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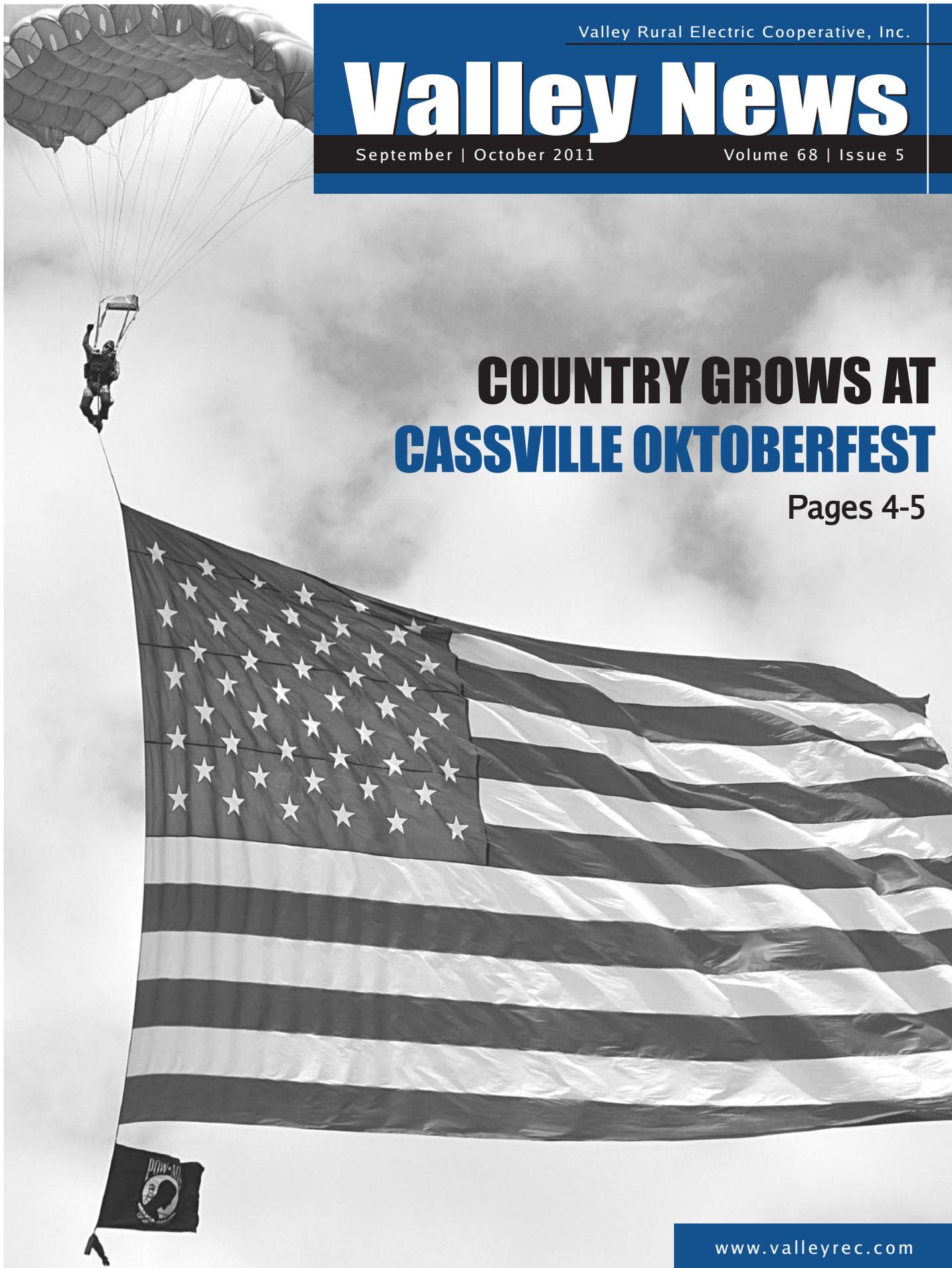
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COUNTRY GROWS AT CASSVILLE OKTOBERFEST

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New director appointed for District 4

AFTER THE DEATH of Clair McCall, the board of directors at Valley Rural Electric chose to appoint a new director to serve out the remaining months of Clair's term as director of District 4. (District 4 includes the townships of Cass, Clay, Cromwell, Shirley and Springfield as well as the boroughs of Cassville and Saltillo in Huntingdon County.)

After evaluating a number of candidates, Corey Brumbaugh was chosen for the role.

Corey comes to the co-op board with a wealth of business and leadership experience.

Since 2004, he has been self-employed as co-owner of Brumbaugh Lumber, LLC near Shirleysburg.

For six years prior to that, he sold lumber for Industrial Hardwood Corp. in Mount Union and Walker Lumber, Inc. in Clearfield.

He also worked at Blue Triangle Hardwoods, Inc. in Everett and for his father at his lumber mill, Brumbaugh Lumber Co.

In addition, he worked for FCI, an electronic and electrical interconnect systems supplier in Mount Union.

A native of Three Springs, Corey graduated from Southern Huntingdon County High School in 1986. At the same time, he graduated from the automotive mechanics program at the Huntingdon County Career and Technology Center.

Corey's post-secondary education includes business management courses at Dubois Business College and forestry classes at Penn State University and Virginia Tech.

Corey and his family attend The Way Bible Church near McVeytown.

Corey serves as president of the Three Springs Ambulance Service and has been an emergency medical technician for more than 10 years.

In his spare time, he is pursuing his private pilot's license.

Corey and his wife, Sandra, have two children: Coryna, 18, a student at Lib-



Corey L. Brumbaugh
Director, Valley Rural Electric Co-op District 4

erty University in Lynchburg, Va.; and Cheyanne, 16, a student at Calvary Christian Academy in Huntingdon.

Sandra serves as vice president of Bonney Forge in Mount Union.

Corey is 42 years old. He has been a member of Valley REC since 1989.

As appointed director for District 4, Corey is expected to fulfill all the regular responsibilities of a director until his term expires next year.

At a February 2012 dinner meeting, the co-op will, once again, be taking nominations for director of District 4. Corey is expected to seek a regular nomination to the board at that time. However, other co-op members who may be interested in running for director will have the opportunity to be nominated as well.

The election for director of District 4 will take place at the co-op's annual meeting in April. The chosen candidate will serve for a three-year term.

Members residing in District 4 should receive an invitation to the nominating meeting in January 2012.

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PHOTO BY NANCY BUCHER

Skydiver Jamie Lynn's high-altitude patriotic tribute was a hit at the 36th Annual Oktoberfest in Cassville, held Sept. 23-25. For more photos from Oktoberfest, see Pages 4-5.



PHOTO BY TODD ROSS

Demo shows dangers of contacting energized wires

During an educational safety program, held at the co-op's Huntingdon district Sept. 20, Journeyman Lineman Steve Gutshall demonstrated what could happen if a person contacts an energized electric wire. Steve used a hotdog to replicate human flesh. The co-op offers free educational programs to local schools and civic organizations. For more information, email memberservices@valleyrec.com or call 800/432-0680.

Did You Know?

Electric cooperatives own and operate more than 2.5 million miles of distribution line. That's enough line to circle the equator more than 100 times!



Source: NASA, NRECA

Fridge standards have saved consumers billions

BY ROLAND RISSER

Director, U.S. DOE Building Technologies Program

Although that late-night trip to the refrigerator may leave you feeling guilty for cheating on your diet, it should leave you feeling good about your fridge's energy consumption. That's because of innovative technology and meaningful energy conservation standards put into place by the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Building Technologies Program.

In recent decades, the DOE has led technological innovation that has vastly improved the energy efficiency of refrigerators and freezers (and thousands of other household appliances). As a result, it's a lot easier on your wallet and the environment to keep ice cream at peak frosty perfection. In fact, today's refrigerators use only about 25 per-

cent of the energy that was required to power models built in 1975 – even though they have increased in size by almost 20 percent and have added energy-using features such as through-the-door ice and water.

The dramatic rise in efficiency began in response to the oil and energy crises of the 1970s when refrigerators typically cost about \$1,300 when adjusted for inflation. Refrigeration labels and standards have improved efficiency by two percent every year since 1975. Due to research, useful tools, partnerships with utilities and other organizations, and market initiatives that helped enable refrigerator and other appliance standards, the DOE has helped avoid the construction of up to 31 1-gigawatt power plants with the energy saved since the first federal standards in 1987. That's the same amount of electricity consumed by Spain annually.

Decades worth of progressive energy-efficiency standards for refrigerators translate into big savings for consumers. Compared to refrigerators of the 1970s, today's refrigerators save the nation about \$20 billion per year in energy costs, or \$150 per year for the average American family.

The next proposed increase in refrigerator and freezer efficiency – set to take effect in 2014 – will save the nation almost four-and-a-half quadrillion BTUs over 30 years. That amount of energy could be used to power a third of Africa for an entire year.

DOE continues to invest even more in future innovations. So go ahead and eat those late night snacks. Your fridge has you covered.

To learn more about appliance standards, visit www.eere.energy.gov/buildings.

Susan Penning contributed to this article.



PHOTO BY SUSAN PENNING

ABOVE: The band Trough Creek Bluegrass performs gospel and bluegrass favorites for the crowd during Oktoberfest Sept. 24.



CASSVILLE OKTOBERFEST: A celebration of country life

THE STREETS OF CASSVILLE, a small village in Trough Creek Valley served by the cooperative, were packed with people Sept. 23-25 for the 36th Annual Oktoberfest celebration.

The three-day event, which was free and open to the public, offered a schedule full of attractions for visitors to enjoy, including bingo, horse and carriage rides, an Oktoberfest Run, entertainment by local musicians and singers, antique tractor and classic car shows, helicopter rides, games and an outdoor community church service.

Folks attending the festivities indulged in fresh homemade soups, apple butter and cider and other delicious treats while browsing through rows of homemade handiwork for sale by local artisans.

The tradition of the Cassville Oktoberfest began in 1976, when small towns throughout America were celebrating the nation's bicentennial. The family-friendly atmosphere and community spirit have drawn people back to this annual event every year since then.

Proceeds generated from this year's Oktoberfest benefited the Trough Creek Valley Lions Club and the Trough Creek Valley Volunteer Fire Co.



PHOTO BY SUSAN PENNING

ABOVE: Co-op billing clerk Nancy Bucher (center), along with her mom, Dolores Flasher (left), and sister, Suzanne Long, sell their homemade craft items each year at the Oktoberfest.

RIGHT: Festival-goer Aidan Hoffman (left) tries to win a goldfish with the help of his grandpa, Charles Hoffman.



PHOTO BY NANCY BUCHER

ABOVE: The field adjacent to the Cassville Community Building is filled with vendors eager to sell their food and wares at the Oktoberfest celebration.

RIGHT: Children attending the festival enjoy a merry-go-round ride while parents take a break on nearby park benches.



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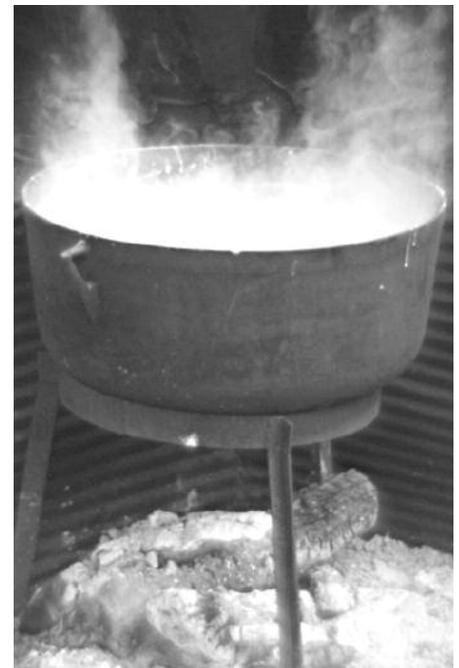


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ABOVE: The homemade apple butter and soups are popular with Oktoberfest visitors.

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Real Estate

314 2nd Street, Huntingdon - 2-story, 3 BR, 2 BA home w/ laundry area. New wiring, plumbing, furnace & water heater. Full basement. Could easily be made into duplex. For more information, call 814/599-7300.

Membership in Wilderness Resorts in Spotsylvania, Va. - A campground w/ lots of amenities. Year-round activities for all ages. Campsites open around the entire place; some along man-made lake, others in wooded area & open area also available. Membership sold for \$4,000+ in 1984. It can be yours for a mere \$2,000. Call 814/931-6774 for details.

450 sq. ft. commercial unit in the Ardenheim Business Center available for rent. Property is along busy Route 22 just 500 yds. east of Huston Ford. Call Decker Electric, Inc. for details at 814/599-0835 or 643-3775.

3 BR, 2-1/2 BA bi-level house w/ large wood stove, completed downstairs & 2-car garage. All appliances included. In addition, house includes a 6-person hot tub & brand new deck. House is located in Southampton Twp. in Shippensburg on 2.65-acre country lot. Minutes from Exit 24 of I-81. Property also includes 3-car garage w/ BA, A/C, wood stove, oil heat & large storage room w/ large metal shelves. No real estate agents, please, \$325,000. Serious buyers call 717/816-3748 & ask for Bill or email c_cardwell@earthlink.net

Stone Creek Ridge, Huntingdon Co. - 14' x 60' mobile home w/ 2 rooms added. 3 BR, 1 BA, oil heat, central air, septic & well. 2 sheds on 2.5 acres, \$45,000. Call 717/225-3062.

Hollidaysburg School District, Reservoir Rd., Blair Twp - 3 BR brick ranch home on .63 acre. Full basement, partially finished. All appliances included. 1-car garage/shed, above-ground pool, alarm system, underground dog fence, fenced-in area for kids, well/septic, \$149,000. 814/696-2752. Leave message.

8.44 acres, 4 miles from Lake Raystown Resort just off Rt. 994. All wooded, \$56,000. 814/658-2511.

4-8 acres in Blair Co., Juniata Twp., Lilly Rd., Duncansville - Close to game lands, wooded, very scenic, \$7,000 per acre. All rights included. 814/696-9006.

Lewistown - Very large building, exc. cond. Hard top for lots of parking. Good traffic flow, \$190,000. Will finance. 717/734-3275.

Juniata Co. - 2-story chicken house. 44' x 400' on 12.62 acres. Storage shed, slate around building, good shape. Could put house or trailer there, \$245,000. Will finance. 717/734-3275.

Beautiful, cleared 1-acre lot near Diamond Valley. Nice to build on or for cabin for hunting on state game lands. 814/644-3298.

Free

Two female tiger cats to a good home only. Must go together since they are best friends. Both cats are fixed, declawed & up to date on all shots. I have two litter pans & several boxes of scoopable litter & cat food. One cat likes dogs & the other cat doesn't. 814/448-2054.

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1950 Chevy Coupe Streetrod - 350 engine, A/C, power steering & auto. transmission. If interested, call 814/695-0546 & leave message.

1998 Ford Contour - 85,000 miles, \$600 firm. 1998 Honda Civic - Fair cond., \$1,500 OBO. 814/447-3630 or email galleriesofwood@innernet.net

2001 Chevy Tracker - 6-cylinder, auto., 4 x 4. Very nice cond., runs great. 171,000 miles, \$4,295. 814/696-9006.

1949 Ford F-100 custom truck - Turn-key ready for fun. Alum. wheels, 9" Ford rear end, custom front, bumper racing seat, power windows, rebuilt 350 small block, 4 barrel w/ headers and dual exhaust, rebuilt 350 turbo floor shift. Inspected, new paint in 2007, bed cover, \$9,500 OBO. 717/734-3275.

Recreational

14' Starcraft Semi-V - 5 hp Sears & Roebuck gas motor, 32-lb. trolling motor, new oars, \$750. 814/946-3879 after 6 p.m.

2009 Yamaha TTR125E - Elec. start, great beginner bike, bought new in June 2010, \$1,500. Kids motorcycle/ATV gear. Size 8 jersey, pants, gloves, Size 3 boots, \$50. 814/667-3519.

3 hp Johnson outboard motor - Lower unit folds & all fits in a carrying case, \$300 OBO. 814/599-1436.

2006 Cedar Creek 35' 5th wheel - Great for full-timers or snowbirds. 2 slides w/ toppers, separate valves for slides, Thermopane windows, surround sound w/ DVD player/radio, oak table w/ extensions & chairs, extra counter extender, 21' awning,

MorRyde hitch, other extras & upgrades, \$28,000. 814/944-0479 or 330-0709.

12' Jon boat - 17-lb. Minn Kota trolling motor, 12 volt. 814/667-3587.

Vacation Rentals

South Myrtle Beach year-round vacation rental - 2 BR, 2 BA condo at oceanfront resort. Fully furnished including linens, towels, cable w/ HBO, wireless internet, A/C, 6 pools including a lazy river, lighted tennis courts, saunas, jacuzzis & more, \$400-\$950 weekly. Monthly rates available. Call 717/263-2717.

Spacious house rental at Lake Raystown - Cozy for 2 but can sleep 11. Large great room w/ fireplace, 4 BR, dining table for 12, 2 dish TVs, 2 full and 2 half baths, linens provided, large recreation room, fully equipped kitchen & laundry rooms, screened-in porch. Half mile from lake, boat parking. PSU football weekend or anytime. 35 min. from Beaver Stadium. Think Thanksgiving/Christmas family reunion. \$220/night, minimum 2 nights. Visit www.laurelwoodsretreat.com or call 814/931-6562.

Blue Knob Resort condo - 2 BR, 2 BA, full kitchen w/ pots, plates, utensils, etc. Includes dishwasher, fireplace & sleeper sofa. Resort has hot tubs, sauna, indoor & outdoor pools, bike trails, golfing, tennis courts, etc. Call 814/943-1284 or visit our website at blueknoblodging.com

Cozy vacation home for rent at Lake Raystown - 4 BR, 2 BA, sleeps 10 comfortably. Fully equipped kitchen, game/family room, dish TV, laundry & large wrap-around deck for scenic view of the bordering Trough Creek State Forest. See www.joydaniels.com (rental properties tab) or call 717/695-3177.

Wanted

Live hornet nests - Will remove for free if they have not been sprayed. Insects will be used for potentially life-saving allergy shots. Call 814/667-2136 & leave message.

Tools/Equipment

Homelite 8 hp 440-watt generator on wheels - Used very little, \$400. Call 814/447-3294. If no answer, leave message. All calls will be returned.

John Deere 272 grooming mower - 3-pt. hitch, exc. cond., \$1,700. John Deere snow thrower. - Good cond., \$350. 814/643-0820.

Panner Penna. mower. 814/667-3587.

3-pt. hitch 2-14" trip back plow, \$450. 3-pt. hitch cut-off saw, belt-driven, \$40. Cut-off saw blade, \$50. Call 717/987-3619 after 6 p.m.

3-pt. hitch backhoe. 814/447-3735.

2 silage wagons. 814/447-3735.

1996 80 hp Bobcat skidloader, \$9,500. 25" Woodmaster planer/molder/sander, \$2,700. 814/447-3630 or email gallerlyofwood@innernet.net

New Holland silo blower. 814/447-3735.

Miscellaneous

New Holland 28" plastic hay bale wrap. 814/447-3735.

1 Home Comfort wood/coal cookstove; 1 Kalamazoo wood/coal cookstove, \$300 for both. 814/627-4628.

Milk can, milk can stirrer, DeLaval milk pail. All 3 for \$50. Call evenings after 9 p.m. 814/667-2039.

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Cast iron Caboose stove - Ready-to-use. Contact Rick between 8 a.m. & 8 p.m. 814/832-2701.

Kiln-dried red oak & ash - \$2.50/ board ft. Walnut, \$3.25/ board foot. Solid oak entertainment center/cabinet, \$100. 814/667-3519.

ProForm Crosswalk treadmill - Dual motion, cross trainer, adjustable incline, accu-smart console (speed control, distance, calorie, pulse rate, etc.), \$150. 814/643-3395.

Two heavy-duty upholstery sewing machines w/ sewing tables. Pfaff model & Chandler DY337. Good cond., \$350 each. For more information, call 814/935-3678.

Toy Box - 15" x 15" x 30", \$45. Approx. 1938 Sears Silvertone battery-operated cabinet radio, \$85. 814/658-3557.

CB radio base set, \$50. 814/599-1436.

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