

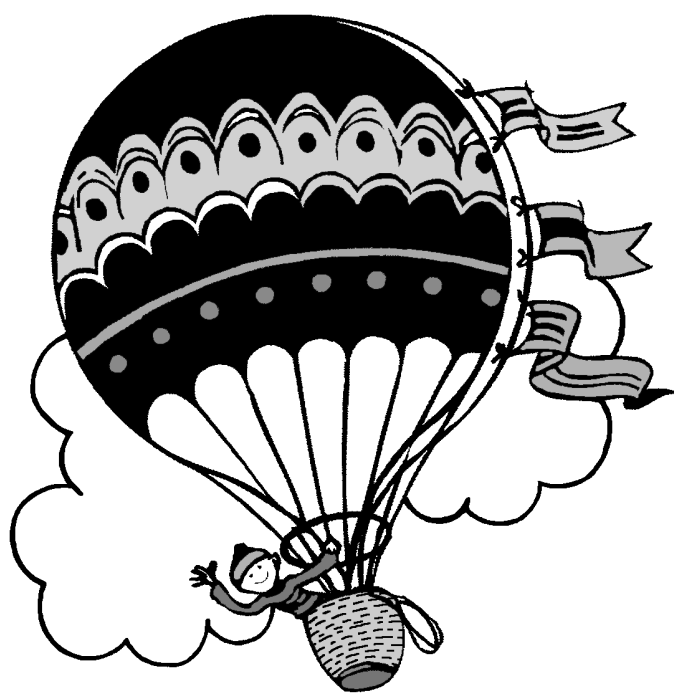


Community Focus

Work Party Scheduled for June 17

Construction of the arena fencing for the *Amy Countryman Outdoor Arena* is scheduled for Saturday morning, June 17 at the Lancaster Event Center building site. Volunteers are needed to help with installation of the commercially purchased fence posts and panels. An arena site has been prepared with proper grading and application of a fly ash base for sealing and good drainage. Visitors to the arena site will be impressed with the excellent results.

Ten to 12 volunteers are needed for two work times scheduled 8 to 10 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. The work party is being organized by Donna Snover. If interested in volunteering, Donna can be reached at 782-2976. (GB)



"Fun is in the Air at the Lancaster County Fair"

August 2-6

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Lancaster County Extension Welcomes Karen Evasco



Karen Evasco is the new staff replacement for Kathy French who recently resigned to move to Texas. Karen has a long time career as a Lancaster County employee. Her duties will be primarily the 4-H program and ewf. Karen lists time spent with her family as one of her most enjoyable activities.

A Potpourri of Herbal Ideas from Pioneers Park Nature Center

Bridal Events with an Herbal Twist

Saturday, June 17, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Prairie Building, \$10 per person. Add a dash of herbs to a bridal event or other special occasion. We'll explore ways of using herbs and flowers for your gifts and table decorations. Each participant will make an example to take home. Preparation of an herbal hors d'oeuvre and cake will be demonstrated and tasted.



Preserving Herbs and Flowers

Saturday, July 15, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Prairie Building, \$10 per person. We'll discuss preserving herbs and flowers for both craft and culinary use. Each participant will have the opportunity to make a greeting card with dried flowers. We'll explore ideas for the use of edible flowers in a variety of foods, with tastes provided.

An Herbal Tea Party

Saturday, August 19, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Prairie Building, \$10 per person. We'll discuss how to utilize a variety of herbs for delicious teas. Each participant will make a small herbal centerpiece to take home. A demonstration of the preparation of foods for an herbal tea party will be followed by the party itself!



For more information or to register, call 441-7895.

Lancaster Event Center Progress Report



Construction of the new Lancaster Event Center remains ahead of schedule and continues to move further toward completion. The size and shape of the buildings are becoming easier to identify with installation of the exterior wall materials.

Two cupolas and an entrance canopy have been added to the multi-purpose building. These additions enhance the structure's attractiveness and add to the overall distinction of the building.

The exterior of Pavilion I and II are nearing completion and attention has been directed to the interior construction. Construction of the four animal wash areas, the public restrooms, and installation of the fire sprinkler system have been the most recent priorities.

The Amy Countryman Arena should be completed and ready for use (pending building contractor approval) by August. (GB)



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