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## Local woman wins at international exposition

VENEDOCIA — Leah Kay Morris, daughter of David and Diane Morris of Venedocia, won the International Ladies Lead at the North. American International Livestock Exposition held in Louisville, Ky.

Morris participated against 33 young women in Class 4 for ages 17-21. She led a yearling ewe owned by M & T Farm (Jim and Linda Wilson).

Leah's sister Marie was in Class 3 for ages 14-16 and placed ninth out of 37 contestants.

"We are so proud of Leah and Marie," said Linda Wilson. "It makes our show at the Van Wert County Fair real special because it means we are doing something right to take girls on to an international level and win."

## VW COUNTY CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

The Van Wert County Church Women United presented recently the World Community Day worship service entitled, "The Word Within Our Neighborhoods" in the Wesley United Methodist Church social room.

The worship center featured a large world globe, surrounded by red, yellow, black and white steamers and candles.

Sammy Tindall served as pianist and Mary Sheets led the singing. Leila Mouser Sunday read several scriptures from the Bible.

Leaders dressed appropriately for their area of the world were Marvel Lloyd, Ruth Durprey, Irene Gehres, Betty Bolton and Marian Morris.

Reflectors were Ann Sidle and Rosie McClure. Taking children's parts were Glendine VanLandingham, Wanda Grant, Florence Short, Mary Hargesheimer and Phyllis Young.

Nancy Crawford presided over a short business meeting. Members were asked to secure donations of pie from the various churches for the Habitat for Humanity dinner at Vantage Vocational School on Sunday.

Passing the peace and communion was observed near the end of the program.

The December meeting will be held Friday, Dec. 4, with a luncheon at the Golden Corral at 11:30 followed by a 1 p.m. musical presentation by Joanne Koche and Joan Unterbrink.

## Venedocia Lions gather

VENEDOCIA — The Venedocia Lions Club meeting was called to order by Lion President Hugh Pugh with 26 members present.

Membership chairman Orville Snodgrass reported that as of Nov. 23, membership stood at 82.5 percent paid-up members.

The Thanksgiving turkey raffle resulted in 29 turkeys being won, according to Lion Sam Simindinger. He was given a turkey for selling the most tickets.

Lion Charles Good gave a speech on solar electricity and explained the different ways of harnessing solar energy. Good has one room in his house operated on solar energy and runs his laptop computer, 13-inch TV and the lights from the sun catchers located on the south roof of this house.

Doug Ruen told the club that the town has yet to name the street that runs in front of the clubhouse.

The Christmas baskets for the needy were discussed again and some previous recipients who have jobs this year were replaced with others who do not.

Gregg Giessler and Jerry Koenig put the sausage trailers away for the winter. The trailer committee

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washed down both trailers inside

Ladies night will be Feb. 8 with the place to be announced at the Dec. 14 meeting. Van Wert County Sheriff Stan Owens will be the speaker. One of the questions to be posed to the sheriff is who should the club address to get the railroad crossings fixed on the old Clover Leaf Railroad that ran through the town and has since been aban-

doned?

As a community service, the club gave the county election board permission to use the Lions building as a voting place for Jennings Township voters.

A discussion was held over to the next meeting about purchasing jackets and aprons with a Lions logo on them.

The evening's dinner was prepared and served by the Salem Presbyterian Women's Association.