

# Even A Rock From The Moon!

## 4-H Fair Provides Something For All

Corn and beans and squash. Cattle and sheep and goats. Dresses and suits and cakes and cookies. Photos and butterflies and ceramics.

And a moon rock.

That's just a tiny sampling of the interesting things on view for anyone who visits the 24th annual Wayne County 4-H Fair that will continue through Sunday at the county fairgrounds on Quirk Road in Belleville.

The farm, home and hobby projects represent the efforts of some 1,500 busy youngsters who belong to more than a hundred 4-H clubs in Wayne County.

The moon rocks come courtesy of the National Aeronautics Space Administration and through the efforts of Fair Board member James Tiltotson of Romulus and the Republican organization in Michigan's 15th Congressional district.

EQUALLY PRECIOUS to their owners are the more than 3,000 entries in dozens of categories to be found on display throughout the fair.

Most have worked all year on their assorted projects.

"This is the payoff," said fair board president Robert Hayward of Belleville.

It's a payoff in a literal sense, since every 4-H member who enters receives some sort of cash premium. These range from \$1.50 to about \$12 for the prize winners.

Every entry also gets a ribbon. There are blue ribbons that say "Very Good," red ones inscribed "Good," and white ones for "Fair."

They are awarded by judges on a curve system of about 30% blues, 50% reds and 20% whites, said Mrs. Janet Magraw, chairman of the exhibits hall.

In the huge exhibit hall, being used for home and farm displays for the first time this year, the largest-ever display of entries can be found.

Besides the many sewing, knitting, baking and canning projects and the many varieties of farm and garden produce, the youngsters have entered such projects as a live bee-hive, a

chess set made of painted nail-heads, notebooks on animal care, conservation projects, and art work such as felt-tip drawings and paintings.

THIS YEAR'S FAIR reflects the changing character of Wayne County as its farm lands get smaller and smaller.

"We used to have 50 to 100 head of cattle and two barns full," Hayward said. "Now there are very few people who raise cattle, and we're down to 15 head."

"But the entrants have started bringing goats in the last few years. Raising a goat makes a good project for a youngster with just a big yard."

Hayward also pointed out that the number of home arts and hobby entries has been getting steadily larger. The number of horse clubs is up too, he said.

Events still to come include the 4-H awards program at 5:30 p.m. Saturday and horse shows all day Sunday. The final day's program also includes a chicken bar-b-que at 12 noon and a water fight between several fire departments at 2 p.m.



TRACTOR CHAMP - Westland's Alan Taylor was tops in tractor pulling for the 801 - 1,200 pound division. He's shown here with his blue ribbon and manual.



PALS - Bill McDougall of Plymouth talks to one of his French Alpine Goats.



COMB-OUT - Keith Sprengel, 14, of Plymouth, uses a wire brush to comb the thick wool of his black and white Suffolk sheep to prepare them for judging.



FRUITS OF THE SOIL - Danny Cash of Plymouth looks over some of the produce entered by young farmers.



HOME ARTS - Terese Kulick of Plymouth shows off two appropriate types of dress for the 4-H fair. Wearing the club emblem on her tee-shirt, she holds up the dress and jacket ensemble she entered in the sewing competition. Behind her are rows and cases of sewing and cooking projects.



SOFTIE - Fifteen-year-old Mary Johnson of Plymouth entered a Champagne rabbit.

TERRARIUM - This house for a gnome was entered by Sue Ann Horvath of Livonia. That's Colton Lawton of Plymouth looking at it.

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FRIDAY & SATURDAY 5-8 P.M.  
AUGUST 28 & 29

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