obedience Competitors — Kayla Sucey, Blossom Davis, Daniel Heard, April Korn, Jorden Gailey, Donald Heard, Jacklynn Gingerich, Kathy Root.

Grooming And Handling A Class — Nick Grubb.

Grooming And Handling B Class — Ashley Rodas.

Grooming And Handling C Class — Kara Goheen.

Master Showman — Kara Goheen with her Clumber Spaniel.

Other Competitors — Jenna Goheen, Joli Sucey, Diane Smith, Jacklynn Gingerich, Stephanie Allen, Jessica Root, Carrie Haylett, Donald Heard, Kayla Sucey, Blossom Davis, Daniel Heard, April Korn, Jorden Gailey and Stacy Knight.

July 25





# The Orleans Gardener



## Webworms Spin Silken Homes

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cornell Cooperative  
Extension Agent

There are a number of different species that spin silken webs in trees and shrubs, the Fall Webworm being the most notorious however. Calls to the office have identified Mimosa Webworms, Uglynest caterpillars, Oak Web worms, rollers and tiers.

You may have seen nests in your shrubbery but not found any caterpillars. Some of these pests such as the Mimosa Webworm are currently in the moth stage. Mimosa caterpillars have been spotted recently and are beige color with black spots throughout their wings.

The Fall Webworm feeds on leaves of fruit, shade and forest trees. They are most noticeable in late summer and early fall when their nests are apparent. The larva spin masses of webs in trees enclosing branches or groups of branches

and then feed on the leaf tissue in this protected environment. This is much different from the earlier tent caterpillar which leaves its nest to feed.

The Fall Webworm larvae ranges in color from a light buff green to black and is quite hairy. The adult ones that probably sat jarred on your kitchen table for a few days are the common tiger moth, white in color with dark spots on the wings. Eggs are laid in hair covered masses on the underside of leaves between May and August. The Fall Webworm is capable of producing two broods each year. The first brood can appear in May but usually is insignificant in its damage and goes unnoticed. As the eggs hatch they spin their web and expand the web to accommodate new feeding areas. When the larvae have reached their full size they leave the web, crawl down the trunk or spin down, and pupate in a thin

cocoon in the debris at or just below the soil surface.

Damage done to plants as a result of this pest depends on the population. Total defoliation of the tree will restrict the photosynthetic benefit of the lost leaves, however the damage usually comes late enough in the season that the leaves have already provided enough nutrients for the following spring.

Natural predators of these pests usually keep populations in check. Chemical control is rarely necessary, however Bt is a non chemical bacteria spray that will destroy the caterpillar as it feeds. The key to using Bt is to apply it when the larvae are young so they have enough time to die after feeding on the poisoned leaf tissue.

If these nests are not part of your landscape plan simply cut them out.

Call me at 589-5561 for a free fact sheet on Fall Webworm.

## Assemblyman Nesbitt Hosts Free Farm Truck Inspection

Farmers looking to save time in having their farm vehicles inspected may want to take part in a Farm Truck Courtesy Inspection Program being held in September, according to Assemblyman Charlie Nesbitt, R/C-Albion, one of the event's sponsors.

Nesbitt and the Orleans County Farm Bureau have joined together to host this special event, scheduled for Thursday, September 4 at the New York State Department of Transportation facility on Route 31W in Albion.

Nesbitt explained that the event is an expansion of similar demonstration projects held in Ontario and Yates Counties. Farm vehicles are inspected and those that have no 'out-of-service' defects are issued a Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) decal, valid for three

months. During that period, if the vehicle enters a DOT inspection site and there are no obvious safety defects the vehicle will not be reinspected.

Nesbitt said if any out-of-service vehicle are found during the courtesy review, the vehicle must be repaired on site or be towed to a repair facility.

"Farmers in the demonstration projects found that this program saves time, that the inspectors were cordial and professional, and the decal helped limit annoying roadside delays," said Nesbitt. "Thus, I am hoping Orleans farmers will take full advantage of this opportunity."

Nesbitt said those interested should call Orleans county Farm Bureau President Karen Watt at 589-8000 to schedule and appointment.

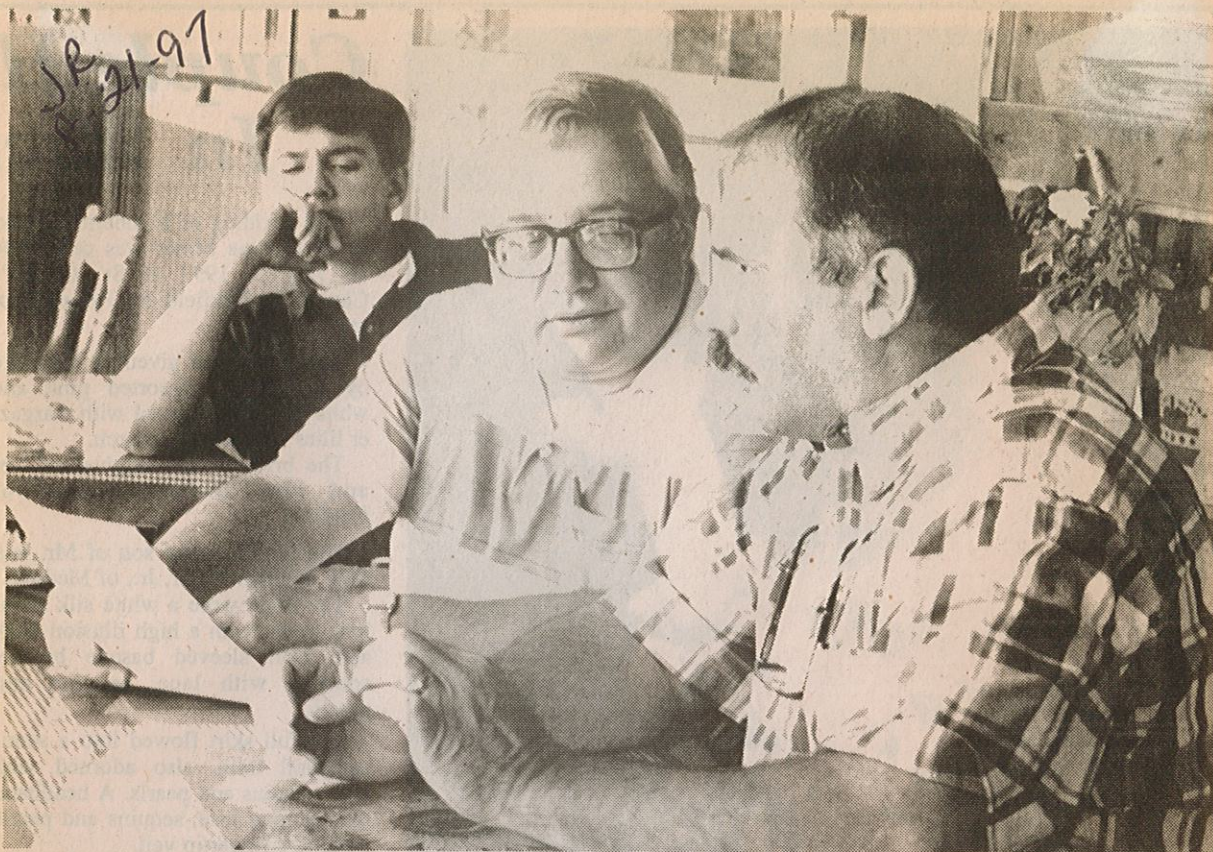
## 4-H Ride-A-Thon Called A Success

The 1997 4-H Ride-a-Thon, held recently to raise funds for Orleans County's many 4-H organizations, was termed a success by organizers.

Summer Torrence was the first to finish for the second year in a row. Jason Witkop, 7, was the youngest participant. Lindsay Voak raised the most money, \$193.

Overall, the event raised \$2,583.95.





Congressman John J. LaFalce, center, discusses a recent immigration crackdown with Albion apple grower Christopher Watt. (J-R Photo by David Allen)

## Immigration Crackdown Leaves Area Farmers Without Harvest Labor

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer and  
the Associated Press

LOCKPORT, N.Y. — An investigation by the Immigration and Naturalization Services has many upstate farmers worried that they will not have enough migrant workers to harvest this year's crops.

Recently, 22 farmers in Niagara, Orleans, Genesee and Monroe Counties have received letters from INS asking for proof that their farmhands are legal aliens. Many fruit and vegetable farms count on the influx of migrant workers to harvest their crops.

The INS will visit farms rumored to have hired illegal aliens, according to INS official Michael McLaughlin. If workers are illegal, the INS will take custody and not allow them to work.

Farmers can obtain special visas for migrant farm workers. But according to INS officials, farmers say the process is too cumbersome and expensive and simply hire any-

one who appears to have the correct paperwork.

Both farmers and the INS acknowledge that it appears that more than half of the workers are here illegally and use falsified documents to be hired.

"We're trying to cooperate with the farmers, but their responsibility is different from ours," McLaughlin said. "Their responsibility is to get the crops in. Ours is to enforce the immigration laws."

Fewer migrants will even travel to upstate New York, fearing the crackdown, said Gary Fitch, executive secretary for Agricultural Affiliates of Wilson, a group that helps farmers find seasonal labor.

"And if we don't get the crops harvested, it's going to mean higher produce prices for consumers," Fitch said.

Rep. John J. LaFalce, a Town of Tonawanda Democrat who sponsored the teleconference, said he is considering co-sponsoring a bill sponsored by House Agriculture

Committee Chairman Bob Smith, R-Ore. The bill proposes a streamlined guest worker program to ease the problem.

Last month, LaFalce met with Albion apple growers Christopher and Karen Watt; she is president of the Orleans County Farm Bureau. They said that earlier this year, an INS representative performed a lengthy investigation of their employee records, eventually giving the couple a list of workers they were told could not be hired back. The crackdown, they said, leaves them and other growers with insufficient time to bring in a complete work force for the upcoming harvest, unable to pick their apples when they ripen, leaving them to fall to the ground and only be good for juice.

"I strongly believe there will be crops that will be lost," Christopher Watt said. "It could be chaotic."

Regardless, a solution is impossible before harvest begins since Congress is recessed until September.



# Immigration Cracks Down On Illegal Migrants

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By TOM RIVERS

Orleans County farmers say they are used to dealing with adversity and uncertainty — the weather, low food prices and high prices for farm equipment — but a shortage of migrant workers poses the greatest threat to their livelihood.

"We're at the end of the migrant stream," said Maureen Torrey, whose Torrey Farms in Genesee and Orleans counties employ about 350 migrant workers. "It takes at least 15 days to replace a worker. We can't spare this time with perishable crops. The weather we can deal with, but this ..."

Last year the federal government approved the Immigration Reform Act, which gave the Immigration and Naturalization Service more authority to send illegal aliens home.

"We have more authority to remove people who are not entitled to be in the United States," said Mike McLaughlin, the assistant director of investigations with INS in Buffalo.

Chris Watt, who owns an Orleans County fruit farm with his wife Karen, said the government failed to analyze the catastrophic consequences of the new immigration law. Watt said the Government Accounting Office will release a study in December detailing the consequences of the new law.

Watt said the new law could hurt many local farmers. Many farms could lose huge chunks of their crops and money because they will not have enough workers to harvest crops, he said.

"We're in a push come shove situation here," he said. "This is one of the worst situations I've been in. The (immigration crackdown) is pushed extremely hard here. (INS officials) are hounding the roads every day."

Gary Finch, the executive director of Agricultural Affiliates in Wilson, said INS officials are targeting farms north of Batavia to Lake Ontario. He said there are already labor shortages, and he expects the problem to intensify during the harvest season.

The labor shortage will reduce the food supply produced by local growers, in turn causing food prices to rise,

state."

"INS isn't targeting any area of the country or state," McLaughlin said. INS has notified 22 farms in Genesee, Orleans, Niagara and Monroe counties that they will be audited.

INS is checking the I-9 forms of farm workers. The forms document U.S. residency. Workers should have one of the following: birth certificate, U.S. passport, social security card, driver's license, green card.

It is often difficult to tell if the documents are real, McLaughlin said.

"We're not pushing for farmers to become immigration officers," he said. "We're just making sure workers have the appropriate documentation."

Farmers say many of their workers are using false papers. But because it is so difficult to determine which papers are genuine and which are phony, farmers often unintentionally hire illegal workers. These workers often only stay a couple of months and then move elsewhere in the country or state for work, farmers said. Most of the workers are from Mexico. They come to the United States for farm work because they can make more money than at home, farmers said.

The migrant farm workers are not preventing local people from doing farm work. Local farmers said few Orleans County residents want to do the work, which Torrey said is skilled labor.

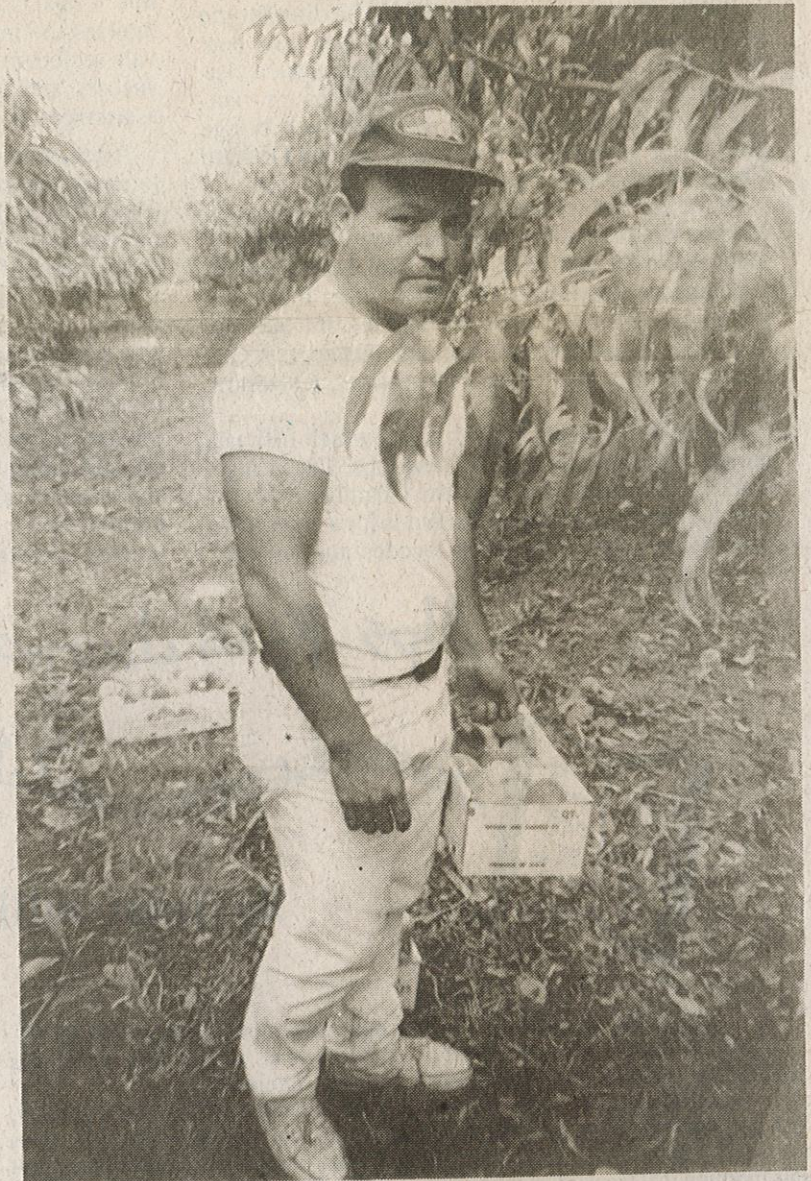
"I couldn't pick apples," she said. "It takes highly skilled workers to pick apples without bruising them."

If the apples are bruised or picked before they are mature, people won't buy them, farmers said.

Local farmers said migrant workers are treated well. Many receive free housing, health benefits and some farms even include retirement programs.

"We are not looking for cheap labor," Torrey said. "These workers are expensive."

Farmers said they want to play by the right rules in keeping workers, but they said a feasible guest worker program is needed or else one of the country's, state's and country's largest



Martin Vallejo picks peaches at Watt Fruit Farm in the town of Gaines last Friday. Vallejo and two of his cousins, all from Mexico, have worked at the farm for several years. (Photo by Tom Rivers)

last year, is considering co-sponsoring a bill setting up a guest worker program. This program could not be implemented by the September harvest season.

"We perceive bidding wars among

the morning, but not in the evening." The higher wages will drive food prices up, Watt said.

"(The Immigration Reform Act) is a classic case of the federal government acting on the emotions of a few, but



# Orleans County 4-H Winners JFA 8/27/97

Cronin on Ivory, third; Heather Conley on DeJ's Diamond Bar, fourth; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, fifth; Katie Houseknecht on Summit, sixth.

Senior — Karrie Syck on Sugar, first; Jamie Kurtz on Carr De Napoli, second; Molly Tower on Dolly, third; Katie Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, fourth; Kate Rocco on Honor, fifth; Ron Ettinger on Dan, sixth.

## Clover Barrels:

Pony — Chris Kozody on Patchouli, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second.

Junior — Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, first; Karen Millis on Big Chester, second; Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, third; Jamie Cronin on Ivory, fourth; Danielle Montague on Bubby's Little Buddy, fifth; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, sixth.

Senior — Karrie Syck on Sugar, first; Kristin Miller on Miss Independence Baby, second; Vicki Miller on Misty Rose, third; Kate Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, fourth; Keli Plante on The Gingerbread Man, fifth; Jamie Kurtz on Carr De Napoli, sixth.

## Texas "T" Barrels:

Pony — Chris Kozody on Patchouli, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second.

Junior — Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, first; Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, second; Heather Conley on DeJ's Diamond Bar, third; Karen Millis on Big Chester, fourth; Jamie Cronin on Ivory, fifth; Katie Houseknecht on Summit, sixth.

Senior — Karrie Syck on Sugar, first; Molly Tower on Dolly, second; Kristin Miller on Miss Independence Baby, third; Keli Plante on The Gingerbread Man, fourth; Vicki Miller on Misty Rose, fifth; Rachael Rice on Lily Destiny, sixth.

## Quadrangle Barrels:

Pony — Chris Kozody on Patchouli, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second.

Junior — Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, first; Karen Millis on Big Chester, second; Jamie Cronin on Ivory, third; Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, fourth; April Korn on Cricket, fifth; Katie Houseknecht on Summit, sixth.

Senior — Molly Tower on Dolly, first; Vicki Miller on Misty Rose, second; Kristin Miller on Miss Independence Baby, third; Keli Plante on The Gingerbread Man, fourth; Katie Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, fifth; Rachel Rice on Lily Destiny, sixth.

## Pole Bending:

Pony — Chris Kozody on Patchouli, first; Christine Cronin on Risky Business, second.

Junior — Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, first; Karen Millis on Big Chester, second; Rebekah Kurtz on Jenny's Walk, third; Katie Cobb on Gremlin, fourth; Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty, fifth; Sydney LaBore on Wild Rose Sanscrit, sixth.

Senior — Karrie Syck on Sugar, first; Molly Tower on Dolly, second; Kristen Miller on Miss Independence Baby, third; Kelly Plante on The Gingerbread Man, fourth; Amber Nesbitt on Cynabar, fifth; Vicki Miller on Misty Rose, sixth.

## Mini Firefighters

### Bucket Brigade

Ridgeway Fire Department was at the Mini Firefighters Bucket Brigade to help out again this year. Walter Batt talked to the children about fire safety. Everyone had a fun and wet time. Winners were:

Age 3-5 Group — Tyler Luckman, age 3.

Age 6-8 Group — Mario Reto, age 7, first; Clarissa Steier, age 6, second.

Age 8-10 Group — Kathy Reto,

age 10, first; Meagan and Angela Blums, age 9, tied for second.

## Petting Farm

What fun we had at the Petting Farm again this year! The Petting Farm featured Matilda the Wallaby, Jove the Hedgehog, Captain G the Llama, Misty the Miniature Horse and Annie her 3-week-old filly. There were fun games to play and pictures taken with Ms. Kangaroo.

## Pet Show

Most Unique — Brendan Doherty with George his Hermit Crab.

Smallest Pet — Ryan Fannin with Fish, his goldfish.

Fluffiest — Desi Lang with his dog Casey.

Friendliest — Lynzy Zielonko with Lady, her Springer Spaniel.

Cutest — Sony Bowen with Lenny, her Guinea Pig.

Biggest Pet — Emily Dodson with Zeus, her calf.

Youngest Owner — Jordan Wallace, 9 months old, with his puppy Kallie.

The children were also judged on how well they were able to tell the judges about their pet (age of their pet, what they eat, how long they had their pets, etc.).

Eliza Damery with Tulip, her cat, first; Haley Meaghen with Wilber, her chicken, second; Amanda Smith with Cheeko, her Chinchilla, third; Matthew Zielonko with Sonic, his hedgehog, third; Amanda Flansburg with Milky Way, her rabbit, fourth; Christine Schribner with Oliver, her kitten, fifth.

Other Participants — Cassie Heintz, Chris Flansburg, Ridley Haibach, Aaron Clark, Amber Dodson, Dylan Howes, Candace Oliver, Kayla Kyle, Tyler Williams, Russell Maynard, Kerri-Betsey-Jenny McKenna, Caleb Cobb, Brandon Fisher, Kristen Marciszewski, Leia Fannin, Marissa Tetrault.

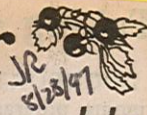
## Buy Smart When Purchasing Topsoil

Thinking about buying topsoil for your yard or garden? Be careful. There's no legal definition of what constitutes topsoil and no guarantee that the soil for sale is any better than the soil you already have. It may even be worse. Good topsoil should be mostly sand and silt with 25 percent or less clay. Try the squeeze test. A handful of soil should form a ball when squeezed, yet crumble easily. Want to know more? Contact Cornell Cooperative Extension.





# The Orleans Gardener



## The September Garden Is Upon Us!

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

September is an excellent time to transplant trees and shrubs. There is still plenty of time left for growth and the hot weather should, for the most part, be behind us.

Lawn grubs are young and still near the soil surface. Mid August and early September are ideal for eradicating turf insect problems. If you find more than 10 grubs per square feet you may want to use a new chemistry now available that provides year-long control of grubs.

Start planting spring flowering bulbs and keep them well watered. Be sure to select bulb varieties and types that will bloom progressively from March through June.

Test your soil pH now and add lime or sulfur if necessary. Adding amendments to the soil in the fall allows time for the soil to react with the amendments and change pH

before the growing season next year.

Recondition or replace your lawn this month. Most lawn weeds are annuals and die back every year, regrowing from seed the following spring. Starting a new lawn in the fall allows the grass to have a jump start on weeds next spring.

Applications of 10-6-4 to your lawn at a rate of 10 pounds per 1,000 square feet will rejuvenate it. Do not apply nitrogen fertilizer to other outdoor plants because it will reduce their cold hardiness.

Dig up summer bulbs after first frost and place where they will dry but not freeze. Once dry, place in slightly moistened peat moss and store in a cool location.

Sow a cover crop of oats or rye where garden vegetables were planted. The annuals will die back with the winter snows and can be plowed under in the spring to improve the soil condition. Cover

crops will also reduce erosion problems and nutrient loss.

Don't panic if your evergreens shed old needles. This is a natural occurrence.

Start a compost pile with fall yard waste accumulated from your gardens. Clean up all fruit drops and garden waste to control insect and disease problems for next year.

Never prune in the fall. Pruning encourages new growth. New growth in the fall will only die off this winter.

Cut back flowering perennials right to the ground once they are through flowering and their leaves begin to fade. Leave a few seed heads if you want them to self sow. According to Amy Ivy of Essex County Extension, flowers which are especially good self sowers include: lupines, coreopsis, calendula, nigella, pansy, nicotiana, ox-eye daisy, columbine and alyssum.

## 1997 4-H FAIR RESULTS

*Lake County 8-22-97*  
**This year's Court of Honor for King** - Aaron Batt, Andy Gailey, Jim Gerling, and Ray Toenniessen.

**This Year's Court of Honor for Queen** - Karyn Giltner, Diane Smith, Anita Snyder and Rachael Tuohey.

**This year's Court of Honor for Prince** - Howard Daggs, Adam Fisher, Dan Fraser, Jordie Gailey.

**This Year's Court of Honor for Princess** - Jennifer Daggs, Allyson Doherty, Kristina Gaylord, and Caton McKenna.

### Event: Mini Firefighters Bucket Brigade

Winner of the 3-5 age Group was Tyler Luckman Age 3; 6-8 Group 1st Mario Reto Age 7; 2nd Clarissa Steier Age 6; 8-10 Group 1st Kathy Reto Age 10; Tied for 2nd place Megan & Angela Blums Age 9, Thanks to everyone that helped out.

### Event: Pet Show

**Most Unique-Brendan Dorherty** ("George-Hermitt Crab"), **Smallest Pet** - Ryan Fannin (Fish-Goldfish), **Fluffiest** - Desi Lang (Casey-Dog), **Friendliness** - Lyhzy Zielonko (Lady - Springer Spaniel), **Cutest** - Sonya Bowen (Lenny - Guinea Pig), **Biggest Pet** - Emily Dodson (Zeus - Calf), **Youngest Owner** - Jordan Wallace (9 mos. old with his puppy Kallie.) Judged on how well they were able to tell about their pet. **1st Place** - Eliza Damery (Tulip - Cat), **2nd Place** - Haley Meaghen (Wilber - Chicken), **3rd Place** - Amanda Smith (Cheeko - Chinchilla), **3rd Place** - Matthew Zielonko (Sonic - Hedgehog).

### Event: 4-H Club Volleyball Tournament

**Winners:** Rabbit Raisers - Katie Forder, Kerri McKenna, Caton McKenna, Jason Witkop, Kevin Witkop and David Gerling.

### Event: 4-H Dairy Cattle Show

**Novice Showmanship:** Alex VanLieshout; **Reserve Novice Showmanship:** Sarah Gaylord; **Junior Showmanship:** Karen Eick; **Reserve Jr. Showmanship:** Kevin Eick; **Senior Showmanship:** Vicki Miller; **Reserve Sr. Showmanship:** Julie Beach; **Master Dairy Showman for 1997** - Karen Eick; **Reserve Master Showman:** Vicki Miller.

**Holstein:** Jr. Champion: Alex VanLieshout w/ "Sundae"; **Reserve Jr. Champion:** Kristen Miller w/ "Jessemer"; **Sr. Champion:** Chrissy Beach w/ "Magic"; **Reserve Sr. Champion:** Ben Flansburg w/ "Harley"; **Grand Champion:** Chrissy Beach w/ "Magic"; **Res. Grand Champion:** Ben Flansburg w/ "Harley". **Brown Swiss:** Jr. Champion: Kevin Eick w/ "Eclipse"; **Res. Jr. Champion:** Andrew Eick w/ "Beatrice"; **Sr. Champion:** Karen Eick w/ "Olive Oyl"; **Res. Sr. Champion:** Joe Mathes w/ "Cookie"; **Grand Champion:** Karen Eick w/ "Olive Oyl"; **Res Grand Champion:** Joe Mathes w/ "Cookie".

**Ayrshire:** Jr. Champion: Christopher Driesel w/ "Tonya"; **Res Jr. Champion:** Amanda Hilfiker w/ "Honeydrop"; **Grand Champion:** Christopher Driesel w/ "Tonya"; **Res Grand Champion:** Amanda Hilfiker w/ "Honeydrop".

**Jersey:** Jr. Champion: Julie Beach w/ "Lori"; **Res. Jr. Champion:** Sarah Gaylord w/ "Abigail"; **Sr. Champion:** Julie Beach w/ "Patty"; **Res. Sr. Champion:** Julie Beach w/ "Julip"; **Grand Champion:** Julie Beach w/ "Patty"; **Res. Grand Champion:** Julie Beach w/ "Julip".

**Guernsey:** Jr. Champion: Caton McKenna w/

## 1997 4-H FAIR RESULTS

### Lake County Events: Baked Goods 9-8-97

The following have had baked goods chosen to be presented at State Fair: Tiffany Snyder, Anita Snyder, Terri Cronin, Katie Flow, Shane Derry, Karyn Giltner, Kerrie Walker, Carrie Baxter, Kassandrea Cliff, Sally Diesel, Julianne Wats, Jenna Gaune, Ashley Wilson, Allyson Doherty, Stephanie Haibach. The following youth had baked goods chosen for the Court of Honor at the County Fair: Crystal Gerken, Andrea Marchiszewski, Carrie Baxter, Sarah Wolfe, Scott Marciszewski, Jamie Cronin, Chelsea Wagner, Karyn Giltner, Rachel Tuohey, Nicole Ward, Theresa Sands, Julianne Wats, Chelsie Cliff, Katie Flow, Jacklynn Gingerich, Jenna Gawne, Terra Giltner, Allison Gerken, Scott Marciszewski, Christine Cronin, Jennifer Daggs, Brandon Johnson, Mitchell Jannin.

### Event: Clothing Construction

Exhibits chosen for State Fair: Ashton Wats, Julianne Wats, Terri Cronin, Christine Cronin, Stephanie Peglow, Summer Torrance, Lyannne Fousse, Katie Panek, Daniel Fraser, Jenna Vanhieshout, Toya Torrance, Jenna Gawne.

### Event: Arts & Crafts/Housing & Design/Childcare/Woodworking

Exhibits chosen for State Fair: Karyn Giltner, Crystal Gerken, Rachael Tuohey, Deborah Shortridge, Allyson Doherty, Diane Smith, Stephanie Haibach, Kristen Robinson, Chelsie Cliff, Stacey Kirby, Mitchell Fannin, Tiffany Snyder, Jamie Cronin, Christine Cronin, Brandon Neal, Ashley Wilson, Jennifer Robison, Hollie Fraser, Corinne Toenniessen, Jilian Tylec, Nicholas Tylec.

### Event: Poultry Show

Poultry show was held Thursday, July 24. Here are results: **Standard Bred Large & Bantam (Hen):** Best: Charles Maynard; **Reserve:** Charles Maynard, **Cock:** Best Charles Maynard, **Reserve:** Devin Lewis, **Cockerel:** Best: Caleb Cobb, **Reserve:** Robert Maynard, **Pullet:** Best & Reserve: Robert Maynard, **Young Pair:** Best: Sean Meagher, **Reserve:** Charles Maynard, **Old Pair:** Best: Joseph Mathes, **Reserve:** Joseph Mathes; **Young Trio:** Best: Robert Maynard; **Reserve:** Charles Maynard, **Old Trio:** Best: Charles Maynard, **Reserve:** Jonathan Dodson. **Eggs:** Best: Lyanne Fousse, **Reserve:** Carrie Baxter. **Other Fowl, Old Female - Best:** Joe Clark; **Reserve:** Andrea Marciszewski, **Other Fowl Young Male:** Best: Robert Maynard, **Reserve:** Andrea Marciszewski; **Other Fowl - Young Female:** Best: Charles Maynard, **Reserve:** Andrea Marciszewski, **Other Fowl - Old Male:** Best: Galen Lewis, **Reserve:** Galen Lewis. **Novice Showman:** Sean Meagher; **Reserve:** Caton McKenna; **Junior Showman:** Robert Maynard; **Reserve:** Charles Maynard; **Senior Showman:** Robin Lewis; **Reserve:** Andrea Marciszewski; **Master Showman:** Galen Lewis; **Reserve:** Robin Lewis.

### Event: 4-H Sheep Show

**Junior Sheep showmanship:** 1st Dorothy Dresser, 2nd Sally Driesel. **Senior Showmanship:** 1st Joseph Clark, 2nd Dan Dresser, 3rd Aaron Batt. **Novice Showmanship:** 1st Diane Smith, 2nd Jessica Marek, 3rd Jason Harrington. **Master Showmanship:** 1st Joseph Clark, 2nd Merri Clark, **Halter Showmanship:** 1st Merri Clark, 2nd Joseph Clark, **Dorsit Breed Classes:** **Class 22 Spring Ram** 1st Jessica Marek, 2nd Joseph Clark, 3rd Joseph Clark. **Class 25**





# The Orleans Gardener



## Storing Vegetables To Retain Optimum Quality

JR  
9-11-97

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

Growing your own vegetables or purchasing them from a local farm market allows you to buy produce at its peak maturity. Produce which is shipped from miles away is often harvested well before optimum ripening and flavor development. Storing these vegetables is just as important, if not more so, to insuring a high quality product.

**Beets** — can be stored right in the garden where they grew if mulched under 1½ to 2 feet of some type of insulation. If lifted out at harvest allow dirt to dry, shake off dirt, leaving root intact, cut stems to one inch in length, do not wash. Store in high humidity at 32 degrees F.

**Brussel Sprouts** — can withstand some light freezing and can be stored in the garden for several months. If stored in a root cellar on the stem, insure insulation. Freezing is a good alternative.

**Cabbage** — can be pulled up root intact after the first frost, discarding the outer leaves and any infestations of insects. Hang up the cabbage by their roots or wrap in several sheets of newspaper to contain their odor and place in a crate or box in an outside pit, trench or buried container. A very moist storage area with 32 to 35 degrees F. are ideal conditions.

**Carrots** — can also be left in the ground under one foot of insulation during cold winters and dug as

needed. Lift carrots out of the ground before ground freezes if indoor storage is used. Dry and remove soil around root, cut stem close to the root and pack in fresh straw dust and very moist at 32 degrees F.

**Cauliflower** — can be stored for a brief period without leaves attached, covered with sand. You may choose to leave it in the ground as it can withstand early frosts.

**Dry Beans** — should be allowed to dry in the pods on the vines or out of the soil. Beans can be removed when dry by striking the bean plant on the inside of a barrel. Allow the beans to continue drying. Store beans in a cool, dry place (32-50 degrees), they will not be harmed by freezing.

**Garlic** — should be air dried out of direct sun for two to three weeks until the roots are completely dry. Cut roots one inch from the bulb. Store in dark, airy place (at 32 degrees if possible).

**Leeks** — can be stored in the garden after insulating material.

**Onions** — should first be cured (allowed to dry) and then stored the same as garlic.

**Parsnips** — become sweeter after the first frost. They can be stored under insulation in the garden where they grew or in cellars and pits with other root crops.

**Potatoes** — can be dug up, being careful not to bruise them when the

"vines" have died down completely and when the ground is dry. Cure at 45 to 60 degrees F. in darkness for 10 to 14 days. Continue to store at 40 degrees in moist conditions.

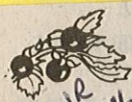
**Sweet Peppers** — keep for short periods in a perforated bag in a cool place. Freezer storage is your best option.

**Tomatoes** — are prone to anthracnose unless previous treatment was used. Your best bet may be freezing or otherwise processing them. Mature, green to slightly pink tomatoes can be spread on a rack covered with newspapers and left at 55-60 degrees F. in a moist location. Check every few weeks and remove any spoiled fruit.

**Turnips** — should be harvested before fully mature. Remove stems to one inch and store like beets. Keep separated from other vegetables due to their strong odor.

**Winter Squash** — must remain on the plants until fully mature. Harvest plants with one inch of stem attached before a hard frost comes. Cure in a warm, dry place (75-80 degrees) for 10 days and then keep dry at 50 to 55 degrees. Check every two weeks and discard any moldy squash. Wipe the remaining squash with an oiled cloth.

For more information on storage of fruits and vegetables call 589-5561 and ask about our 30-page publication: Home Storage of Fruits and Vegetables.



# The Orleans Gardener



## Don't Forget To Control Peach Leaf Curl

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

It is common that problems and the symptoms which identify them are noticed at times other than when they can be affected. A distorted fruit leaf caused by a fungus may have done its damage by the time it is recognized.

Peach leaf curl is one such infection which takes hold as the leaves are unfolding in the spring. Peach leaf curl can be controlled any time after the leaves have fallen in autumn and throughout the dormant season until about three weeks

before the buds begin to swell. Sprays applied beyond this period are ineffective.

Each leaf curl is an infection by the fungi *Taphrina deformans* affecting peaches, nectarines, almonds and apricots. The fungus attacks the developing leaves causing them to grow distortedly, turn yellow and drop, resulting in complete defoliation. This loss of leaf surface and inability to thrive makes the plant less winter hardy and may threaten its very survival. Young fruit and twigs are equally susceptible to its damage.

As with all fungi splashing rain further spreads the infection which overwinters in the crevices of the bark and twigs where it re-establishes itself the following spring. Spores may remain inactive for several years if conditions are not conducive to spore germination. This ability to survive from year to year without detection explains why peach leaf curl can be a serious problem in a year without any warning from the previous year.

Call me at 589-5561 to receive a free fact sheet on Peach Leaf Curl or for control recommendations.



# Orleans County 4-H'ers Win At Fair

ST 9-11-97  
Diane Smith, 16-year-old daughter of Chris and Bob Smith of Medina, representing Orleans County, won Grand Champion for her class at the 1997 New York State Fair Dog Show on Wednesday, Aug. 27.

Smith showed her 125-lb. Chesapeake Bay Retriever, Niner, in the Beginner B Class and scored a 155.5 out of a possible 160 points. Smith has been a member of the Orleans County 4-H Heelers Dog Club for the past 8 years. Niner was rescued in February from a home where he had been abused and unwanted. Smith began working with him in obedience in March and went on to win her class at the Orleans County Fair and to represent her county at the state level.

"This is a first for the Orleans 4-H Dog Club, we have never had a Grand Champion at the New York State Fair and we couldn't be any more proud of Diane. She has worked hard and deserves the recognition," said 4-H Co-Leader Caren Curtis.

Orleans County went on to have a red letter day at the State Fair. For the first time ever, the club competed in the Drill Team event, scoring 94 of a possible 100 points to take second place and Grand Reserve Champions. The club also recognizes Daniel Heard, who showed his service dog Polo at the fair. Heard is raising the lab puppy as a service dog for the blind.

"We applaud the Heard family in this project. It is not easy for a child to raise and train a dog for 12-18 months and then give it up for others to benefit. This is truly a generous act," said co-leader Sandy Sucy.

Jenna Goheen of Medina placed third in the Grooming and Handling B Class with her Golden Retriever, Gunner. Karen Goheen, also of Medina, took home a third place medal in Grooming and Handling C Class, showing a Clumber Spaniel, and Stephanie Allen of Brockport took a sixth place finish in that class.



Diane Smith shows her dog, Niner, which won Grand Champion at the State Fair.

Also representing Orleans County in the Handling and Grooming A Class were Nick Grubb of Hamlin and Dan Heard of Waterport.

Obedience competitor Ashley Rodas of Kendall placed fifth in Graduate Beginner A Class and Jacklynn Gingerich of Medina also placed fifth in Graduate Beginner B Class. Also representing Orleans

County in Obedience were Blossom David, Nick Grubb, Dan Heard, Donald Heard, Joli Sucy, Stephanie Allen and Kerrie Stawicki. Joli Sucy and Stephanie Allen went on to compete in the Brace Class. A four-person team also represented the county in the new Agility Class, with Jenna Goheen going on to take a fourth place medal with her Golden Retriever, Gunner.

## Home Winemaking Training Offered At Niagara Extension

SR 9-18-97  
Interest in home winemaking is bound to increase at this time of year as grapes are being harvested. Two classes for winemaking, one for beginners and one for those with some experience, will be offered on Wednesday, Oct. 1, 7:30-9:30 p.m., at Niagara County Cornell Cooperative Extension, 4487 Lake Ave., Lockport.

Instructor Howard Hart of North Tonawanda, a successful home winemaker himself, will cover the

basics of equipment, wine or juice sources, the process and beginners' perils and pitfalls.

Instructor Tom Chiappone of Lockport will work with those more knowledgeable or with at least some experience making wine. He will devote most of his time to topics from pre-registrants. Problems in quality and steps towards fine winemaking will be covered. Chiappone has won awards on national and

international levels.

Those attending are encouraged to pre-register to assure they receive hand-out materials and to prepare instructors with topics or questions they would like covered. A \$3 fee per person will cover materials and refreshments. Call 433-2651 to pre-register or send check payable to: Cornell Cooperative Extension, 4487 Lake Ave., Lockport, N.Y. 14094, Attention: Home Winemaking Training.



# Orleans 4-H Horse Exhibitors Compete At New York State Fair

SR 9-18-97

The Orleans County 4-H Horse Exhibitors had a great couple of weeks at the New York State Fair, held last month in Syracuse. The following youth placed in their respective divisions:

—Meghan DePalma, who participated in Hunt Seat Div. I, took third place in Showmanship at Halter Jr. and Hunt Pleasure-Horse Jr.; and fourth place in Hunter Under Saddle-Horse Jr.

—Christopher Kozody competed in the Gymkhana Div. VI, earning gold medals in Straightline Barrels-Pony, Pole Bending-Pony and Stake-

n-Barrel-Pony; second place in Keyhole-Pony, and seventh place in Texas T Barrels-Pony.

—Karen Mills took first place in Western Div. VII/Western Reining Jr., third in Gymkhana Div. VI/ Stake-n-Barrel-Horse Jr., and sixth in Gymkhana Div. VI/Keyhole-Horse Jr.

—Marissa Minier earned seventh place in Western Div. VII/Western Riding Sr.

—Kathryn Navarra competed in Western Div. VII, earning third place in Western Riding Sr., and eighth place in Western Reining Sr.

—Keli Plante participated in the Hunt Seat Div. I competition, finishing ninth in Working Hunter-Horse Sr.

—Karrie Syck competed in the Gymkhana Div. VI, earning second place in Pole Bending-Horse Sr.; third place in Straightline Barrels-Horse Sr.; sixth in Keyhole-Horse Sr.; seventh place in Texas T Barrels-Horse Sr., and ninth in Cloverleaf Barrels-Horse Sr.

—Molly Tower took ninth place in the Gymkhana Div. VI/Texas T Barrels-Horse Sr.

## 4-H Goat Show Results Posted

SR 9-18-97

KNOWLESVILLE — Results from the 4-H Goat Show at this year's County Fair have been released. They are:

Novice Showperson: Lindsey Oliver.

Junior Showperson: Caton McKenna.

Senior Showperson: Rachael Tuohey.

Master Showman: Robert Batt.

Best Alpine: Bret Klatt.

Best Alpine, Reserve: Rachael Tuohey.

Best Lamancha: Robert Batt.

Best Lamancha, Reserve: Robert Batt.

Best Noubian: Bret Klatt.

Best Nubian, Reserve: Robert Batt.

Best Oberhasli: Bret Klatt.

Best Oberhasli, Reserve: Aaron Batt.

Best Saanan: Diane Smith.

Best Saanan, Reserve: Caton McKenna.

Best Toggenberg: Bret Klatt.

Best Toggenberg, Reserve: Bret Klatt.

Best Doe of Show: Bret Klatt.

Best Doe of Show, Reserve:

Adam Fisher.

Dam and Daughter: Diane Smith.

Get of Sire: Jason Harrington.

Dairy Herd: Bret Klatt.

Best Wether: Adam Fisher.

Best Wether, Reserve: Rachael Tuohey.

Best Pigmy: Robert Batt.

Winner of Costume Class: Joshua Fisher.

Special awards were made in memory of Richard D. Forder, Richard J. Berry, Edward and Dorothy Walburn, Lorraine and Sharon Sargent.



## The Orleans Gardener



SR 9-18-97

### Late Blight Samples Wanted

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

"Late Blight" is caused by the fungus *Phytophthora Infans*, the same pathogen which caused the Irish potato famine in the 1850s. In late August of 1992 Late Blight was found in potato fields in Western New York, including farms in the Elba area of Genesee and Orleans counties. Since then the infection has spread to other locations in our area and could threaten further fields and greens.

While farmers are aware of the threat of infection and symptoms of detection, home gardeners need to be just as informed and cautious if infection sites are to be contained. Cornell is providing free diagnoses of suspected samples in an effort to control the spread of this devastating disease.

Phytophthora can also infect tomatoes, peppers and eggplant. Even

blight resistant varieties are susceptible to the evolving strains of the fungus.

According to Bill Fry of Cornell, "This disease is remarkably explosive; an affected field looks like it has burned."

It is possible that the many infestations went unnoticed and were even greater and widespread since potato plants typically wither back in August anyway. My concern is that home gardeners can in fact perpetuate this disease for area vegetable farmers if not detected and controlled.

Traditional Late Blight does not overwinter in the soil or in the debris of plants. The fungus can only survive in living potato tubers such as cull potatoes, storage potatoes not harvested — a real threat after last year's wet fields. Recently it was discovered that the disease has progressed and can now reproduce sex-

ually, something which worries scientists. Sexual reproduction involves a whole new gene pool and can allow the fungus to adapt and build resistance, quickly making control difficult. Spores of the Late Blight fungus can be carried to new destinations more than 150 miles away. Any report of infection in an area should cause concern.

Late Blight is noticeable as a purplish brown patch on the potato skin. Cutting just below the skin surface should reveal any infection. The infection eventually progresses into a corky mass. Early infections on the leaf tissue appear as brown to black water soaked lesions which shrivel and dry up, leaving white velvety spores on the under surface of the leaf at the margins of black.

**What you can do to control Late Blight:**

—Buy certified seed potatoes and don't use those from the previous year.

—Rotate your potatoes, tomatoes,



Lake County 9-22-1997

## 1997 4-H FAIR RESULTS

### Event: Gymkhana

**Knock Down and Out Junior:** 1-Danielle Montague on Bubby's Little Baby, 2-Katie Cobb on Gremlin. **Senior:** 1-Vicki Miller on Misty Rose, 2-Ronald Ettinger on Dan.

**Musical Bags Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Katie Houseknecht on Summit. **Senior:** 1-Karrie Syck on Sugar, 2-Kristin Miller on Miss Independence Baby. **Keyhole Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Karen Millis on Big Chester, 2-Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty. **Senior:** 1-Karrie Syck on Sugar, 2-Molly Tower on Dolly. **Stake-N-Barrel Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Karen Millis on Big Chester. **Senior:** 1-Vicki Miller on Misty Rose, 2-Karrie Syck on Sugar. **Straight Barrels Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty. **Senior:** 1-Karrie Syck on Sugar, 2-Jamie Kurtz on Carr De Napolis. **Clover Barrels Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Karen Millis on Big Chester. **Senior:** 1-Karrie Syck on Sugar, 2-Kristen Miller on Miss Independence Baby. **Texas "T" Barrels Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Elizabeth Navarra on Sparkle Plenty. **Senior:** 1-Karrie Syck on Sugar, 2-Molly Tower on Dolly. **Quadrangle Barrels Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Karen Millis on Big Chester. **Senior:** 1-Molly Tower on Dolly, 2-Vicki Miller on Misty Rose. **Pole Bending Pony:** 1-Chris Kozody on Patchouli, 2-Christine Cronin on Risky Business. **Junior:** 1-Alix Kozody on Alabama Slammer, 2-Karen Millis on Big Chester. **Senior:** 1-Karrie Syck on Sugar, 2-Molly Tower on Dolly.

Lake County 9-22-97

### Orleans County 4-H Rabbit Raisers Shine at State Fair

The Orleans County 4-H Rabbit Raisers Club had a great few days at the New York State Fair in Syracuse, New York.

On Saturday August 30, the following 4-Hers won at the 4-H Rabbit and Cavy Show: **Julianne Watts-** Best of Breed English Spot; **Katie Forder-** Best of Breed Rex; **Corinne Toenniessen-** Best of Show Rex; **Jim Gerling-** Best of Breed Silver Marten; **David Gerling-** Best of Breed Rhinelander; and **Ray Toenniessen-** Best of Show Cavy.

On Sunday August 31, the Orleans County 4-H Rabbit Science Decathlon Teams competed. The contest consists of 10 stations and 4-Hers are asked questions about breed identification, standards of perfection, handling, breeding, food and nutrition, business management and much more. The Orleans County **Novice Team** placed 2nd; the **Junior Team** placed 6th; and the **Senior Team** placed 1st in New York State.

Individual placings included: **Lance Bivins-** 3rd place Novice; **Jim Gerling-** 4th place Senior; and **David Gerling-** 1st place Senior. Congratulations to the Orleans County 4-H Rabbit Raisers on an excellent performance at the New York State Fair!

# Terry Anderson To Speak At Human Services Conference

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ALBION — The Human Services Council of Orleans County, an umbrella agency with 43 member agencies, will hold its fall conference on October 30 (note date change), 4-9:30 p.m. at the Albion Central High School. The theme of the conference is "Communication: At Home, At Work And In The Community, Improving Communication To Improve Life".

Through better communication skills you gain control, not of the events in your life, but of your response to the events. Participants will learn how to work well through people who are "tough to work with" and learn techniques to get

and stay motivated for life!

Workshops on related topics will be available in the afternoon and the evening following dinner and keynote presentation. Some topics include: Doctor/Patient Communication; Communication: The Key To Cultural Diversity in the Workplace; Yes, You Can Communicate With Your Teen.

Following dinner, Terry Anderson, a nationally syndicated columnist, former Mid-East hostage and AP Bureau chief will provide the keynote address. Mr. Anderson's presentation is sponsored by the Western Orleans United Way and Eastern Orleans United Way.

As of press time, co-sponsors of the event include the following agencies/businesses: OCAC/ACT, Mental Health Association, Orleans County Health Department, Arc of Orleans, Even Start, Medina Memorial Hospital, Genesee-Orleans Youth Bureau, Genesee-Orleans Ministry of Concern, Lakeside Health System, Oak Orchard Health Center, Christopher Mitchell Funeral Home, Lake Country Pennysaver and United Way of Eastern Orleans County.

Pre-registration is required and CEU's, sponsored by Genesee Community College will be available. Deadline for registration is October 8. Space is limited.



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# The Orleans Gardener

## Fire Blight, A Little Knowledge Goes A Long Way

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

New research findings on fire blight infection mechanisms shed light on prevention both for the orchardist and the home gardener. Although there are a number of blight-causing bacteria strains which attack growing tissue, fire blight may lead the pack in terms of damage and lost fruit/income in apples and pears. Controlling infections in the orchard relies on a common understanding of the pathogen and how it spreads. New infection sites can originate in someone's backyard and be carried by wind, pollinating insects and rain, stressing the importance of responsible gardening.

Fire blight is caused by the bacteria *Erwinia amylovora*, which attacks the growing tissue causing entire limbs to die. Research now indicates

that the majority of the bacteria resides within the vascular system of the tree and reinfects the new tender buds as they unfold in the spring. The bacteria overwinters in cankers and surface tissue of the bark. Cornell research has isolated bacteria in root stocks just three weeks after infection of a flower or shoot occurs. This indicates the potential for quick spread of bacteria through vascular systems of trees. The most important infection sites are blossoms.

What does this mean for the home gardener? If fire blight can be eliminated before infections take hold in the spring then the majority of your problem may be solved. Variety selection determines, in large part, the incidence of infection so choose a variety that is resistant. These are highly susceptible: APPLE-Jonagold, Fuji, Gala, Idared, Jonathon, Lodi,

Mutsu, R.I. Greening, Paulared, Rome, Sir Prize, Spigold, 20 Ounce, and York. PEAR-All but Seckel are susceptible.

If you have infected dead shoots you should remove these blighted shoots and any cankers while trees are dormant. Proper pruning that increases light into the canopy will help maintain a strong, healthy tree. Copper sprays should be applied after leaf drop in the fall and again in early spring (March). Thorough spray coverage of the bark is essential. If copper sprays are applied during bloom there will be russeted finish on the fruit. A new biological control (another bacteria) is expected to reach the market next spring for commercial use and can provide 50 percent reduced incidence of the infection if used during bloom.

## Albion Village Streets Department Begins Tree Maintenance Project

By KAREN SAMPSON  
Albion Staff Writer

Trees are among the most beautiful and useful aspects of any village and its downtown area. The village of Albion has begun a program of maintaining healthy trees and replacing ones that are diseased or becoming a hazard.

"We have started a tree project, trying to get into a tree management program," streets department superintendent Doug Long said. The village's streets department is responsible for maintaining the trees. "We're looking at trees located between the street and the sidewalk, community trees, that the village is responsible for. We want to know what kind of trees are out there."

The village has had surveyors out looking at trees, their bases, trunks and crowns, and noting which trees are sturdy and which ones are not.

"In case we get into a bad situation, like a wind or an ice storm," Long said. "Some trees are more of a problem than others."

The village is working with Cornell Cooperative Extension and communi-

ty forester Jerry Bond. Village trees will be evaluated on their health, their shape, the condition of the sidewalk and where and what they might hit if

Any trimming or removal that is decided on would be contracted out to a professional tree remover, Long said. The village also does not plan to leave any empty spots when trees are removed.

"There's a good chance we can walk into a grant that will help us replant a lot of the trees," Long said. "We want to make sure we put the right trees back. It does no good to plant a tree that grows up into the electrical wiring overhead."

So far, six streets department employees have been attending seminars on community forestry, Long said. They in turn will be able to share they should fall.

"It's easier to do this when there's leaves on the trees," Long said. "There will be some determination of tree removal, tree trimming and the replanting of trees."

The village is home to many large trees, some of them planted more than 100 years ago. A view from the top of

the Orleans County Courthouse shows a sea of green covering the village.

"We do have quite a number of trees," Long said. "A large majority are silver maple and those tend to be brittle. We have some very majestic trees. We have a good number that need some trimming."

their knowledge in the department and help to select the appropriate trees.

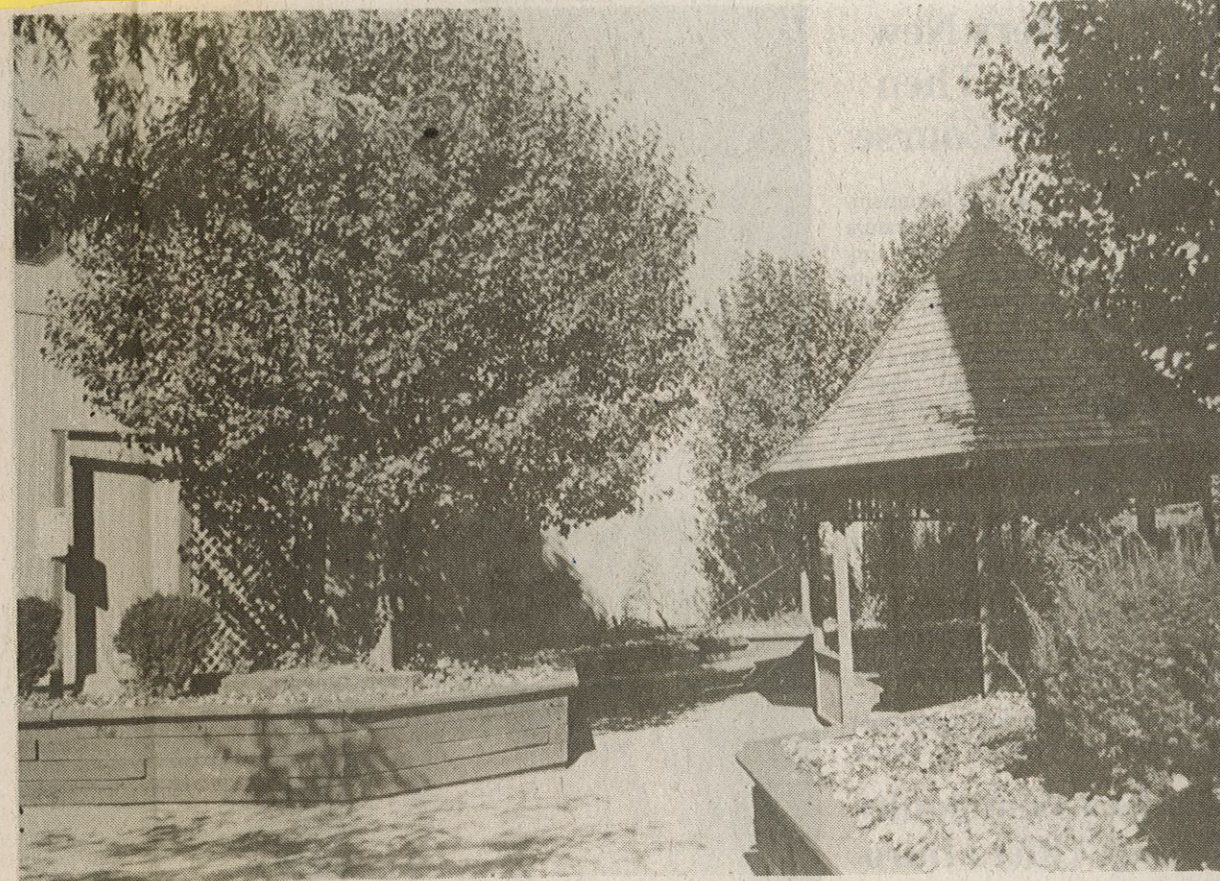
The upcoming New York State Route 98 project in 2000, which will go through the village's downtown area, is already being considered in terms of what trees to replant.

"At this point, I'm sure we'll make some changes down there," Long said. "When the opportunity presents itself, I want to make sure we do it correctly."

Village residents should not be concerned if during the next few weeks they see someone inspecting the trees in front of their homes. Also, just because someone has inspected a tree it does not automatically mean the village will trim or remove the tree.

"We want to get into a management program that will help us work efficiently," Long said. "There's a lot of work there. We've responded when it's been needed, but we can do better."

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The trees in the village of Albion's gazebo park on Main Street are an example of selecting the right tree for the right area. These trees are among those that have been surveyed for the tree inventory. During the Route 98 Project, to begin in 2000, many of the downtown area's trees will be replaced.

(Albion Photo By Karen Sampson)





**MARKING 4-H/CCE WEEK** — The Orleans County Legislature gave local agricultural programs a boost this week, proclaiming Oct. 5-11 Cooperative Extension Week and National 4-H Week. In making the declaration, legislators noted services the two programs provide to New York, and particularly, Orleans County residents. Above, CCE/4-H representative Cheryl Smith, center, received a copy of the proclamation from Legislators Lyndon Billings (left) and Jack Beedon.

(J-R Photo by David Allen)

## Fresh Apple Cider Safety Tips Offered

Cornell Cooperative Extension Educator Ginny Springer has released the following statement concerning the potential of fresh cider to contain pathogens:

"Fresh cider, which is unpasteurized, has a low risk of being contaminated by foodborne pathogens like E.coli 0157:H7. Children, the elderly and persons with a weakened immune system are at a greater health risk if exposed to E.coli 0157:H7. For these people it is recommended to boil the unpasteurized apple cider before drinking it.

"Pasteurized apple juice or cider have been heat treated to kill harmful bacteria. Bottled and concen-

trated apple juice that you buy in the grocery store has been heat treated. Any apple cider or juice sold refrigerated in the dairy case or produce section of the store may not be pasteurized. Check the label or ask the store manager.

"This E.coli 0157:H7 is a relatively new strain of E.coli, which is more acid tolerant or more able to survive in acidic apple cider. However, outbreaks of E.coli 0157:H7 are uncommon because more than half the cider producers do not use windfall apples, which are apples that have fallen to the ground and pick up the bacteria.

"The U.S. Apple Association is educating cider producers about

E.coli, encouraging research, and cooperating with the FDA, which has proposed that fresh juice producers be requested to implement Hazard Analysis Critical Control Pointe (HAACP) plans, and use mandatory warning labels. In the interim, for the 1997 season, FDA is requesting producers voluntarily place warning statements on their cider.

"Remember, the centers for Disease Control and Prevention advise that consumers can reduce their risk of infection of E.coli by boiling fresh cider or drinking pasteurized cider.

"For more information contact Cornell Cooperative Extension."





Pictured are members of the 4-H Capital Project, from left: Dawn Keppler, project chair; Pauline Lenning, chairman of the Property Committee of 4-H; Kelly Eick, dairy superintendent; Ken Eick, Project Committee; Carl Caleb, Town of Shelby highway superintendent; Philip Keppler, Project Committee.

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## 4-H Livestock Capital Project Update

The ongoing project at the Orleans County Fairgrounds to build a 200-by-60-foot pole barn for the dairy and beef exhibits and to upgrade the Knights Building has been progressing at a rapid rate. The site of the new barn (seen fenced with tractor displays at the '97 Orleans Fair) is being prepared for construction by the generous efforts of local area highway departments. The barn will accommodate the rapidly growing livestock clubs that have exceeded the capacity of the Knights Building.

The prime feature of the new barn will be the dairy milking facility. In the past, the dairy exhibit for milking has been rudimentary and almost non-existent. Many farmers in Orleans County have expressed a need to showcase the dairy industry in a modern and educational setting. Further advantages will be room for the horticulture displays, and beef

and dairy educational/promotional displays. Kelly Eick, dairy co-superintendent, said, "The project leaders and NYS Ag & Markets have discussed the plans for a much needed dairy milking facility and are encouraged that this new barn will provide the space to showcase the dairy industry."

Earlier this year the barn project received a generous grant of \$10,000 from New York state through Senator George Maziars's office. The Dairy-Beef Clubs, 4-H Clubs and Walk-A-Thon have raised another \$6,000 for the project. Many generous donations from farms, businesses and individuals in the community have raised the total donations to \$29,092.87. The fund-raising campaign is in need of approximately \$20,000 to meet the project goal. "There has been a fund-raising update sent out this week to the community and hopefully we (4-H

volunteers) can erect the basic structure before winter," said Dawn Keppler, project director. "If every request was returned with \$50 we would reach our goal immediately."

The Project Committee believes the new barn will showcase agriculture and youth participation to the public in a positive and educational setting.

Donation levels are Gold Patrons-\$1,000; Silver Patrons-\$500; Bronze Patrons-\$200; Associate Patrons-\$100; Booster Patron-under \$100. Donations are tax deductible and donors' names will be displayed in the new barn. Please include your name, address, phone and donation amount or call 589-5561 for a donation form or for more information. Donations or memorials may be sent to: Orleans County Cooperative Extension, 4-H Livestock Capital Project, Box 150, Albion, N.Y. 14411.





**CCE REPRESENTATIVES CHAIR ROCHESTER EVENT** — Two executives from the Orleans office of Cornell Cooperative Extension took center stage at Rochester recently when they chaired a major award breakfast during statewide Cooperative Extension Week. Albion CCE Director Shirley Bright, left, and staff member Cheryl Smith, right, joined Colleen Wegman of Wegman Markets, who was presented with the NYS Friend of Extension Plaque for its work in promoting healthy foods and working with area farmers in controlled pesticide use in agriculture. A breakfast presentation at Strong Museum attracted almost 100 people.

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## Cornell extension to honor Wegman

Danny Wegman, president of Wegmans Food Markets Inc., will receive the Cornell Cooperative Extension's 1997 Friend of Extension Award at 7:30 a.m. tomorrow at Strong Museum.

His daughter, Colleen Wegman, will accept the award.

Wegman was selected to re-

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## Third Annual Cornell Cooperative Extension Week

Cornell Cooperative Extension (CCE) is celebrating their third annual CCE Week, October 5-11, 1997. Local associations invite you to join in the statewide celebration.

CCE programs throughout New York State help people preserve and protect the environment. CCE's integrated pest management

NY 14527. Telephone: 315-536-5123; Fax: 315-536-5117; email: yates@cce.cornell.edu.

Other counties will be glad to inform you of the programs offered in their counties.





## October Gardening Calendar

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Agent

Winter's frosty nights are ahead. Find an easy chair and relax for a while making a list of all chores which need to be done before winter is in. Use this article to start with and add your own thoughts to it. If this idea depresses you then start with a list of things you want to do next year before your thoughts escape you.

Bring houseplants back indoors from their summer vacation and cover tomato plants with tarps or blankets if you haven't already to protect them from frost. Tomato vines can be brought into cellars to continue ripening spread over a dry surface. Flowering annuals will continue blooming through the fall if protected from frost.

As you fire up the wood burning stove this month keep in mind that

heating your home also dries out your plants. Watch for desiccation and place planters on trays filled with gravel and water to maintain moisture. Enclose these plants in plastic if you are going away for an extended weekend.

Garden clean-up should be one of your priorities for this month. Diseases, bacteria fungi, and insects will overwinter underneath and inside remaining plant debris causing problems next year. Woody stems of dead plants are a favorite site for overwintering eggs. Pull up roots of annuals, rake up and remove all unwanted plant debris and destroy or compost.

Cut off peony tops and destroy leaves and stems to prevent Botrytis from overwintering and infesting new growth the following spring.

If you have run out of refrigerator or freezer space for storage items

you might consider trying a conventional storage pit or cold cellar. Cooperative Extension has plans on construction for these pits. Remember not to store fruits and vegetables in the same area or the ethylene released from the fruits will speed up the aging process and prematurely decompose your vegetables. This technique however can be helpful in ripening green tomatoes!

In addition to garden clean-up in your fruit planting you may want to place tree guards around your fruit trees to protect against rodent damage this winter. Hardware cloth at least two feet in height and set into the ground to avoid digging works well. Be sure to place guards with a wide enough diameter to allow for several years worth of growth. If you had a problem with peach leaf curl this year start your control program early by applying a commercially prepared dormant spray mix containing copper such as lime sulfur. The tree should be dormant before such a spray is applied.

Blueberries can be planted in the fall. Use mulch to minimize heaving of the soil over winter. Do some research on what varieties do best in our neck of the woods, not all types need very acid soil.

Strawberries can be covered with straw mulch as soon as three nights below 20 degrees F have passed.

There is still time to adjust pH if there is a need. Remember fall application will allow the sulfur or lime to adjust the soil chemistry in time for next year's growing season. Test kits for pH are available through our office.

Garlic is best when planted in the fall. Fertilize the area before planting.

Dig up summer flowering bulbs for winter storage before the ground

freezes. Store dahlias upside down in a cool cellar. Cannas should be stored with soil protectively covering the roots. Make sure to label all roots for easy identification in the spring. There is still plenty of time to plant spring bulbs if you haven't yet.

Now is the time to set daffodil bulbs for forced blooming at Thanksgiving.

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### In Support of 4-H...

**National 4-H Week is October 5-11. Many communities that no longer have an FFA Chapter, still support the 4-H Program as a means for local youths to acquire knowledge and develop life skills in numerous categories as broad as "agriculture" and as personal as "leadership".**

**Membership is for youths ages 5 years to 19 years. The 4-H Mission: "To enable youths to develop knowledge, skills, abilities, attitudes, and behaviors to be competent, caring adults." The 4-H Slogan: "Learn By Doing". The 4-H Pledge: "I pledge by Head to clearer thinking; my Heart to greater loyalty; my Hands to larger service; and, my Health to better living, for my club, my community, my country, and my world."**

**To join 4-H, contact your local Cooperative Extension Office or, Cornell Cooperative Extension, 354 Roberts Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853. Call: 607/255-2233.**



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### Fair Board Seeks Volunteers

**ALBION** — The Orleans County Fair Board is seeking new members to fill four upcoming vacancies on the board.

As New York state's Model 4-H Fair, new ideas and leadership are always welcome. The board meets once each month and there are many different aspects of the fair for inter-

ested individuals. If you are interested in applying for a position on the board, please submit a resume with two references to Cornell Cooperative Extension, 20 South Main St., Albion by Oct. 15.

Any further questions can be directed to the Extension office at 589-5561 or Robyn Watts at 798-3691.





**COOPERATIVE EXTENSION/4-H WEEK TO BE CELEBRATED** — Orleans County next week will mark National Cooperative Extension/4-H Week, an annual event honoring contributions the two organizations make to agriculture and society. Above, students from area schools attend one of numerous workshops during Conservation Day, a yearly sponsored by CCE.



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Presents:

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**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**

**Terry Anderson**

Terry Anderson: Nationally syndicated columnist;  
former Mideast hostage and AP bureau chief.

**DATE CHANGE**

PLACE: Albion Central High School

DATE: October 30, 1997

TIME: 4:00 pm - 9:30 pm

For more information: 589-3278

Registration must be received by October 13, 1997

## Terry Anderson To Speak Oct. 30

each other in silence and providing emotional support and comfort.

When he was released in 1992 the world recognized his remarkable human spirit to triumph over any adversity. He has become an advocate of human rights world-wide and his work has included building elementary schools, organizing political change in New York State and writing a best seller.

Anderson will be at Albion High School from 4-9:30 p.m. Registration must be received by Monday. For more information, call 589-3278.

Columnist Terry Anderson, the longest-held American hostage in the Middle East, will be at Albion High School on Thursday, Oct. 30, as the guest of the Human Services Council of Orleans County.

Anderson was a journalist with *The Associated Press* in 1985 in Beirut, Lebanon, when he was taken hostage by terrorists. He was held for 2,545 days, shuttled between locations and forced to adapt to unbelievable conditions. During this time he was able to help fellow hostages teaching them sign language so they could talk to



## The Orleans Gardener

### Fall Planting Spinach

By **ELAINE WENDT**

Cooperative Extension Educator

If you have ever had an interest in growing spinach you may be surprised to find out that the best time to plant this vitamin rich vegetable is now! Spinach is very sensitive to warm temperatures and tends to bolt and form seeds during summer months. Early spring and early fall provide ideal conditions for this crop.

Spinach grows well in almost any soil but prefers soils with pH between 6 and 6.8 and produces poorly in soils below 5.5 pH.

Blight resistant varieties should be chosen for fall planting. Best varieties include Virginia Savoy, Dixie Market and Blight Resistant Savoy.

Seeds should be direct seeded by hand in rows 1 inch deep and thinned to 2-3 inches apart. Seeds will sprout and poke up an inch or so before the ground freezes solid. Mulch them heavily after they

emerge to protect them through the winter. Scatter mulch when growth resumes in the spring. By spring time these seedlings will have a considerable head start over any spring planted crop.

An added benefit is that you will also avoid losing your leafy crop to the spinach leaf miner. The destructive spinach leaf miner is a tiny fly which usually emerges in April or May to lay its eggs on the underside of leaves. The eggs hatch and bore into the leaf to continue feeding between the top and bottom layers of the leaf. Once this tiny pest is inside the leaf it is nearly impossible to destroy them.

The publication "The Home Vegetable Garden" is available through our office and provides information on growing garden vegetables. For more information on how to order this excellent publication call 589-5561 and ask for Nicole.



# Viewpoint

## Week Celebrates Extension, 4-H

Most visible during the annual county fair days in the summer, the 4-H and Cornell Cooperative Extension make a tremendous contribution to and have a great impact upon the entire Orleans community throughout the year, from conducting numerous 4-H youth development programs to the Cooperative Extension's many agricultural and environmental assistance and research programs.

It is most fitting therefore during this harvest time of the year that the Orleans County Legislature has recognized and saluted these many contributions by designating this as National 4-H and Cornell Cooperative Extension Week.

In helping our most precious resource, our youth, grow and develop, the legislators' proclamation rightly states that Cooperative Extension, through the 4-H Youth Development program, "invests in the state's future by developing valuable life skills in communication, decision making, leadership and citizenship among today's young people."

We note that currently over 1,300 of our county youth are participating in, and benefiting from, 4-H programs.

Certainly the many leaders and volunteers who make those 4-H youth development programs possible deserve the thanks and plaudits of the entire

community.

And we would certainly take this opportunity to encourage any of our area youth who are not already involved in 4-H to check out this outstanding organization by contacting the Orleans 4-H office at 589-5561.

Our farming community has likewise benefited tremendously for many decades from the expertise and assistance of Cooperative Extension. The Extension Service, as the legislators' proclamation notes, is "a viable partnership between federal, state and county governments; educational outreach of land grant knowledge and research."

Our environment likewise is a beneficiary of Cooperative Extension, which as the proclamation notes, "is enhancing and protecting the environment through educational programs focused on conserving and managing the state's water, air and land; enabling residents, businesses and agencies to make informed decisions in utilizing and managing New York state's environmental resources."

For our youth, our farmers, our communities and our environment, Cornell Cooperative Extension and the 4-H are outstanding resources that we all can greatly utilize and benefit from to improve our lives and our communities.

## Orleans Teen Pregnancy Stats Show Increase

By BILL ROBINSON  
J-R Staff Writer

**ALBION** — Most recent data on incidents of adolescent pregnancy shows an increase in the 15- to 17-year-old age range. Jan Albanese, director of the A.C.T. Program (Alternative Choices for Teens), released the statistics at the agency's annual meeting.

"I'm not working myself out of a job," Albanese said.

The latest statistics from the New York State Department of Health are from 1995. The 15- to 17-year-old group rose from 35 pregnancies to 44. The 1995 statistics for this group are second only to 1992, which had 54, on the listed data.

The 18- to 19-year-old age range holds steady at 66, down three from

Kendall and Murray had two live births, Ridgeway and Albion had one.

Twenty-four of the births were Caucasian and only three were African-American, refuting the conservative image of the welfare mother, at least in Orleans County. State-wide rankings are unavailable at this time.

The A.C.T. Program was created specifically to deal with the problem of adolescent pregnancy. In 1996-97 the agency provided services to 193 teens in Orleans County. This figure does not count the presentations and community events.

"These are unduplicated teen services," Albanese said. "We have our direct services which are approximately six months one-on-one with a youth worker."

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# 1997 4-H FAIR RESULTS

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Event: Dog Show

**Monday July 21st** was the 1997 Orleans Co. 4-H Fair Dog Obedience & Showmanship Show. First year 4-Her Nick Grubb won the Beginner A Class with his Golden Retriever, Abby. Diane Smith with her Chesapeake Bay took the Beginner B group. Graduate Beginner A winner was Ashley Rodas with Meako her American Eskimo. Juli Suci came in first in Grad. Beginner B with Trey, a Sheltie. Graduate Novice A dog was Katie an Australian Shepherd handled by Kerrie Stawicki. Senior 4-H member Kara Goheen took the Grad. Novice B Class with her Lab, Ivan. Joli Suci won the Brace competition with her 2 Shelties. Kerrie Stawicki, Carie Haylett, Stephanie Allen & Joli Suci received a Blue Ribbon for 4 man team. High Scoring Dog in a regular class was Katie, owned by Kerrie Stawicki. High Scoring Dog in non-regular class was Niner, owned by Diane Smith. Other obedience competitors were Kayla Suci, Blossom Davis, Daniel Heard, April Korn, Jorden Gailey, Donald Heard, Jacklynn Gingerich, Kathy Root.

**Grooming & Handling A Class** winner was Nick Grubb. **B Class** winner was Ashley Rodas and **C Class** was taken by Kara Goheen. Goheen went on to win 1997 Master Showman handling a Clumber Spaniel. Other competitors were Jenna Goheen, Joli Suci, Diane Smith, Jacklynn Gingerich, Stephanie Allen, Jessica Root, Carie Haylett, Donald Heard, Kayla Suci, Blossom Davis, Daniel Heard, April Korn, Jorden Gailey and Stacy Knight.

**Thursday's Dog Bowl Contest** was fun for all! Junior division champ was Jackie Gingerich. Senior division champ was Kara Goheen. Other participants were Kayla & Joli Suci, Scott Marciszewski, Jessica Root, Stacy Knight, Jason Helsdon, Andrea Marciszewski and Kathy Root.

**Friday was Dog Fun Day**, Kerrie Stawicki won the Agility B Class and Diane Smith took the Agility A Class on lead. Kara Goheen went on to win the Flyball Contest with her Golden Retriever. Costume & Tricks Class were both taken by Ashley Rodas' dog Meako, an American Eskimo. Fun obedience class was won by Andrea Marciszewski.

**The Orleans Co. Heelers Dog Club** was proud of the Heard Family who is raising a Service Dog. The Lab puppy's name is Polo and was exhibited by Daniel Heard.

**Saturday's Junior Judging** was a blast with the 4-H children judging the adults. Kara Goheen won the Sr. division and Carie Haylett won the Jr. division. Also participating was Jenna Goheen, Jessica Root, Daniel Heard, Ashley Rodas, Jacklynn Gingerich, Kayla Suci, Blossom Davis, Joli Suci, Nick Grubb, Kathy Root, Andrea Marciszewski, Donald Heard.

Event: Beef Show

**Beef Showmanship Novice:** 1st - Angela Bezon, 2nd - Sally Driesel. **Junior:** 1st - Kaitlin Rice, 2nd - Katie Cobb. **Senior:** 1st - Valerie Bergeman, 2nd - Nate Keppler. **Master Showman:** Nate Keppler.

**Class 2 Hereford Sr. Heifer:** 1st - Rachel Greene, 2nd - Nate Keppler. **Class 3 Hereford Summer Yearling:** 1st - Whit Keppler. **Class 4 Hereford Jr. Yearling:** 1st - Rachel Greene. **Class 6 Hereford Cow/Calf:** 1st - Nate Keppler. **Class 7 Hereford Mature Cow:** 1st - Nate Keppler. **Class 25 Simmental Jr. Yearling:** Adam Dresser. **Class 31 Special Breeds Summer Yearling:** Merri Clark. **Class 35 Mature Cow:** Joe Clark. **Grades/Crosses. Class 36 Jr. Heifer:** 1st - Fred Bergeman, 2nd - Nate Hartway. **Class 37 Sr. Heifer:** 1st - Kaitlin Rice, 2nd - Kate Cobb. **Class 39 Jr. Yearling:** 1st - Nate Keppler, 2nd - Dan Dresser. **Class 41 Cow/Calf:** 1st - Fred Bergeman, 2nd - Andy Gailey. **Class 42 Mature Cow:** 1st - Fred Bergeman, 2nd - Andy Gailey.

**Grand Champion Jr. Heifer:** Fred Bergeman. **Grand Champion Yearling:** Adam Dresser. **Grand Champion Cow/Calf:** Fred Bergeman. **Grand Champion Mature Cow:** Fred Bergeman.

**Market Classes:** **Class 43 Light Wt. Steer** 900# to 1000#: Adam Dresser. **Class 44 Med. Wt. Steer** 1000# to 1100#: 1st - Angela Bezon, 2nd - Whit Keppler, 3rd - Justin Hartway. **Class 45 Heavy Wt Steer** 1100# & up: Angela Bezon, 2nd - Karyn Giltner.

**Feeder Steer Classes:** **Class 49** under 200#: 1st - Dan Dresser, 2nd - Rachel Tuohy. **Class 50** 600# to 800#: 1st - Merrie Clark, 2nd - Joe Clark. **Class 53** 800# to 900#: 1st - Dan Dresser, 2nd - Valerie Bergeman.

**Dairy Feeder Steer:** **Class 54** under 200#: 1st - Justin Grimm, 2nd - Dorothy Dresser. **Class 55** 200# to 400#: 1st - Sara Dresser, 2nd - Andy Gailey. **Class 56** 400# to 600#: 1st - Jason Gaylord, 2nd - Jorden Gailey. **Class 57** 600# to 800#: 1st - Andy Gailey, 2nd - Bob Batt. **Grand Champion Market Class:** Angela Bezon. **Grand Champion Feeder Steer** under 200# to 600#: Dan Dresser. **Grand Champion** 600# to 900#: Dan Dresser. **Grand Champion Dairy Feeder Steer** under 200# to 400#: Jason Gaylord. **Grand Champion Dairy Feeder Steer** 600# to 900#: Andy Gailey.

**Orleans Co. 4-H Fair Talent Show** was held on Tues. night at the pavilion. **4 Solo Jr. Act** 7 to 12 yr. The winner was Kim Mackin doing a jazz dance to "No Limit", 2nd place went to Brian Kruger singing "Daddys Money", 3rd place went to Tiffany Hallenbed singing "Take Me Out To The Ball Game". 6 Jr. Groups performed. 1st place went to Toya Torrance, Kim Mackin doing a jazz dance to "Boom Boom Boom", 2nd place to Sara and Shirley Greenan, Patrick and Katie Tabor "Crazy Little Thing Called Love", 3rd to Jessica Webster, Raelynn Englent, Kim Mackin, RaiAnn, Summer, Toya, Torrance, Lindsay Draper. Draper, Kelly Collazo doing a gymnastic performance to the music of "Controlling Transmission". **Solo Sr.** The winner in our Solo Sr. were Karie Richenberg doing a ballet dance. Danny Benson received 2nd place with his jazz dance to "Tied Up". **Adult Solo** Angleina Vella performed Medialia on her accordion. **Group Sr. 6 Dr. groups performed.** A group of 9 dancers: Kim Mackin, Kelly Collaza, Toya RaiAnn, Summer Torrance, Kari Richenberg, Danny Benson, Mandy Lapp. Heather Brown did a Tap to "Symphony". 2nd place to Amy Foote, Stephanie Metzler, Alissa Olira, Tiffany Steffen did a jazz dance to "Phantom". 3rd place went to Michael Cole & Amy Foote doing a jazz dance to "Dreams".

Show: Rabbit Show

**Best of Show:** David Gerling. **Reserve Best of Show:** Jim Gerling. **Best of Breed Awards (rosettes):** English Spot: Julianne Watts, Reserve: Julianne Watts. **Netherland Dwarf:** Nicholas Tylec, Reserve: Lyanne Lorissee. **Tan:** Jim Gerling, Reserve: Jim Gerling. **Florida White:** Jenny Daggs, Reserve: Howard Daggs. **Rhineland:** David Gerling, Reserve: David Gerling. **Satin:** Jim Gerling. **Holland Lop:** Heather Conley, Reserve: Kelly Ashton. **Dutch:** Sue Gerling, Reserve: Jullian Tylec. **Flemish Giant:** David Gerling, Reserve: April Korn. **Pet:** Tim Tower, Reserve: Lisa Berry. **Mini Rex:** Hollie Fraser, Reserve: Karey Ashton. **Mini Lop:** Sue Gerling, Reserve: Robert Batt. **Rex:** David Gerling, Reserve: David Gerling. **American Fuzzy Lop:** Julianne Watts. **Harlequin:** Jillian Tylec. **Jersey Wooley:** Katie Ann Forder, Reserve: Eleanor Andrea. **New Zealand:** Michael LaLonde. **French Lop:** Katie Ann Forder, Reserve: Katie Ann Forder, Reserve: Jillian Tylec.

Show: Cavy Show

**Best of Show:** Ray Toennissan. **Reserve Best of Show:** Corrine Toennissan. **Best of Breed Awards (rosettes):** Abyssian: Corrine Toennissan, Reserve: Kevin Witkop. **American:** Ray Toennissan, Reserve: Ray Toennissan. **Silkie:** Heather Conley, Reserve: Heather Conley. **Teddy:** Corrine Toennissan, Reserve: Corrine Toennissan. **Pet:** RoseAnne Lafferty.

Event: Udder Beginnings

Many 4-H youth and young visitors to the Fair had fun learning to milk goats. Twenty three children from 4 to 11 yrs. old milked goats and won prizes with the help of Orleans County Goat Herders.

**4-H Youth nite:** 4-H youth and their families had a great nite of entertainment from D.J. Ken Dalusio. Door prizes, dancing and food was enjoyed by all.





Betty Hassall of the United Way, looks over the 4-H Cooperative Extension window display at the United Way office on Main Street. (J-R Photo By Robbi Hess)

# United Way And The Cornell Cooperative Extension Partnership

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United Way is a valued partner of the Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension. "We've had a long history together," according to Shirley Bright, Executive Director of Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension.

Currently we receive some United Way support for the 4H Youth Development Program and the Family Center in Medina. Our 4H funding is critical to our 4H volunteer support. Throughout the year many activities are conducted that involve youth in a variety of skill and confidence building activities. These range from the food contest (Grown in New York) to Public Presentations Program, Clothing Revue, and the annual Holiday Fair. The United Way dol-

lars combined with other private and some public dollars help provide a part time staff member to train and work with volunteer leaders. Many projects are displayed at the 4H Fair.

Another program of Cornell Cooperative Extension that receives United Way support is the Family Center. The Family Center is a wonderful place for parents and kids. We've recently moved from the Medina Hospital site to the YMCA. The new facilities provide a lot more space. Of course funding is always a challenge. The United Way dollars are critical. Other funding for the Family Center comes from state fund allocated to reduce adolescent pregnancy and to improve parenting skills. The mission of the Family

Center is to provide a place for parents to get "moral" support, learn new skills, share ideas and get helpful information to help them become better parents. The Family Center concept came from a practical application of research. Many people feel its the most promising hope for helping parents who are struggling with issues ranging from domestic violence, lack of money and frustrations coming from not knowing where to turn when your kids seem out of control. According to Edie Sutton, Project Coordinator, the funding for the Family Center is very, very tight but the success stories are giving us the strength to continue. United Way has been a blessing.



## Cooperative Extension Clark To Speak

10-23-97

After an exhaustive search, Thomas E. Clark has been hired to fill the position of Cooperative Extension specialist in tree fruit quality, harvest and post-harvest storage.

Clark will work at Cornell Cooperative Extension in Lockport where he will join a four-person team responsible for tree fruit farm education programs for Niagara, Orleans, Monroe, Wayne, Ontario and Wyoming counties.

Clark is a native of Central Pennsylvania and received his Bachelor's degree in horticulture from Pennsylvania State University with an emphasis in crop production. Following graduation he worked at Penn State as a

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## The Orleans Gardener

### Are Ladybugs Unwelcome Guests In Your Home?

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

Fall is the time of year when animals, including insects, prepare for the coming winter. Part of that preparation includes seeking refuge protected from the elements. Many insects spend the winter in the adult stage under piles of brush or leaves and then emerge in the spring ready to build new homes and establish new populations. The Ladybird beetle, otherwise known as the ladybug (*Coccinella undecimpunctata*), is one such insect which is now seeking refuge triggered by the cold days of autumn. This particular ladybug has red wing covers with a total of 11 spots.

and adult chew holes in the leaf tissue. Most of the damage from these pests occurs in July and August but often isn't severe enough to warrant control. In severe infestations only leaf veins remain, giving a lacy appearance, and can greatly reduce yield or kill plants.

Fall harvesting of the soybean crop pushes these beetles out of their domicile and may encourage them to find other shelters such as your home. On warm autumn days you may find hundreds of beetles warming themselves on the sunny side of your house.

As the weather warms in spring adult beetles will lay their eggs in clusters on the underside of leaves.

Medina Journal-Register reporter David Allen was presented with a certificate from Cornell Extension Agent Elaine Wendt for his and the Journal's contributions to CCE's 25th Anniversary. (J-R)

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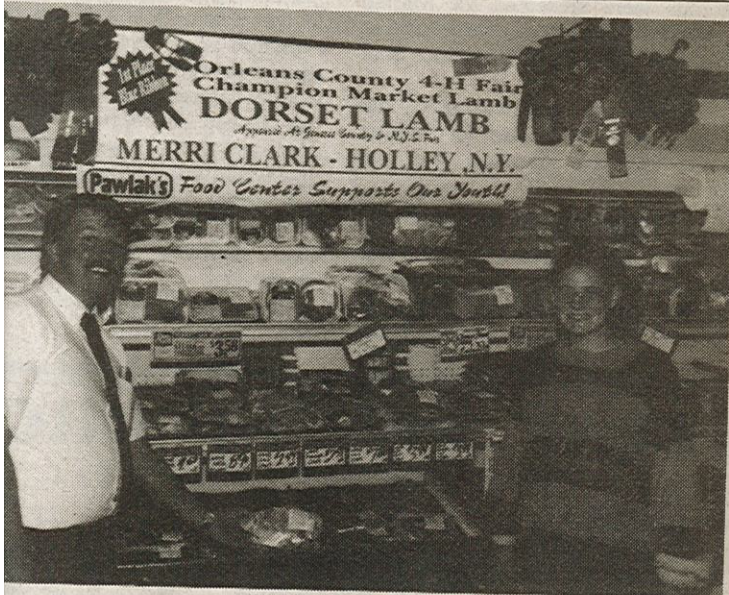
The Medina Journal-Register and reporter David Allen were honored earlier this week by the Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension for their contributions to the organization's environmental efforts.

Allen and the newspaper were among 31 area people and organizations receiving a certificate for partnering with Extension to educate the public on issues enhancing the environment.

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**WINNING LAMB** — Merri Clark of Holley recently won Orleans County Champion Market Lamb and competed at the Genesee and New York State Fair. Clark received training through Orleans County 4-H program, being a member for 11 years. The lamb was sold at auction to local buyers, Henry and Jerome Pawlak of Pawlak's Food Center, Albion. Clark is pictured with David Ward, manager of Pawlak's Food Center.





# The Orleans Gardener

## Fall Planted Garlic Enjoys Head Start In Spring

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By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

Not everyone appreciates or can tolerate garlic, but if you intend to grow it you should know that October remains the best month to plant garlic. Ideally, getting them in six weeks before the ground freezes allows the roots to establish themselves without green tops initiating for the winter freeze. The trick is knowing when that six week period begins!

This time in October is about the right time to plant garlic. Fall planting also typically yields larger cloves than spring plantings. Plantings made in November or later usually result in plants laying on top of the soil in spring from winter's frost heaving. Established roots help the clove "hold on" to the soil when the spring thaw arrives, since the roots did not set properly.

Garlic can be grown in a wide variety of soil types and can therefore make a home just about anywhere.

To plant, first separate garlic into individual cloves, then set cloves 3 to 4 inches apart and allow 15 to 24 inches between rows. Cover with enough soil so that 1/2 inch covers the tip of the clove. A mulch of straw or other loose, noncompacting materials may be used to protect the plants from severe winter conditions. Any mulch should be removed as soon as growth begins in the spring.

Remove seed heads to encourage the plant's efforts to fortify the bulb.

Sometime next July the garlic will be ready for harvest. You will know when this time comes as the tops start to dry and bend to the ground. Bulbs are removed from the soil shortly after and allowed to dry off thoroughly. Well dried bulbs can be stored at cool temperatures and low humidity for many months.

If you would like to receive a copy of the garlic information report produced by Roger Kline, Professor, Department of Vegetable Crops at Cornell, call me at 589-5561.

## Orleans Farm Bureau Planning Annual Meeting

10-11-97

The Orleans County Farm Bureau's 42nd annual meeting will be held October 21, at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Knowlesville.

Punch will be served at 7 p.m., with dinner to follow at 7:30. Dinner will consist of a pig roast by the Krenning Family and a buffet by Linda Hobbs.

The cost of the dinner will be \$11 per member, with a savings of a \$1 per membership if dues are paid. The payment of dues will also put members in a drawing for 25 hours' use of a loader tractor, donated by Bentley Bros. Guest speaker will be Tim Busky of the New York Farm Bureau.

## 4-H leaders recognition banquet kicks off 4-H Week

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On Saturday, October 4, nearly 100 4-H leaders were recognized for their service at a dinner held at the Hickory Ridge Club House. The event marked the beginning of the new 4-H year, October 1 and the national celebration of 4-H Week.

The following leaders were recognized: president - Joann Baxter, vice president - Linda Doherty, secretary - Jane Read, treasurer - Jean Webster, assistant treasurer - Clarence Preston, publicity - Janice Giltner. Other business included reviewing the proposed Leaders Association

budget for 1998 and the election of officers.

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# The Orleans Gardener

## Last Chance To Finish Garden Chores

By ELAINE WENDT

Overween masks the end of the year and the beginning of winter. No mistake, cold weather is on its way and it's easier to finish garden chores before the bitter winds blow through our area. Take a few minutes this coming weekend to get your garden in for the winter. Protect your trees and shrubs from ice damage. Plastic or metal guards are available. If using wire, be sure that it is 1/4 inch wire to protect against mice as well as rabbits. These guards should be buried into the ground at least 3 inches deep and rise above the ground line by 2 feet in order to protect against rabbits. Poisons and repellents can be used in conjunction with physical barriers. Follow all instructions. Thanksgiving is a good time to plant strawberries. Why not turn the Thanksgiving holiday. The garden will be looking forward to annual family activity if combined with hot chocolate and a hand of cookie favorites. Any persistent herbicides can be applied

before mulching to prevent weed seeds from germinating next spring.

Snow fences should be set now while the ground is still soft. The rule of thumb is to set a four foot high snow fence that has a density of 50 percent a distance of 40 feet away from the area to be protected, 70 percent dense fence at 24 feet away and an 85 percent dense fence at 16 feet away.

Protect semi-hardy perennials with a generous layer of mulch. Six to 8 inches of leaves contained in bags is a great method but not exactly landscape enhancing.

Store summer flowering bulbs in baskets of peat and maintain proper moisture during the winter. Never store diseased roots or corms. Call me for a free fact sheet on storing summer flowering bulbs.

Continue watering newly planted trees and shrubs until the ground freezes.

Clean up garden debris (died off plant stems, leaves, and fruits) to prevent insects from overwintering and disease from infecting your garden next spring. Insect eggs and adults can be seen inside dried stems of many garden plants.

Check your soil pH before applying wood ashes to garden areas lest you worsen existing pH problems.

Plant tubs of spring flowering bulbs to give as gifts for the holidays or for your own enjoyment next spring. You can call them "baskets of surprise."

Keep those leaves raked and add them to your compost pile. Alternate with a little soil, mature compost or manure to speed up the decomposition process.

Dig that hole now if you plan to purchase a live Christmas tree. It is a lot easier to dig a hole before the ground freezes. The tree will be happier in the ground after the holidays as well. Cover the hole with a sheet of heavy duty plywood or otherwise mark it to prevent human injury.

Call me at 589-5561 for more information on how to subscribe to or give a gift of The Garden Scouting Report.

## 4-H Fair Seeks 1998 Sponsors

The Orleans County 4-H Fair Committee is already seeking sponsors for evening meals for the 1998 fair, according to Commercial Exhibits Chairman Gail Culver.



Shelby dairy farmer Bill Eick tends to some of his calves, many of which are rising over the past 20 years, many da

## State Joins Dairy Task Force To Look For Ways To Stay Afloat

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer  
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SHELBY — For too many years to count, brothers Bill and Ken Eick have managed their family's Freeman Road dairy farm, handed down from their father and, perhaps, someday to the next generation.

Despite the dawning of the computer age, dairy farming hasn't changed much over the years. Bill and Ken still put on boots and overalls each morning and trudge through the dirt, just like their father before them, to tend to the needs of 130 cows.

Another thing that hasn't changed with the times are dairy prices; over the years the wholesale price of milk has failed to keep pace with the rising costs of electricity, feed, machinery and taxes.

With milk prices hovering near a 20-year low, Gov. George Pataki last week formed a dairy task force to find a solution to what many are calling a crisis. But the problems behind milk prices have plagued the industry for years, and there may be no easy way out.

"We are committed to saving the dairy industry of New York state," said New York Agricultural Commissioner Donald Davidsen. "It's a matter of what's the best solution."

The wholesale price of milk fell more than 20 percent over the past year to just over \$12 per 100 pounds, lower than the \$12.25 paid to farmers in 1979, according to the New York Farm Bureau. In general, milk prices have refused to budge more than a dollar or two over the past two decades.

As a result, the number of dairy farms in the state has fallen from 15,800 in 1986 to under 9,000 this year, and the economic future of the market is perhaps at its most uncertain point in memory.

"We're in a cash crunch," admits Bill Eick. He estimates that just to break even, his farm would need to bring almost \$16 per 100 pounds. "Some dairy farms are debt free, but



# Anderson To Speak At Human Services Conference Thursday

By KAREN SAMPSON  
Albion Staff Writer

As a boy, Terry Anderson attended Albion Elementary School. As a man, his captivity as the longest-held American hostage in the Middle East made his name known worldwide.

Anderson will return to the village of Albion on Thursday evening for the Human Services Council of Orleans County fall conference. The conference will be at Albion High School from 4-9:30 p.m. This year's theme is "Communication: At Home, At Work And In the Community, Improving Communication To Improve Life."

The conference will provide a real conversation on social issues and bettering and strengthening the need for communication, Anderson said.

"All these people (in human services fields) work with real people in trying to provide them help," Anderson said. "That's what we have to keep focused on. When we go rewriting the safety net, we have to make sure the system is efficient and we're not wasting money. But, we have to remember we are dealing with real people with real problems."

The discussion, Anderson hopes, will be open and offer possible solutions to the problems human services organizations attempt to help people through.

"Everyone in that room knows how complicated it is," he said. "They don't want to hear simplistic solutions. That's generally what we're hearing from the politicians. We're going to have a conversation here. We're going to have a nice question and answer session and that's the enjoyable part."

Anderson said he agreed to speak at the conference because he maintains strong ties with the local community.

"My cousin Patty Ruping invited me and I thought it sounded like a good thing," he said. "Up until ninth grade, I went to the Albion school. I have friends here and I see them now and then. I go back and forth to upstate New York now and then."

Anderson said he expects there will be questions about his time in the Middle East. He was held by Shiite fundamentalists for six and a half years, beaten on numerous occasions, constantly moved from location to location and witnessed the deaths of other captives he had befriended. His release came Dec. 4, 1991, the last American captive to be let go.

The village of Albion marked his release by proclaiming Dec. 22, 1991, Terry Anderson Day.

"The release of Terry Anderson in apparent good health, both in body and mind, affirms the strength and determination which the human spirit can assemble in quest of freedom which has been denied," the village board had said in the proclamation.

"I expect they'll want to talk about my experience in the Middle East," he acknowledged. Anderson said he is often asked about that time. He has written and published a book about the time, titled *In the Den of Lions*.

"We'll talk about what I'm doing now," he said. "I write a weekly column, which is carried in Batavia, and I talk about political and social issues. I try to say what I think. I don't know how useful it is, but it's fun."

The topic Anderson said he is most

interested in at the moment is the upcoming vote to hold a state constitutional convention.

"I do hope we'll be able to talk about New York," he said. "It is my state and I hope we'll talk about reform politics. I'm deeply involved in the campaign for the constitutional convention. I'm glad we're talking about it. It gives us a chance to discuss real issues, rather than the usual nonsense of popularity and rhetoric political discussion entails. Real issues."

Holding a convention is this generation's opportunity to make changes to state government that can't be made any other way, he said. It will give the people of New York the chance to voice their opinions, Anderson said he believes.

"There are a number of things that can be done and I hope would be done," he said. "High on my priority list, if I were to go, is to remove the reapproachment power from the Legislature and put it into the hand of a commission."

The commission would do away with the type of gerrymandering that has enabled the state Senate to remain in the hands of one party and the Assembly in the hands of the other, Anderson said.

"Nothing ever changes (because of the gerrymandering)," he complained. "That's one of the prime causes of the failures of our state. We have a 98 percent re-election rate. That's not a measure of democracy; that's a measure of the failure of democracy."



Terry Anderson will take part in the Human Services Council of Orleans County fall conference at Albion High School Thursday. Anderson autographed this portrait of himself done by former Albion High School student Lauren Tray, which now hangs in the entrance to the high school.

(Albion Photo By Karen Sampson)

A convention would have the power to change the budget process, discuss and perhaps even set term limits, he said.

"If we don't have a convention you wouldn't even get a chance to talk about it because the legislature won't even handle it," Anderson said. "There have been many constitutional conventions in the past. The people of

New York State have the right to vote after the convention and if they don't like it, they can vote it down. Nothing terrible will happen."

Anderson's visit is being sponsored by the United Way agencies of Eastern and Western Orleans County. Anderson said he is glad to be coming to Albion for the conference.

"It's a good group of people and I'm happy to do what I can," he said.



# Human Services Conference A Big Success

By BILL ROBINSON  
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ALBION — After a year of planning, the Human Services Council of Orleans County's conference, titled "Communication: At Home, At Work In The Community" is over and the bedraggled group which constitutes the organizing committee is tired and pleased with the way the day turned out.

"This year we wanted to do something the community could get something out of," Human Services Council President Ginney Springer said. "Communication is good because it's something everyone can use."

The event hosted 135 people involved in the 63 human services agencies throughout Orleans County. Several agencies sponsored clients to attend.

"There was about a 50-50 split between clients and agency people," Committee Member Bob Galbreath said.

"This was really an outreach for Orleans County," Kellie Spychalski said. "We have access to speakers the rest of the community doesn't."

Immediate Past President Nola Goodrich started the process of organizing the conference a year ago. Despite numerous glitches and even a last minute date change by Keynote Speaker Terry Anderson, the conference was a success. The good turnout was credited in large part to the hard work of speakers who donated their time and the volunteers who hand delivered information.



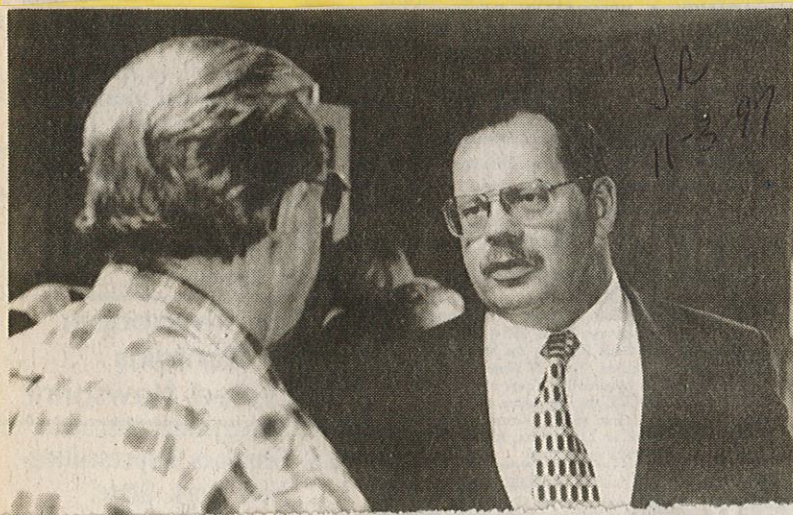
County Health Educator Nola Goodrich presents Terry Anderson with a 50th birthday card following the keynote address at the Human Services Conference. The card was signed by conference-goers and friends.

(Albion Photo By Karen Sampson)

"Even if no one came to this, it was so neat to see the other agencies working together," Secretary Edna Kriner said.

The Human Services Council of Orleans County is a nationally rec-

ognized organization of agencies which meets the second Tuesday of each month. The group shares information and resources to better serve their population.



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# Anderson's Thoughts On Journalism

By BILL ROBINSON  
J-R Staff Writer

ALBION — It is not every day an associate professor in journalism at New York's prestigious Columbia University appears in Albion.

Thursday this was exactly the case as Terry Anderson took a few moments between signing books and dinner to give his take on the state of journalism today. Anderson teaches a graduate level class in reporting and writing.

"I've always been convinced of the journalist's importance," he said, pacing in front of the high school. "They are a vital part of the democratic system."

Anderson, who is not unfamiliar with the trials of being a reporter in a war-torn country, recounted the stories of numerous journalists and photojournalists who go to work every day in dangerous political situations.

"Ask the people, who do they come for first? They take the journalists first."

Anderson is presently part of an international organization which works to free imprisoned reporters and photographers. He recently had

the opportunity to buy a drink for a reporter he helped free from a Turkish prison.

So why do it? Why go through the anguish of almost seven years chained to a wall or years imprisoned in Turkey or the beatings, shootings and political persecutions?

With a glint in his eye the reporter says, "It's also one hell of a lot of fun. It's a great job."

He recounted some of his interviews with world figures: kings, queens, tyrants, generals, celebrities and "a few saints."

"Most people don't live like that."

Anderson explained by walking into virtually any store in Western New York, a person can be informed about almost anything of substance happening anywhere in the world.

While he respects the coverage print journalism is able to give to world events, Anderson is far less respectful of its broadcast counterpart.

"If you were to watch television for six months would you get an accurate picture of the world? You would be sadly miseducated. It's distorted. ... I'm not happy with televi-

sion news."

The professor said the famed "paparazi," blamed for the death of Princess Diana in Paris, are not as bad as they are portrayed.

"I didn't see any drunken photographers driving the car. ... A lot of these people play a strange game with the press. They could easily have gotten out of the hotel without being noticed."

Anderson said the arrests of photographers after the incident was a reaction.

"One of the photographers they arrested was one of France's most highly respected hard news photographers and he wasn't even there when it happened."

After years of traveling the world in search of the story, the reporter, who is newly 50, waxed philosophical about Albion. He explained he had two close friends during his time here, both of whom had remained in the village and raised "wonderful families."

"I was considered very smart as a kid. ... Both of my friends stayed here. Who's smart?"



Terry Anderson





Services fall conference on Thursday. Anderson, a Albion native, and held by Islamic fundamentalists in 1985 and was the longest

(Albion Photo By Karen Sampson)

## Anderson Tells Teens Stages Of Opportunities

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on learned his basics as a Albion Central. He attended the district from kindergar- gh ninth grade before his

A slightly mischievous grin flashed across Anderson's face as one memory came to the surface.

"I got in trouble from throwing snowballs at cars," he confided. "I got chased down the railroad tracks by a truck driver I got threw his open window."

One of the young people, a student at Albion High School, asked Anderson what he would say to other high school students.

"It's a world that has an increasing number of possibilities," he said, encouraging students to do their best at their studies. "The number of choices

## Anderson Reflects On More Difficult Times

By KAREN SAMPSON  
Albion Staff Writer

Terry Anderson's odyssey began when four men with long white beards pushed him into a car, covered him with a blankets and sped off into the heart of war-devastated Beirut.

"Don't worry," the man in the front seat said in a conversational manner. "It's political."

This "political" act launched one of Albion's sons, a journalist, father and fiance, onto the world stage as the longest-held American hostage in the Middle East. It forever changed his life and the lives of those who knew him, loved him and prayed for his safe return.

Thursday evening Anderson spoke at the Human Services Council fall conference at Albion High School.

"When the Human Services Council first talked about who'd we get for keynote, we tossed about names such as President Clinton, Patrick Swayze, myself," Nola Goodrich of the Orleans County Health Department said. "His favorite cousin, Patti Ruping, suggested Terry Anderson."

The council was honored that Anderson, who now writes a weekly column and teaches graduate level journalim at Columbia University, accepted the invitation to return to his first hometown and discuss the importance of communication, she said.

"What impressed me most was the growth he underwent spiritually," Goodrich said. "Terry Anderson took the opportunity to stretch the limits of communication and captivity and found his faith and himself."

"I'm not an expert in human services or, I've discovered, an expert on communications, as my wife tells me," Anderson began. "I was the chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press in Beirut when I got kidnapped."

The civil war in Lebanon was a bad war, he described, during which many terrible things happened. He met many people that could be called bad, even evil, he said.

"I met a lot more good, stubborn people," Anderson said. "I stayed three and a half years and I fell in love with Lebanon and the Lebanese people."

One Lebanese person in particu-

him for 17 of their compatriots held in a Kuwaiti prison.

Anderson related his story of six and a half years separated from his family and his world and the people he met, gaurds, other prisoners, in that time. His faith in God and the hope to be reunited with Madeline, to meet their child and see his other daughter, Gabrielle, and his family again sustained him, he said.

"I went away for seven years and I came back and she (Madeline) was standing there, waiting for me," Anderson said. "I know she loves me. That's some rock to build on."

Learning of the prayers of the American people for him, his family and the other captives was a great comfort, he said. When he mentions he knows people prayed for him by name, Anderson said he always sees people nodding silently.

"I'm not a theologian or a philosopher," he said. "I don't have any big lessons to impart. We are all capable of an awful lot more than we think we are. Everybody gets tested. Some of us worse than others. I also believe that when we face those terrible times, that we have to reach inside ourselves to get through. It's that searching, that reaching, that helps to get us through. I am more than content to be home again and have the joy and contentment I have in my life."

Anderson spoke about his journey down the road of forgiveness toward those who held him. He said it is a continuing process.

"It's enough they have given up violence," he said. "I don't ask them to be sorry, because they are not. It's not about them or whether they're sorry. It's about me and what's in my heart."

Anderson said his life has moved beyond those dark years, filled with mixed parts of fear, boredom, humor, blindfolds and chains.

"I don't even think about it as part of my daily life," he said. "It finally ended. I came home."

Among his present activities, Anderson is the vice chairman of the Committee to Protect Journalists. This committee works to protect journalists who are in danger.



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# The Orleans Gardener

## Sprout Broccoli Seeds At Home

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cornell Cooperative Educator

Broccoli has been given much attention lately as the latest food believed to have cancer risk reducing qualities. In fact, according to Cornell's DNS Alert, the sprout of this vegetable is identified as having 10 to 100 times the value of sulforaphane, the ingredient which promotes the body to produce the tumor prevention enzyme. Therefore, it is currently believed that small quantities of this sprout may substitute for larger quantities of the mature vegetable in providing sulforaphane. The evidence however still suggests that it's a diet high in fruits and vegetables (and not sprouts, per se) that is

connected with reduced risk of certain cancers.

So how is it that you grow broccoli sprouts anyway? Thomas Bjorkman, Associate Professor of Vegetable Crop Physiology at Cornell, suggests these guidelines:

—Start with raw, untreated seed. Many seeds are treated with fungicides for garden soil germination. This will be clearly listed on the seed package label. Do not eat sprouts grown from treated seed. DO NOT try to wash the fungicide from the seed in order to use it.

—Keep the seed damp through the sprouting process. Put 2 tablespoons of seed in a mason jar. Cover the top with a single layer of cheese-

cloth and hold it in place with a metal band. Add ½ cup water, swirl it around a few times, then pour it out. Keep the jar at room temperature (70-80 degrees F).

—Repeat morning and evening for 3 days. On the last day leave it on the window sill so that the sprouts can green up. Store the sprouts in the refrigerator.

—Although I do not have any additional information on sprouting seeds, we do have a publication on Herbs and the Lee-Whedon Library is an excellent source you may want to consult.

—Call me at 589-5561 for a free catalog of publications worthy of gift giving for the holidays.

## 4-H Leaders Attend

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# The Orleans Gardener

## Burning Wood

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

If you have never used wood as a fuel source and are venturing into the purchase of wood for your new fireplace or wood stove you may want to take a few notes. From our earliest childhood years we've learned that dry wood is best to burn for obvious reasons: it ignites easier and burns hotter, there's less smoke and less creosote to gum up the chimney. But there is much more to know, to avoid getting "burned."

The heat value from burning wood is dependent on the density of the wood, the amount of resin and the water content. These factors vary among tree species and determine the value of the wood as fuel. In general, heavy, dense wood such as that from Ironwood, Hickory, Beech and Apple produce high amounts of heat with the least amount of smoke.

They are also, however, more difficult to split and should be done when green. Lighter woods give off the same amount of heat per pound of wood but require larger volumes to achieve the same weight. Some examples are Pine, Aspen, and Willow. Learn your wood types for best value before you go out shopping.

Another consideration when buying wood for fuel is knowing how much smoke each gives off. Norway Spruce, for example, gives off high amounts of smoke and should be avoided. It would however, ward off mosquitoes if used in the yard during the summer! Tamarack and White Pine are smokers also.

If you are purchasing or pricing wood you will need to know the difference between a face cord and a full cord or "standard cord." A standard cord is a well stacked pile of logs 4 feet wide, 4 feet high and 8

feet long. A face cord only describes two dimensions: they are 4 feet wide and 8 feet long. Log length can vary from 12 to 24 inches. This makes it difficult when comparing prices. You should ask how long the log lengths are to know exactly what you are getting and for better comparison.

The last thought I would like to leave you with is that if you intend to bring wood into the house, expect to bring unwanted tenants in as well. Insects live in and on top of wood and will be quite happy in your living room. Call me for a free fact sheet on "Insects And Firewood, Some Facts."

For more information call about our Cooperative Extension Northeast Regional Agriculture Engineering Service Publication "Burning Wood," 589-5561.

Janet Reno for a Justice Department investigation.

"I am deeply concerned with the increased tension this incident has created as well, as the troubling information I continue to hear coming from community leaders and farmers," he said in a letter to Reno.

Representatives of the New York State Farm Bureau had planned to discuss the situation with farmers Friday, but heavy snow forced the meeting's cancellation.

INS officials say that because an estimated 50 percent of western New York's more than 4,000 seasonal workers are in the country illegally, agents have reason to act. Since March, about 550 illegal aliens have been arrested, authorities said.

But the INS denies allegations that agents rough up the minimum-wage workers during random spot checks for paperwork.

"When we go in we have an idea of who we're looking for," said Mike McLaughlin, assistant director for investigations at the INS office in Buffalo. "We work on a lead-driven basis. To just go out and stop someone because they look Hispanic is not the way we operate."



# Friends Of 4-H Recognized At Banquet

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Margarite Dixon of Albion was recognized as a Friend of 4-H at the Orleans County Leaders Recognition Banquet held recently at Hickory Ridge Club House. Mrs. Dixon was awarded a plaque by the 4-H Leaders Association in recognition of her photography skills used to help "tell the 4-H story." For many years Dixon has taken photographs of 4-H'ers at the annual fair. She assembled a memory book of the 1996 "50th Anniversary" 4-H Fair. Dixon was a 4-H member and attributes many skills to her past involvement in the Youth Development Program.

Also receiving a Friend of 4-H Award was Marie Snyder. Mrs. Snyder is a 4-H parent and for several years has "gone well beyond the call of duty." She has been involved in numerous 4-H activities, including the Fair, Holiday Faire, Senior Council, and LABO — the Japanese Youth Exchange trip. Snyder is always there to do whatever is needed to get the task done, according to Janice Giltner, 4-H Leaders' Association member announcing the award.

Also recognized for their Outstanding Service to 4-H were David and Doreen Clark, leaders of The Shepherds 4-H Club. The Clarks met at the 4-H Fair when they were showing animals. They later married. According to Mrs. Clark, they spent part of their honeymoon at the 4-H Fair. For 12 years the Clarks have provided leadership to the sheep program at the county fair.

Virginia and Mark Hughes of Lyndonville were given an Outstanding Service to 4-H Award for their leadership of the Crafty Critters.

The 4-H Leaders Association sponsors and selects the award winners.

Leaders that have completed the 1996-97 4-H Year are:

## One Year

Emily Atwater, Theresa Brooks, Lisa Condoluci, Shelly Daggs, Howard Daggs III.

Sue Fetzner, Kay Fortunato, Sandra Furness, Patricia Gawne, Jack Gingerich.

Vivian Gingerich, Rebekah Greene, Darlene Hartway, Dorothy Heard.

Stacey Hill, Colleen Lewis, Linda Logan, Laura Luft, Barbara Maisano.

Angela Maume, David Millis, Annette Mrzywka, Donna Scharping.

Barbara Thomas, Barry Tylec, Lynne Wilson.

## Two Years

Walter Batt, Danna DuSett, Marilyn Elliott, Dawn Fraser.

Dawn Gaylord, Beth Gee, Skip Lear, Cindy Lonnen, Beverly Pulaski.

Bambai Rocco, Darien Ross, Carolyn Squires, Sandra Suty.

## Three Years

Carole Dain, Cindi Davis, Patricia Dodson, Jonathon Dodson Sr.

Jaye Gerling, William Gerling, Jeffrey Lewis, Susan Miller, Janelle Uderitz.

## Four Years

Randy Baxter, Anne Cronin, William Hilfiker Jr., Kay Kurtz, Peg Lemcke.

## Five Years

Linda Doherty, Carolyn Flansburg, Robert Greene, Mary Joan Heinsler.

Lynn Hill, Michelle Toenniessen, Peter Toenniessen, Carletta Tylec, James Watts.

## Six Years

Michele Batt, Joann Baxter, Robert Buffin, Joanne Condoluci.

Kelly Eick, Catherine Greene, Dawn Keppler, Judith Kurtz, John Read.

## Seven Years

Suzanne Larson, Dawn Marciszewski, Sheryl Watts.

## Eight Years

David Higgins, Peg Randall.

## Nine Years

Vincent Flow, Jan Gailey, Nadine Hanlon, Sarah Johnson, Dawn Weaver, Matt Weaver.

## Ten Years

Sandy Bezon, Joe Bezon III, Caren Curtiss, Danielle DePoty.

Glenn Giltner Jr., Rita Helsdon, Polly Hill, Kenneth Read III, Nancy Walker.

## Eleven Years

David Clark, Doreen Clark, Norene Higgins, Virginia Hughes, Mark Hughes, Jean Webster.

## Twelve Years

Joyce Chizick, Susan Lear, Laverne Lear Sr.

## Thirteen Years

Linda Kirby.

## Fifteen Years

Guy DuSett, Marilyn Munzert, Tom Persia.

## Sixteen Years

Jane Read.

## Seventeen Years

Donna Wagner, Gary Watts.

## Eighteen Years

Susan Persia, Robyn Watts.

## Twenty Years

M. Joanne Johnson, Neil Johnson.

## Twenty-Two Years

Clarence Preston.

## Twenty-Three Years

Ann Preston, Nancy Weaver.

## Twenty-Six Years

Janice Giltner.

## Thirty-One Years

Pauline Lanning.

## Thirty-Nine Years

Marjory Davis.

## Fifty-Five Years

Dotty DuSett.

Centerpieces for the banquet were provided by the Barre Bunch 4-H Club, Jane Read, leader; favors by the New Kids On The Block, Dawn Marciszewski, leader; table decorations by the Hindsburg Hilltop// Towpath Club, Dotty DuSett, leader; leaders' gifts by the 4-H Senior Council under the leadership of Pauline Lanning, and the cake by Carolyn Squires.

Banquet arrangements were provided by Linda Doherty and Ann Preston. Entertainment for the evening included Kelly Bentley, vocalist, and the 4-H Fair Slide Show by Gail Culver.





# The Orleans Gardener



JR 11-13-97

By ELAINE WENDT

## Cooperative Extension Educator

Weather conditions have been perfect this year for fungal disorders; this time the target is not in the Plant Kingdom. White cars and houses are the unlikely and unfortunate objects of this latest disorder.

A group of fungi called "shot gun" or "artillery" fungi from the genus *Sphaerobolus* are literally leaving their mark on houses, cars, and nearly anything that is white. Small brown spots, about 2mm in size and nearly impossible to remove, are literally stuck on white

surfaces. These spots cannot be removed unless scraped off, risking damage to the object's surface.

The spots are a mechanism for this fungus to disperse its spores. The fungus develops on rotting materials such as wood chips and dung. Cup shaped fungal cells grow and collect water and cell contents. When liquid is accumulated the cupped cells invert, causing a burst, propelling the spores, called peridioles, as high as 6 meters. Thanks to a glue-like substance covering the spores the "shots" adhere to the surface like super glue.

There is no "silver bullet" to control this problem but there are a few management strategies that will reduce their incidence. Wood mulches contribute to this phenomenon so using mulches such as gravel, fabric, bark, or covering older mulches each year with a layer of fresh mulch will provide a barrier to the artillery effect. Pre-rotted mulches will be beyond the problem stage and will contain antagonistic organisms.

Call me at 589-5561 to receive a free fact sheet on "Artillery Fungus."

## Cooperative Extension Offers Holiday Decoration Advice

JR 11-13-97

One way to save money on holiday greens is to prune them from your garden. Another involves buying the right type for the right use.

Narrow-leaved evergreens such as pine, yew, fir, juniper and aborvitae are better for indoor use because they dry more slowly and don't drop their needles readily.

If you prune your own plants, use sharp pruning shears to cut small twigs flush with main branches. If you leave stubs, they die back and make it easy for disease organisms and insects to enter.

These tips and many more are in the Cornell Cooperative Extension publication "Christmas Decorations." You'll find detailed instructions on

how to make wreaths, festoons, roping, candle garlands, a candle centerpiece and door sprays.

The 20-page bulletin was written by Professor Emeritus Raymond T. Fox of the Department of Floriculture, College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Cornell University.

"Christmas Decorations" (141IB134) is available for \$3, while the supply lasts, from the Cornell University Resource Center, 8 BTP, Ithaca, N.Y. 14850. New York state residents must add applicable sales tax. Copies of this publication may also be available at Cornell Cooperative Extension Association offices throughout New York state.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec. 1 **JR 11-27-97**  
Activities at the Family Center, 306 Pearl St., Medina: Christmas Time 9 a.m., make patchwork quilts; Discussion 10 a.m., making your own holiday traditions; Activity: make homemade garland.

Dec. 2  
Orleans Community Action Committee Inc. Child Care Resource and Referral Nutrition Training, 7 p.m., Batavia. Contact 1-800-716-7727.

Dec. 3  
Orleans Community Action Committee Inc. Child Care Resource and Referral Family Day Care Business Workshop, 7-9 p.m., Medina. Contact J.L. Vaughn at 1-800-873-2566.

Dec. 5-7  
Medina Country Christmas, Medina Chamber of Commerce. A celebration of trees, historic home tours, holiday decorating contest and dog sledding demonstration. Handicap accessible. Call 798-4287 for more information.

Dec. 8  
Activities at the Family Center, 306 Pearl St., Medina: Christmas Time 9 a.m., make holiday cards; Discussion 10 a.m., tips on enjoying the holiday season with the children; Activity: make paper plate mail pockets.

Dec. 9  
Orleans Community Action Committee Inc., Nutrition Workshop, 7-9 p.m., Medina. Contact J.L. Vaughn at 1-800-873-2566.

Dec. 13  
The Tigers roster also includes Dan Hogan (6-1), Dave Dewing (5-8) and junior Pat Woodworth (5-10), Kyle Kosiorek returns seniors Justin Frahier (5-11), the lineup for Lyndonville which also (6-1) and Tom Payne (5-11) anchor  
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(6-1) and Tom Payne (5-11) anchor

## Come To The 4-H Holiday Faire

JR 11-27-97

KNOWLESVILLE — For a bright start to your holiday season, plan to attend the annual 4-H Holiday Faire. It will be held Saturday, Dec. 6 at the 4-H Fairgrounds on Route 31, Knowlesville and will be open to the public free of charge from 1-4 pm.

The purpose of the 4-H Holiday Faire is to provide a showcase for projects made by 4-H'ers and to give the public useful information and exciting ideas for the holidays.

and Mrs. Gary Lindke and Brett Fund, Eastman Kodak Co., from Mr. Lorio, from Roll Coating Sympathy Caroline Bacon, from Sam and Janet and Laurie Caldwell, from George and For Louise B. Sevenski from Tim Norma Jones.  
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"This promises to be a festive event for all ages at minimal or no cost," says Laura Shortridge, 4-H educator. "Come support our 4-H youth while having a great time in the process! Happy holidays!"

Note: Visit Cooperative Extension's website:  
[www.cce.cornell.edu/orleans/holiday](http://www.cce.cornell.edu/orleans/holiday)





# The Orleans Gardener



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## December Garden Tips

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

December is your last chance to finish 1997 garden chores.

Check mulches and protective covering around plants. Water fall planted shrubs and trees if necessary, remember winter winds can dehydrate plantings. Roots need to be kept moist even during cold weather.

Contact Cooperative Extension for gift giving ideas. We have an excellent selection of reasonably priced publications, ideal for the holidays. Call us and ask for our publications catalog or stop by our office to personally review them.

Keep houseplants away from heating ducts that might desiccate them. Brush off dust and ashes that accu-

mulate on leaves, especially nearby wood stove units. Put plants in bags if you are leaving town for any length of time, your bath tub makes another nice location for vacationing plants.

Winterize your garden tools. Drain gas and oil from your lawn mower and add new 30 weight oil, remove grass residue from under the mower, remove blades and have them sharpened. Remove soil from gardening tools and wipe with waste oil. Treat wooden handles with a 1:2 mixture of linseed oil and paint thinner. Wipe hedge shears and pruners with a rag dipped in paint thinner to remove sap, sharpen and oil them.

Locally grown Christmas trees are more likely to retain their needles

through the holiday season than those which are shipped long distances. In any case, shake the tree or run your fingers along the branches of the tree to make sure the needles don't drop off easily. Cut the end off the bottom and immediately set it in water. Keep the tree well watered to retain freshness. If possible keep the tree in a cool location until decorating.

Inspect houseplants for insects. Mealybugs, aphids and spider mites are particularly common. Call me for control recommendations.

Cover those strawberries with mulch if you haven't yet. Remember, your mulch is intended to keep them cold during January thaws which might initiate premature bud development.

Prune off storm damaged branches right away to obtain a clean cut and to avoid tearing of bark tissue.

Use salt sparingly to melt ice on walkways. Salt run off can damage garden plants. Sand may be all you need on some days.

Make sure your pesticides are stored labeled and in a dry location away from pets and children. Weed killers should be kept separately from other pesticides and fertilizers.

## Plantation Director To Address Annual Cornell Meeting

CHILDS — Dr. Donald A. Rakow, Elizabeth Newman Wilds Director of Cornell Plantation and Associate Professor of Landscape Horticulture at Cornell University, will be the keynote speaker at the 83rd annual meeting of Orleans County Cornell Cooperative Extension on Dec. 2 at Tillman's Historic Village Inn in Childs.

Dr. Rakow received his BA from SUNY Albany in 1973 and Master's in Professional Studies in Ornamen-

## County Budget Hearing Set

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By DAVID ALLEN

J-R Staff Writer

ALBION — Residents will have the opportunity next week to comment on Orleans County's proposed 1998 budget.

County legislators scheduled a public hearing for Monday, at 7:30 p.m., to discuss the proposed \$45.9 million spending plan. With the use of unspent Social Services funds and a countywide reassessment, county officials anticipate an average tax rate of \$6.90 per \$1,000 worth of assessed property value, a \$1.20 drop from 1997. The meeting will take place at the Albion High School LGI.

The proposal includes a \$7.947 million tax levy, a 2.08 percent drop from 1997.

The county Department of Social

Services reported nearly \$1 million in unspent funds this year; county officials credited the savings to a combination of factors, including the implementation of a federal welfare reform plan and an improved job climate. The Legislature has planned to use part of that money to increase its contribution from the general fund from \$500,000 to \$1.05 million.

The same factors have resulted in the county's plans to lower budgeted DSS spending in 1998. County officials also anticipate an increase in sales tax revenues next year.

Also as part of the budget, county employees will receive a 3.5 percent pay increase. Other spending increases include a \$250,000 addition to the highway department, and a \$30,000 increase in tourism funding.







The Medina Health Care System and Lake Plains YMCA were given the Orleans Cooperative Extension's annual Friend of Extension Award Tuesday, during the Extension's annual dinner. From left are Health Care System President Walter Becker, Community Partners Wellness Director Cindy Perry, and YMCA Executive Director David Granville.

## Medina Health Care System, YMCA Earn Annual CCE 'Friend Of Extension' Award

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

CHILDS — Rewarding the Medina Health Care System and the Lake Plains YMCA for their support of Medina's Family Center, the Orleans Cornell Cooperative Extension presented the two organizations with its "Friend of Extension" Award Tuesday.

"Without friends and partners like the Health Care System and the YMCA, Extension could not have brought the Family Center idea to Orleans County," said CCE Executive Director Shirley Bright during Extension's annual dinner, held at Tillman's Village Inn.

The two organizations were honored for their assistance in helping

get the center started and growing over the past two years.

The Family Center opened in 1996, in office space supplied by Medina Memorial Hospital's Community Partners Program.

"(President) Walter Becker and (Community Partners Wellness Director) Cindy Perry of the Medina Health Care System showed courage and leadership by allowing Cornell Cooperative Extension to demonstrate a model program that research has shown can have positive impact on families," said Bright.

The center provides numerous programs to support families. "From providing moral support to teaching parenting education and nutrition,

we are helping people help themselves," said CCE Educator Edie Sutton.

When the center outgrew its space earlier this year, the YMCA, led by Executive Director David Granville, offered a larger area, at a low cost, allowing the center room to grow.

During the event, Extension presented an award to State Senator George Maziarz, who was credited for his support of Cornell Cooperative Extension Week this past October, and for his assistance to other CCE programs. Four outgoing members of the 4-H Fair Board — Gail Culver, Pauline Lanning, Clarence Preston and Dona Scharping — were also given certificates in recognition of their service.

☒ **NUTRITION EDUCATOR NEEDED** to work in Medina/Albion with limited resource families. HS degree required. Training provided. Call Cooperative Extension at 589-5561 to receive a Job Description and apply. Deadline December 12, 1997.

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# County Plans Budget Vote

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

ALBION — Orleans County lawmakers are expected to approve this afternoon the county's largest tax levy decrease in 20 years, as part of the proposed 1998 budget.

The proposed \$49.9 spending plan includes a \$7.947 million tax levy, 2.4 percent under 1997's budget. County officials credit the drop to an expected increase in sales tax revenues, and lowered spending in the county's Department of Social Services (DSS). The department reported nearly \$1 million in unspent funds this year, a trend expected to continue into next year.

Legislators have recommended using \$500,000 of the unspent DSS money to lower the levy, more than offsetting a more than \$280,000 in lost state and federal aid. With the assistance of an updated countywide property assessment, the average tax rate will drop to \$6.90 per \$1,000 in assessed property value.

"I have had the opportunity now to work on the past four county budgets — and I can honestly say that this proposed budget is the best of the four in terms of maximizing service while minimizing cost to the

people," said Legislator David Callard, who chairs the county's Finance Committee, during a Monday public hearing on the budget.

About two dozen people — mostly county employees — attended the hearing. Only one, resident Vern Wright of Medina, commented on the plan. He recommended privatizing the county's nursing home, an idea legislators said they had already considered and rejected.

Legislators also said that the proposed budget calls for increased services, including additional spending for tourism and the Highway Department. Thirteen capital projects are also part of the plan, including increased road paving and canal culvert improvements on Culvert Road in Ridgeway.

Also included in the proposal is a \$2,500 "Rural Area Drainage Program." The Orleans Soil and Water Administration will administer the program, in which farmers and homeowners will be eligible to apply for matching grants to help ditching. Legislator Richard Bennett said the funds would be awarded on a percentage basis, depending on how many people applied.

# County Passes 1998 Budget

By DAVID ALLEN  
J-R Staff Writer

ALBION — The Orleans County Legislature formally approved the county's 1998 budget Tuesday, setting in place a spending plan for the upcoming year.

The \$49.5 million spending plan includes a \$7.947 million tax levy. At more than two percent under the current year's levy, it marks the largest decrease in 20 years.

"It's a perfect example of all the legislators working together with department heads," said Legislative Chairman Marcia Tuohy.

The average tax rate for the next year will drop to \$6.90 per \$1,000 in assessed property value, reflecting a countywide property reassessment

completed earlier this year.

In other matters Tuesday, the board:

—Approved an agreement with Genesee County for the operation of the Orleans County Youth Bureau for 1998, at a cost of \$50,533.

—Scheduled the Legislature's annual reorganization meeting for Jan. 5 at 2 p.m.

—Accepted a \$28,800 grant from the New York State Canal Corporation, to partially fund improvements to the Erie Barge Canal Culvert in Ridgeway.

—Authorized the county treasurer to levy \$98,215.26 in unpaid school taxes, and recycling-solid waste program fees.

# The Orleans Garden

By ELAINE WENDT  
Cooperative Extension Educator

Horticulturally speaking of course, going native refers to using plant species which are adapted to our climate and weather conditions. Exotic plants are not always able to thrive in our soils or weather extremes.

There is considerable debate among horticulture professionals as to exactly what distinguishes a native from an exotic. Lily of the Valley for example, is a naturalized exotic originating elsewhere. Some naturalized exotics can be very invasive and without natural control can become problematic. Examples of plants which have grown out of control are Purple Loosestrife and Kudzu.

Native plants are plant species which have evolved from genetically historic flora. Wildflowers are native. Distinguishing between native and exotic becomes particularly difficult when considering species that have long histories of evolution in our continent but also are known to have been imported from other continents such as Queen Ann's Lace. A person would almost have to pick a cut-off date to categorize plants accurately.

For landscaping purposes it is safest to stay within plant species that are considered by most professionals to be native since their survival rates are higher. For practical purposes native can include plants which have proven themselves to be resilient to weather extremes if planted anywhere in the North American continent. Plants which may be mail ordered are particularly suspect since the consumer may not know whether the species has proven itself in our climate.

Climate is not the only considera-

tion when making a selection. Non native plants may also not have been exposed to the same disease and insect pressures common to our area. A diverse landscape of resilient plant species is your best defense.

While native vs. exotic may not be the most important criteria in selecting landscape plants, appropri-

ateness in environmental characteristics and consideration of determinants for your landscape.

Call 5561 to receive a brochure on choosing Native Plants for Home Landscaping.

Tuesday, December 9, 1997

## Extension Seeking Nutrition Educator

Cornell Cooperative Extension is seeking a nutrition educator to work in Medina and Albion with limited resource families. Training will be provided.

Those interested should call Cooperative Extension at 589-5561 to receive a job description.

Deadline for applying is Dec. 10.





**FAIR BOARD MEMBERS HONORED** — A quartet of outgoing members of the Orleans County 4-H Fair Board were honored during Cornell Cooperative Extension's annual dinner Tuesday. Gail Culver, Pauline Lanning, Clarence Preston and Dona Scharping were all lauded for their service to the board. Receiving certificates at the dinner were (from left) Ann Preston, representing her husband; Scharping, and Lanning. (J-R Photo By David Allen)

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# Viewpoint

## Family Center Holds Promise

Probably best recognized for its efforts with the 4-H and agriculture, the Cornell Cooperative Extension's contribution to and benefit for the entire Orleans community is well illustrated by the Family Center it developed in Medina in 1996.

Providing a wide range of service and support programs for families ranging from teaching parent education and nutrition to providing moral support, the Family Center has been made possible in large part thanks to the interest and assistance of the Medina Health Care System and the Lake Plains YMCA.

Fittingly, Cooperative Extension officials recently took the opportunity to thank those two organizations by presenting the Friend of Extension Award to the Health Care System and the YMCA.

On behalf of the entire Orleans community, which will greatly benefit from the support programs provided by the Family Center, we add our thanks to both the Medina Health Care System and the YMCA for seeing this need and for doing something positive to make the center a reality.

As Cooperative Extension Executive Director Shirley Bright well stated, "Without friends and partners like the Health Care System and the YMCA, Extension could not have brought the Family Center idea to Orleans County."

In paying fitting tribute to the assistance provided by the two organizations, Bright noted that the offer by the YMCA for a larger space at a low rent cost has allowed the Family Center to grow and that Health Care System officials "showed courage and leadership by allowing Cornell Cooperative Extension to demonstrate a model program that research has shown can have a positive impact on families."

The success of the Family Center, and its great future potential for helping Orleans families, clearly shows the wide-ranging benefit Cooperative Extension has for the entire community and also the outstanding dividends that can be realized by such cooperative assistance as was provided by the YMCA and the Medina Health Care system in this important undertaking.





# The Orleans Gardener



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## Real, Live Christmas Trees Need TLC

By ELAINE WENDT

Cooperative Extension Educator

This might be the year you decide to purchase a balled or potted living tree to serve as your Christmas tree. If it is, then take note that there are certain special requirements for keeping such a tree healthy while indoors and decorated.

In order to get the best results and pleasure from your live trees, here are some precautions to take as recommended by the Department of Horticulture and Ornamental Floriculture at Cornell:

1. Try to dig the hole in the spot where you anticipate planting the tree before the ground freezes. Fill the hole with leaves or wood chips and cover to prevent back filling from rainfall and freezing too deeply. Keep some soil in the basement or garage so it will not freeze which can be used when you plant your live tree.

2. Keep the tree indoors for as short a time as possible. Bring the

tree indoors and return it to the outside after Christmas gradually — perhaps one day in the garage, one day in a cool basement and then into the room where you plan to set it up and decorate it. Repeat this same process in reverse order when you take it outdoors.

3. Potted trees usually do better if the garden supplier pots it for you. A balled and burlapped evergreen tree should be placed in a porous pot and then in a bigger, waterproof pot, but keep the pots small so that they will be inconspicuous and keep the soil close to the roots.

4. Water the tree as you would a house plant. Water frequently and thoroughly but never allow the soil to dry out or become muddy.

5. Indoor temperatures should be kept as cool as possible, especially at night. Be sure that the tree does not receive direct sunlight, even through a window. Never place the tree near a fireplace or against an

operating radiator or other source of heat.

6. Soon after Christmas, plant outdoors in the hole previously dug for it. Use unfrozen soil and firm it around the roots of the tree. If the soil is heavy and lumpy, use one part peat moss to two parts of soil. If your soil lacks nutrients you can use a small amount of phosphate or an organic fertilizer, or wait until spring and apply a complete fertilizer. Be sure to add 2-4 inches of mulch, then stake and tie the tree to support it during heavy winds. It will be at least a year before the roots have taken hold well enough to resist strong winds.

7. Make sure to water after planting and every 20 to 30 days after that if there is insufficient rain or snowfall. Water in between freezing and thawing in winter, especially if there is little or no snow.

Good luck!



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## Turning A New Leaf

By ELAINE BONT WENDT

Cornell Cooperative Extension Educator

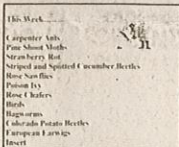
After five very successful years it is time for me to bring the Orleans Gardener Column to a close. I would like to thank all of my followers for their support and column suggestions through the years. The column was an excellent tool for program delivery of timely information critical to the home gardener.

You may want to satisfy your lust for gardening information through a different Extension offering. We are continuing the Garden Scouting Report after an extremely successful



## Garden SCOUTING Report

AN OUTREACH PROGRAM  
OF THE  
ORLEANS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS  
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Start with the scouting tool. Although some are all-purpose, most are designed for specific uses. The most common are the 10-inch and 12-inch models. The 10-inch model is the most versatile and is recommended for most scouting applications. The 12-inch model is recommended for scouting in the garden and for scouting in the field.

Stripped and Spotted Cucumber Beetles continue to feed on vine crops such as cucumbers, squash, pumpkins, melons, etc. They are difficult to control with insecticides. The best control is to remove the beetles from the plants. The beetles are most active in the morning and evening. They are most active in the morning and evening. They are most active in the morning and evening.

Peas are best killed in the summer with two successive applications of Roundup. Apply the second application when the new flush of leaves appears. Roundup is best used in the summer.

## 4-H Member Annual Five

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- Live Bait
- Fishing & Hunting
- Ammo & Archery
- N.Y.S. Licenses
- Pool Supplies
- SPA Chemicals

On Oct. 18, 23 4-H ram participants took annual 5-Star Evaluation Orleans County Fairgrou

The participants are on all aspects of horse parts of the horse, prop treatment of a horse, u equine equipment and the how to ride a horse der various techniques.

Completing their first year are Kelly Ashton,

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## Core Pesticide Recertification

A pesticide training program will be offered on Jan. 7 at the County Cooperative Extension facility in Knowles 12:30-4:30 p.m.

The training program is for individuals seeking a state pesticide applicator's recertification credits for

There is a registration fee. For more information, please call Nicole at 589-5561.

## Catering 798-4339

## PAINTING

IDENTIAL and COMMERCIAL offer four recertification credits for all categories of recertification: INTERIOR • EXTERIOR

There is a registration fee. For more information, please call Nicole at 589-5561.

DO IT RIGHT



# Annual 4-H Holiday Faire Called A Success

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**KNOWLESVILLE** — The Orleans County 4-H Fairground was filled with holiday cheer on Saturday, Dec. 6 as hundreds of people gathered for the annual 4-H Holiday Faire.

The purpose of the event is to showcase projects made by area 4-H youth and give the public information and exciting ideas for the upcoming holiday season. More than 550 individual projects were displayed, as well as more than a dozen club exhibits.

Youth could enter one project under each of 10 categories, ranging from centerpieces to tree ornaments to fresh cut evergreens. Clubs presenting hands-on demonstrations were Almost Anything Goes, Barre Bunch, Clarendon Rascals, Clarendon Mini Rascals, Eager Beavers, Goatherders, Heelers, Hoofbeats, H.O.R.S.E., Lyndonville Mongrels, Prayer Riders, Rabbit Raisers, Rainbow Specials and Riches Corner Revelers.

Santa arrived in a mule-drawn wagon driven by one of his elves. After the children visited one-on-one

with Santa, a sing-a-long took place with piano accompaniment by Albion youth Sandy Hales. Free wagon rides were offered throughout the afternoon, courtesy of Bob Pask. Local youth Carrie Baxter and Elissa Good played Christmas music on their bassoons for public enjoyment.

Court of Honor winners were as follows:

## Class 1 Handmade Gift

Heather Carr, Dan Dodson, Rachel Pulaski, Anita Snyder and Aaron Shaffer.

## Class 2 Holiday Food

Heather Carr, Terri Cronin, Shane Derry, Allyson Doherty, Amanda Flansburg, Chris Flansburg, Allison Gerken, Terra Giltner, Diane Smith and Amanda Vreeland.

## Class 3 Centerpiece

Carrie Baxter, Heather Carr, Caitlyn Fearby, Lisa Flow, Rachel Preston, Rachel Pulaski, Joli Sucy, Tara Toman, Emilia Webster and Amanda Vreeland.

## Class 4 Door Decoration

Scarlet Nesbitt and Rachel Preston.

## Class 5 Wall Hanging

Allison Becker, Caitlyn Fearby, Crystal Gerken, Donald Heard, Jamie Kurtz, Rachel Preston, Rachel Pulaski and Carly Wells.

## Class 6 Toy

Rachel Preston.

## Class 7 Tree Ornament

Melissa Brown, Adriana Harmer, Rachel Pulaski and Juliana Watts.

## Class 8 Gift Wrapped Package

Aaron Batt, Jenna Goheen, Joli Sucy and Julianne Watts.

## Class 9 Holiday Card

Rachel Bannister, Robert Bannister, Cassandra Cliff, Sheena Coon, Shane Derry, Heather Fair, Lyanne Fousse, Marissa Minier, Diane Smith, Julianne Watts, and Emilia Webster.

## Class 10 Fresh Cut Evergreen

Calab Cobb, Emily Cullen, Daniel Heard, Tiffany Snyder and Carly Wells.



**HELPING OTHERS** — The Medina Rotary Club recently gave a gift of \$750 toward the new cattle barn being built on the Orleans County Fairgrounds. Pictured here are Cheryl Smith, Cornell Cooperative Extension Educator; Pauline Lanning, Cornell Cooperative Extension property committee chairperson; Mike Zelazny, Medina Rotary Treasurer; Greg Dale, Medina Rotary President.

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## BRIEFLYS

### Military Mailgram

All 4-H youth and volunteers are invited on Jan. 17, 1998 to make valentines for service men and women stationed all over the world. This is a part of the annual effort of the Friends of the Military, which encourages youth groups, organizations, church groups, classrooms and individuals to make valentines for people serving in the military. This event is sponsored by the Orleans County 4-H Senior Council. If you would like to participate in this community service program, contact Cheryl Smith at the 4-H office at 589-5561 for more information.

### Teen Recognition Night

On Feb. 8, the Orleans County 4-H Senior Council will be sponsoring its annual Teen Recognition Night at the Village Inn in Childs. This program recognizes exceptional project work that teens in the 4-H program completed in the previous year. Teens are awarded medals for particular project areas and some are selected to represent the county on a trip to either Washington, New York City, Albany, DEC Camp or Cornell University.





# The Orleans Gardener



## 12-26-97 1997 Orleans Gardener Index

By ELAINE WENDT

### Cooperative Extension Educator

Below is a handy reference for those of you who clip and save the Orleans Gardener throughout the year. If you would like a copy of any of the articles listed below call us at 589-5561 after Jan. 4.

#### January

How Will Your 1997 Garden Be Different

Tips For Attracting Earthworms In 1997

Home Garden Vegetable Varieties For '97

Prune Home Garden Fruit Trees Now Through April

February Gardening

#### February

The Role Of Nutrients On Plants And Development

Caring For Your Valentine's Day Bouquet

Choose Garden Suppliers Carefully

March Into Spring

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Fire Blight, A Little Knowledge Goes A Long Way

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