

# Pork Queen chosen by Berks producers

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KUTZTOWN - The Berks-Lehigh County Pork Producers held their annual banquet on March 5 at the Grange Hall here. In addition to giving association members and their families an opportunity to get together socially for an evening of fine food and dancing, Friday's banquet was also the occasion for the final selection of the 1976 Berks-Lehigh County Pork Producers Queen. Contestant's for the title this year were Joan Dietrich, a tenth grade student at Kutztown Area High School who is also enrolled in the Food Preparation Program at Berks County Vo-Tech School, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Dietrich of Lenhartsville R1, and Ardeth Wetzel, an 11th grade student at Northwestern High School enrolled in the Vo-Ag Program at Lehigh Vo-Tech School, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Wetzel of Kempton R2.

Following the final phase of the contest, the personal interview conducted Friday evening by Donald Reinert, an agricultural instructor at Kutztown Area High School, Miss Dietrich was announced to be the winner of this year's contest and Miss Wetzel the first runner-up. Each girl had submitted an application and an original pork recipe prior to the banquet. The girl's dishes in the order in which they were rated by the judges are:

#### Creamy Mushroomed Pork Chops

- 4 pork chops, 1/2 to 1 inch thick
- seasoned flour for dusting
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 pound fresh mushrooms
- 2 tablespoons finely chopped onions
- 1 cup sour cream
- 1 cup chicken bouillon
- 3 dashes white pepper
- 2 cups cooked noodles
- 1/4 cup shredded cheese

Preheat oven 350 degrees. Dust chops and brown. Slice mushrooms and saute them quickly in butter with onions. Stir flour into sour cream. Stir and heat just to boiling. Slowly stir in bouillon. Heat to boiling.

Joan Dietrich

#### Mock Chicken Scallop

- 1 pound lean pork

- 1 eight-ounce package noodles
- 2 cups milk
- 3 slightly beaten eggs
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup corn flakes
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine

Cook meat slowly in hot water to cover until tender; cut into small pieces. Cook noodles in meat stock, adding more water if necessary. Combine meat, noodles, milk, eggs and salt; pour into greased two-quart casserole dish. Bake in pan of hot water in moderate oven (350 degrees) until set, about 1 hour. Cover with buttered corn flakes last 15 minutes.

Ardeth Wetzel

The girls were presented with gift certificates from the Association, Joan's in amount of \$30.00 and Ardeth's \$20.00, for the Diana Shop, Crest Plaza, \$10.00 of which was donated by the Diana Shop. Each girl was also presented with a jewelry box from the Association and a charm bracelet courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Oswald of Slatington. Mrs. Catherine Rabenold, Kutztown R2, Mrs. Winifred Oswald, Slatington R2, and Donald Reinert, Lenhartsville R1 were judges for the contest, and Donna Lazarus of Whitehall, last year's Pork Producers Queen, crowned the new Queen.

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As the 1976 Berks-Lehigh County Pork Producers Queen, Joan will represent the association at pork sales and local and county fairs in the coming year. Since Pennsylvania is one of the few states in the Country which does not have a State Pork Producers Queen, the Berks-Lehigh County Association hopes to have Joan represent the Pork Producers at the Farm Show in Harrisburg next January.

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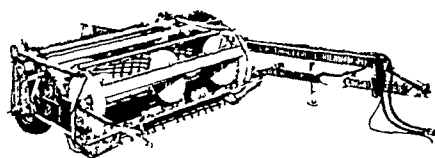
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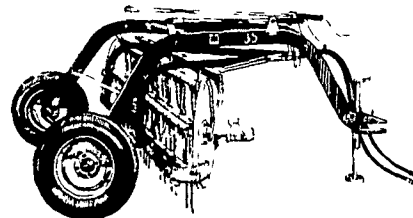
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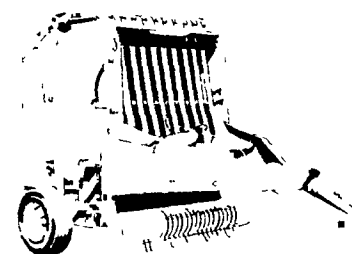
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