

# Mt. Joy 4-H Teen Leader

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When asked how she got interested in raising animals, Marcia smiled and nodded toward the barn.

"My father raises steers so I really got into it naturally."

"Actually though, I do like sheep better as they are easier for me to handle."

During the 4-H season, Marcia puts much time into working with her animals and explained that she even

conditions her sheep by exercising them daily.

Much of Marcia's work has been with the Mt. Joy Community Club where she has been in the cooking, sewing and cake decorating divisions. She has served as president of the cake decorating club, secretary and president of the sewing group and secretary of the cooking club.

Sewing has been one of Marcia's favorite projects and the young lady has put her skills to use by making several attractive outfits

that range from informal pants suits to long evening gowns.

Marcia has participated in the local dress revues and last summer served as the emcee for the Mt. Joy sewing club's fashion review.

Her sewing must also come naturally since her mother has been a leader of the Mt. Joy sewing club for some years.

One project which has been of particular interest to Marcia has been cake decorating. The Mt. Joy cake decorating club was headed

by Mrs. Roy Sauder who taught the art to several 4-Hers for the second year this past summer.

Marcia commented that she really enjoyed the novel 4-H project and often tries her own creations at home. In fact during our visit, Marcia gave this reporter a sneak preview of a lavishly decorated cake complete with roses.

The cake decorating club of Mt. Joy has planned a booth exhibit on the subject, for the 4-H Expo to be held next week at Park City and Marcia has planned to decorate a wedding cake for the display.

As a 4-H teen leader, Marcia has attended teen conferences at Dublin Gap and at Penn State and has participated in many county 4-H functions.

Marcia is a busy young lady who also gives her time

to presiding over the church youth group at the Hempfield Church of the Brethren. She is also a member of the Medical Careers Club at her high school and has interest in being a registered nurse.

"I want to be a nurse and would like to specialize in pediatrics," she explained. "I enjoy working with children."

Although her future plans are not definite yet, Marcia still plans to continue her 4-H work.

"I've learned so much through 4-H and have met so many people," she stated.

"4-H projects take a lot of work but the activities are worth all the effort."

It won't be long until Marcia's 4-H work will begin all over again for with spring will come steers to feed and groom, sewing creations to be made and more cakes to be decorated.

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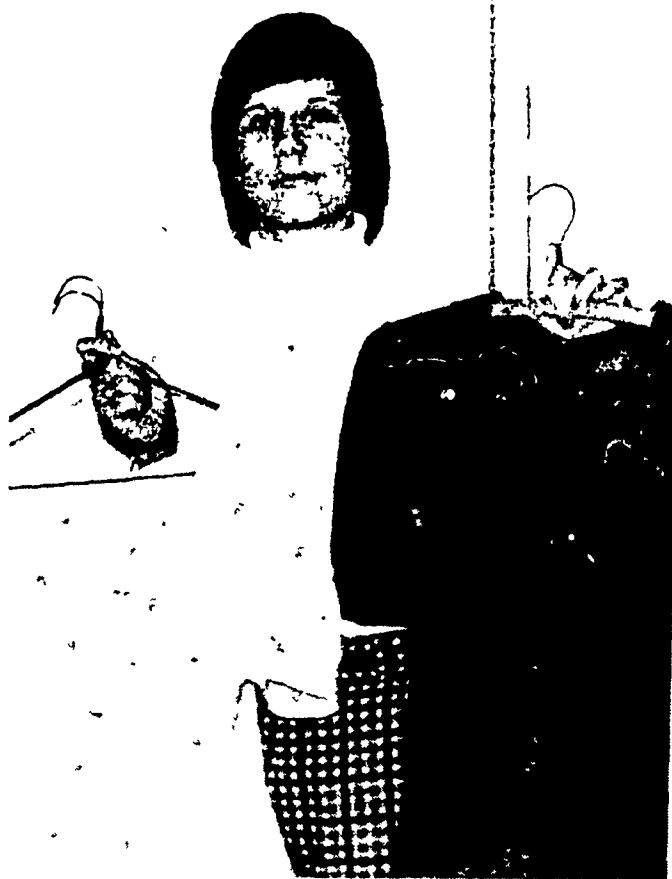


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Sewing is a favorite 4-H project of Marcia's. The Manheim sophomore poses with two of her favorite creations, a long gown and a pants suit.

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