

Kathy Bicksler Crowned State Poultry Princess



Pretty and vivacious, Kathy Elaine Bicksler, was crowned as the 1974-75 Pennsylvania Poultry Queen at the state's annual pageant held at the Hershey Motor Lodge on November 1st.

Kathy, who represented Lebanon County, was selected from three other contestants to serve as a spokesperson and liaison for the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation throughout the coming year.

Kathy has learned about the poultry industry in Pennsylvania first hand by working summers and on vacations at the College Hill Poultry Company near Fredericksburg.

As a sophomore at the Schuylkill Campus of the Pennsylvania State University, Kathy has been active in the Cultural Affairs Committee, the Keystone Honor Society and as a dormitory counselor. While in high school she was a member of the district band and participated in the Ecology Club and the Student Action for Education. Kathy has also taken an interest in the youth work of her church serving

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Vernon Leninger, President of the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation presented Kathy Early, the 1973-74

State Poultry Queen with a portrait in appreciation of her work during the past year.

on the Christian Endeavor and in the youth choir.

Kathy's father is employed as a truck driver for the College Hill Poultry Company and the family lives near Fredericksburg.

Kathy related that she was asked to try out for the Lebanon County Poultry Queen Contest by a friend and did not expect it to go further than that.

"I'm really excited about being chosen to represent the

industry," she explained after being selected.

"I hope I can tell others about poultry and its importance in Pennsylvania."

First runner-up in the pageant was Jo Ann Kinkel representing York County. She is a student at Susquehanna University enrolled in the psychology major.

Other contestants vying for the title were Michele Melhorn of Lancaster County and Jane Waybright of Adams County.

Chairman for the evening's activities was

John D. Hoffman, president of the Pennsylvania Poultry Federation, with special talks being given by Vernon Leininger and Kathy Early the 1974 Poultry Queen.

Judges for the event were Carl Grubic, Vice President of Commonwealth National Bank; Melissa Piper, Associate Editor with Lancaster Farming and Roger Conner, Public Relation Director with Hershey Estates.

Martin Named Extension Specialist

Kenneth M. Martin has been temporarily appointed to The Pennsylvania State University's Cooperative Extension Service staff as a community development specialist and instructor in rural sociology, effective November 1.

Dr. Thomas B. King, Penn State associate dean for extension, pointed out that Martin will conduct educational programs under Title V of the Rural Development Act of 1972 in Indiana, Armstrong, and Butler counties. His office is located in the Indiana County Cooperative Extension Service Office, Courthouse, Indiana.

"Title V of the Rural Development Act provides monies for educational activities to supplement local citizen efforts to identify rural and community development priorities," Dr. King said. "It also is designed to provide the framework to develop consensus and implement action."

A native of Lancaster County, Martin earned two degrees from Penn State; a bachelor of science in agricultural economics in 1971 and master of science in rural sociology in 1973. He is currently working on a doctor of philosophy degree at Penn State.

Prior to being named Extension community development specialist, he was employed as a farmer and auctioneer; a community development

volunteer in Honduras; and a graduate research assistant at Penn State.

Martin is a member of numerous societies and fraternities including Alpha Kappa Delta, Gamma Sigma

Delta, Alpha Zeta, American Sociological Association, Rural Sociological Society, and Community Development Society.

He is married to the former Yvonne E. Martin, daughter of the Reverend and Mrs. Nelson L. Martin, of RD4, Greencastle. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron H. Martin, reside at RD1, Denver.

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