



# AG AveNEWS

**Friday**

September 24, 2004

## Kids' Day Returns to The Great Frederick Fair

Today is Kids' Day at The Great Frederick Fair, featuring special ride promotions and educational exhibits. Children ages 18 and under will receive free admission to the fair until 5 p.m.

Reithoffer Shows Inc. will offer nearly 30 rides, in addition to games and other amusements, for fairgoers to enjoy. All rides will be reduced by one ticket until 5 p.m. Regular prices will be charged after 5 p.m.

Special exhibits will be featured in the City Streets, Country Roads exhibit, Building 44, in honor of Kids' Day. The Fifth Annual Ag Careers Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Various hands-on activities will also be available. The Frederick County 4-H program will provide traditional and non-traditional demonstrations from noon to 6 p.m.

The Birthing Center gives visitors a chance to experience the live birth of various livestock and watch as the animal mothers care for their young. The Birthing Center is sponsored by MD Life Magazine.

The fair will again be distributing 25,000 copies of the Ag-Venture Passport Educational Programs which will feature 10 stations throughout the grounds. A map inside the passport assists fair goers where to find the 10 stations. The passports have information to answer questions at each of the 10 stations, and stickers are included in the passport to paste on the correct corresponding page.

Throughout the week, kids will be participating in two of the fair's new educational programs...Let's Grow A Pizza! geared for third grade students and Spuddy Buddy, targeted for nursery school through kindergarten.



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## Meet the Managers



*Joseph F. Devilbiss*



*Joseph C. Free*

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Mr. Devilbiss has always supported 4-H and believes that agricultural education and preservation are important for Frederick County and its citizens.

Mr. Devilbiss worked many years for a local construction company until he started his own company, Joseph F. Devilbiss Construction, in 1993. He brings to the board expertise in construction and building maintenance and knowledge of business and finances and will be serving on the 4-H, Property & Maintenance and Livestock committees.

Mr. Devilbiss has a love of agriculture and farming that has led him to spend his spare time farming. He owns 140 head of beef cattle and owns and/or rents over 375 acres of farmland.

Mr. Devilbiss has supported the 4-H through sponsorship of the Memorial Steer at the Frederick County 4-H Beef, Sheep and Swine Sale and through donations and service to the 4-H Therapeutic Riding Program.

Mr. Devilbiss is involved with his church serving on the Board of Trustees and on the board of the Mount Prospect Cemetery Association. He is also past president of the Professional Remodelers Association. He is a member of the Lewistown Fire Company, the Lewistown Ruritans and the Good Samaritan Program at FMH.

### *Joseph C. Free*

As a full-time Frederick County farmer and life-long fairgoer, Joe Free was eager to join the Frederick County Agricultural Society in January 1972. He was elected to the Board of Managers in August of that same year. Mr. Free served as president of the Frederick County Agricultural Society in 1984 and 1985. He is currently chairman of the Household, Arts & Homecrafts committee

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and the Farmers Market committee.

Mr. Free grew up with the fair tradition, exhibiting his family's dairy cattle and field products each year during the fair. Today his favorite fair attractions are the beef cattle exhibits, the Tractor Pull, and the nationally recognized "City Streets, Country Roads" Agriculture Education Awareness exhibit.

Although he retired from dairy farming in 1987, Mr. Free did not retire from farming. He now raises registered Hereford beef cattle and farms his cropland. He is an active member of the Frederick County Farm Bureau and is past president of the Frederick County Farm Museum. Mr. Free currently represents the Maryland Cattlemen's Association on the Maryland Farm Bureau Board of Directors.

Mr. Free is also a past director with the Maryland Association of Agricultural Fairs and Shows, as well as a member of the Sertoma Club, the Maryland Hereford Association and the American Hereford Association.



**Ag Careers Fair broadens agriculture awareness**

Looking for a career in agriculture? Then visit the City Streets, Country Roads exhibit today and see for yourself the many career paths that link to the ag industry. The Frederick County Agriculture Business Council, in conjunction with the fair, will host the fifth annual Ag Careers Fair from 10 a.m.-8 p.m. in Building 44.

The Ag Careers Fair is a "must see" event at the fair for anyone interested in discovering the many facets of the agriculture industry. This one-day event will feature many educational and career resources. The schedule includes:

- 10 a.m. Strongest Agri-Link - Gail Yeiser and Lisa Eye-Mangini
- 11 a.m. Natural Resources - Mike Slattery
- Noon Strongest Agri-Link - Gail Yeiser and Lisa Eye-Mangini
- 1 p.m. Chesapeake Bay and You - Wanda Maclachlan
- 2 p.m. From Field to Plate - Chef Tony Breda
- 3 p.m. Youth Grant Winners - Colby Ferguson and youth
- 4 p.m. Handful of Herbs - Kaitlyn Fuss
- 4:30 p.m. Bird Feeders and Houses - Tony Mazzola, Home Depot

"We want the students as well as the public to benefit from the Ag Careers Fair," said David Miller, co-chairman of the Frederick County Agriculture Business Council. Numerous exhibits will again depict the ag career paths students may consider for their future. "People just don't realize the wide range of careers that are connected to agriculture and natural resources. We hope we can continue to make the careers fair an annual part of the county fair."

Students as well as the fairgoing public are invited and encouraged to visit the careers fair and talk one on one with exhibitors. Represented careers range from wildlife management and landscape design to zookeepers and agribusiness educational institutions and agencies.

"This is a great concept to have all of these resources available in one location, all at the same time," Mr. Miller added.

Champions were selected in several departments at the Great Frederick Fair on Thursday. Below is a listing of top honorees in their respective departments.

### **Open Dairy Cattle Show**

#### *Brown Swiss*

Junior Champion - Tyler Nowell

Reserve Junior Champion - Stephanie Kepler

Senior and Grand Champion - Andrea Hood

Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand Champion - Stephanie Kepler

#### *Milking Shorthorn*

Junior Champion - Malorie Rhoderick

Reserve Junior Champion - Katie Albaugh

Senior and Grand Champion - Sherry Albaugh

Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand Champion - Katie Albaugh

#### *Jersey*

Junior Champion - Spring Valley Farm

Reserve Junior Champion - Spring Valley Farm

Senior and Grand Champion - Spring Valley Farm

Reserve Senior and Reserve Grand Champion - Spring Valley Farm



## **Beef, Sheep and Swine Sale**

### **Champion Market Hog**

Exhibited by Konnar Miller of the Johnsville 4-H Club

Purchased by Concrete General for \$12.25 per pound

### **Reserve Champion Market Hog**

Exhibited by Brandon Buffington of the Johnsville 4-H Club

Purchased by F&M Bank for \$7.25 per pound

### **Grand Champion Beef Steer**

Exhibited by Cory Krietz of the Johnsville 4-H Club

Purchased by Concrete General for \$10

### **Reserve Champion Beef Steer**

Exhibited by Brad Seiss of the Rocky Ridge 4-H Club

Purchased by Darling and Daughter Water Transportation and Mercer Stull Transportation Inc. for \$12

### **Grand Champion Market Lamb**

Exhibited by Konnar Miller of the Johnsville 4-H Club

Purchased by Concrete General for \$7.25 per pound

### **Reserve Champion Market Lamb**

Exhibited by Carrie Hightman of the Valley Urbanites 4-H Club

Purchased by Hightman Insurance Co. for \$6.50 per pound





## Today's Schedule Children's Day

10 am	Carnival Midway Opens Equine Showcase & Expo - Equine Show Arena
10:30 am	Open Class Alpaca Show - Bldg. 32
1 pm	4-H and Open Class Beef Cattle Judging - Bldg. 18 Grandstand and Track Entertainment
3 pm	Open Class Alpaca Show - Bldg. 32
6 pm	4-H Building Awards - Bldg. 32 Landscape's Contest Awards - Bldg. 32
7 pm	Selection of 4-H and Open Dairy Supreme Champions - Bldg. 32
7:30 pm	Brad Paisley Concert
8 pm	4-H Ice Cream Making Contest - Bldg. 32

There are many hands-on activities to TOUCH at The Great Frederick Fair.

PEDAL PULL	STICK HORSE
POTATO SAK RACES	TECHNICOW
SCARECROW MAKING	WAGON PARADE

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Tonight, the LegenDAIRY Celebration will begin at 7 p.m. in Building 32, the dairy show ring. Supreme champion dairy animals will be selected during the event filled with the pageantry of spotlights, music and formal attire. An ice cream making competition will be held immediately following the LegenDAIRY Celebration.

On the midway, some of the major rides expected include the 180-foot Giant Dutch Wheel, the Zipper, the Orbitor, the Tornado and the Coaster.

"The carnival attractions are always a special feature at our fair, and we are pleased to offer them again this year," said J.R. Ramsburg, president of the Great Frederick Fair Board. "As always, we will take every possible precaution to ensure these attractions are safe for our visitors."

Before opening to the public, each ride and midway attraction was inspected by the Maryland Amusement Ride Safety Unit. Maryland is one of 28 states in the U.S. that has an Amusement Ride Safety Inspection Program.

Before going on any ride, are urged to read the posted rules and observe age, height and weight restrictions. Be sure to follow the instructions of the ride operator. Keep hands, arms and legs inside the ride at all times. Be sure to use safety equipment such as a seat belt, shoulder harness, lap bar or chain when provided. And, stay in the ride until it comes to a complete stop.

