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Wins National Guernsey Queen Title

Millie Linde starts her reign

BY PAT KAUFFMAN
OXFORD — Millie Linde, Oxford, was crowned Sunday as the 1980 National Guernsey Queen.

South of Union in a valley reminiscent of her German ancestry, is the beloved Lindenhof Guernsey Farm, the new 1980 National Guernsey Queen calls home.

In Millie the Guernsey Breed has found a staunch supporter.

Millie had just returned from her big day in Rochester, Minnesota, and little yawns crept into her conversation. But weary as she was, her excitement over her new role, and her enthusiasm for her chosen breed was evident.

Millie was selected from a field of 14 contestants during the 103rd annual meeting of the American Guernsey Cattle Club.

For the past year, she reigned as the Pennsylvania Guernsey Queen. Although the last year has been a busy one for Millie who logged 30 events in her official capacity, the year to come will be even busier.

Already on her calendar are trips to Penn State in June to crown her PA successor; to Madison, Wisconsin, and the Dairy Expo in October; to New York for a field day in July; to the Eastern Shores Show in Springfield, Massachusetts; to a Virginia field day, July 9; and to next year's pageant in San Francisco.

While her love for the breed may have been

inherited from her folks, Millie has cultured that love through her involvement in the home dairy operation and her studies in dairy science at the State University of New York at Cobleskill.

Millie's reasons for choosing this particular junior college become clear when she mentions they have a school herd of Guernseys.

Millie is 21, has three brothers, and is listed in Who's Who in American Junior Colleges. She was a member of the FFA during her senior year of high school, and vice-president of the livestock club, a member of the honor society and Collegiate Agriculture Leaders while at college.

Her participation in the contests was a result of an ad she saw in the Guernsey

Journal for Pennsylvania participants last spring.

At the state contest last June, Millie emerged victorious and after a year of serving at fairs, shows and banquets, she traveled to Rochester leaving last Thursday for a long weekend of events. Her activities started with makeup and fashion advice from a beauty consultant. Then on Friday

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Lindenhof Flash Dividend Elite gets some loving attention from the new National Guernsey Queen.

Inter-State producers grumble over late milk checks

BY CURT HARLER

LANCASTER — Lancaster County members of Inter-State Milk Producers Cooperative tied up telephone lines across the county when milk checks did not hit the mailboxes as scheduled on Tuesday.

The problem was not with the Co-op's home office in Southampton. Rather, the delay was due to problems in the postal system.

By week's end, it appeared, all Inter-State shippers had received their full checks.

Only Inter-State shippers in areas with ZIP-codes beginning with 175 or 176 were affected. A spot check of producers in other ZIP-code areas showed delivery of the milk checks as expected on May 20.

Inter-State executives pointed out Thursday that the Co-op periodically has experienced problems with

late checks in the Lancaster area over the past two years.

The latest trouble delayed delivery of checks to over 700 producers. In this time of tight cash flow, producers who did not find checks in the mailbox on May 20 immediately called neighbors who also were emptyhanded.

District Director Daniel Martin was flooded with calls on Wednesday when checks still did not arrive.

Inter-State said the checks were "caught in a postal cobweb."

The checks, the Co-op says, were mailed as usual in Southampton in special bags. They were picked up by the Southampton post office. From there they go to King of Prussia to be moved on to Lancaster.

Here, the Lancaster Post Office says, could be one spot which caused trouble.

If the mail bags were routed into Philadelphia, as

much as two days could have been lost.

But Inter-State maintains that a "dock transfer" (where the mail is not sorted, just routed along) was made at the King of Prussia Post Office and the bags arrived in a timely fashion at Lancaster where they sat on the dock.

There is some question as to whether the bags were

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Airport zoning still up in air

BY SHEILA MILLER

CAMPBELLTOWN — About a half dozen South Londonderry Township, Lebanon County farmers huddled in a small circle outside the doors of the township's municipal building late Wednesday evening.

They were rehashing the two and a half hour meeting they had just sat through

with the Zoning Board and around 40 other township residents and interested people.

The farmers left the municipal building feeling frustrated. The local officials reached no decision on a case the farmers felt important — so important, they left their tractors idle to sit in a stuffy meeting room.

The meeting was called to once again review the pros and cons of a petition filed by Charles and Ada Reigle to revise the zoning regulations concerning their privately owned commercial airport.

On April 2 of this year, the same issue came before the local board of supervisors who tabled their decision until they received the

recommendations of their local planning commission on the case.

Testimony at this past Wednesday's meeting was in the same vein as the April testimony. The airport owners presented their reasons for wanting the zoning changed, and local farmers voiced their opposition.

Standing before the group, Ada Reigle calmly presented a prepared statement, reviewing how the township neglected to zone their airport AP-1 in 1975, as the 1972 state law required. The airport is presently zoned R-1, low residential.

She explained how they had been advised by the

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June is dairy month

LITITZ — Again this year Lancaster Farming will celebrate June Dairy Month with the broadest and most complete dairy coverage in the East.

We extend a special invitation to dairy groups, DHAs, and other producer organizations, to submit dairy news for our June issue.

We'll feature a month-long series of dairy recipes in Home on the Range in Section C. It's certain to be the state's largest and most fantastic collection of tasty dairy treats.

We'll have a special dairy month gift as a token of our appreciation for those who submit recipes used.

To be sure your group, firm, or club activities are included in our June 7 Dairy Month special, please submit all news by June 3.

Paid advertising material is due Friday, May 30.

Call us at 717/394-3047 or 717/626-1164. Or, write Lancaster Farming, Box 366, Lititz PA 17543 and join in a milk toast to the state's largest and most dynamic industry: dairying.

Milk marketing machinery in motion

BY DICK ANGLESTEIN
HARRISBURG —

Machinery is already in motion that could lead to a referendum before year's end for a statewide mandatory milk marketing program.

The first step now underway in the lengthy process that could result in the referendum, according to James Sumner, director of the Bureau of Markets, Pennsylvania Department of

Agriculture, is the holding of separate meetings with individual dairy cooperatives to get opinions on the referendum proposal.

The co-op sessions are part of a 30-day period being utilized to collect opinions and comments from dairymen and dairy organizations on provisions they favor in any marketing program.

These opinions are expected to be received until

about mid-June.

After the various opinions and comments are collected and analyzed, plans will move ahead with the scheduling of an industry-wide meeting to begin preliminary consideration of a program.

This session may either be a single large central meeting or several regional meetings held in different parts of the state.

Target date for the industry meeting is sometime in July.

The next step in the process would be the formation of an advisory council of dairy industry representatives to develop a specific proposal for the use of funds collected from milk producers under the marketing program.

Following the scheduling of hearings to gather additional testimony on any changes or revisions in the

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