Six vie for poultry crown

LANCASTER — Six Lancaster County young women have been chosen as candidates for the Lancaster County Poultry Queen Contest to be held Friday, August 7, at the Farm and Home Center.

Debra Ann Engle, a 1979 graduate of Elizabethtown Area High school, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob W. Engle R1, Marietta.

Debra's high school activities included business club, powder puff football, and intramurals. She was presented outstanding awards in bookkeeping and spelling. Deb was the Business Student of the

Presently Debra is working as a





bookkeeper for Fischer Ag Services, a division of Wenger's Feed Mill Deb's escort will be Greg Goodling.

Kim Erway is the daughter of Jess R. and Patricia Erway, Lititz.

Kim will be a senior at Warwick High School where she is an Honor Student. Kim was named "Who's Who in Music" her Junior Year, and is active in Glee Club, Show Choir, and in High School Musicals in which she had a lead this year in "Camelot".

In addition to all her school activities, Kim finds time to help her father in business for the past three years caging birds, old fowl and pullets, and now works part time in the office (Erway's Poultry service) as well as in the field when needed.

Kim is planning a college career probably at Clarion State. Her escort will be Barry Geib.

LaVon Jane Fuhrman, a 1980 graduate of Elizabethtown Area High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fuhrman, Bainbridge.

LaVon is presently employed as a secretary at Wengers Feed Mill. While attending school, LaVon was active in the Student Council, Business Club, marching and concert bands, softball and field hockey teams.

She will be escorted by Scott Flowers.

Donna Rene' Hess is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William M. Hess, R1, Manheim.

Donna will be a junior at Manheim Central High School in September.

In addition to her interests of violin, piano, painting and sculpture, Donna helps her family take care of 84,000 pullets.

Donna is planning a college career, hopefully the University of Delaware. Her escort will be Brian Stoltzfus.

Jeann Louise Kready, an 1981



Joann Kready



Donna Hess



Kim Erway



Connie Wiegand

graduate of Manheim Central High School, is the daughter of Mr. and Martin Kready, R6, Manheim, and is employed by the Pleasant View Rest Home as a nurses aide.

While attending school, Joann was active in FHA, pep club, and powder puff football.

Joann also helps her family pack eggs in their 70,000 laying hen house. Joann's escort will be Glenn Shenk.

Connie Eileen Wiegand is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wiegand, Lititz. She is a 1981 graduate of Manheim Central High School and was enrolled in the diversified occupations program.

Connie plans to further her education by attending the Heritage School of Communications and Evangelism in South Carolina next year. She is presently working at Plain and Fancy Egg Ranch, Inc.

In addition to enjoying hiking, swimming, singing and listening to records, Connie also has worked on stage shows at the Sight and Sound Auditorium. Connie's escort will be Rod Gordon.

New farming methods aid wildlife

Dauphin County who have adopted conservation tillage to save time and fuel are actually helping wildlife, according to a local conservationist.

"Wildlife will benefit from conservation tillage methods being used more widely on county farmland," reports Joel Myers, District Conservationist with the USDA, Soil Conservation Services. "Previously, the land was plowed, which turned the soil upside down, placing the grass, straw or cornstalks underground. In this new

HARRISBURG - Farmers in method, the soil and surface cover are left in place."

In chisel plowing, the topsoil is loosened, but left in place. In no-till farming, the seed is placed in a slot made in the residue or sod.

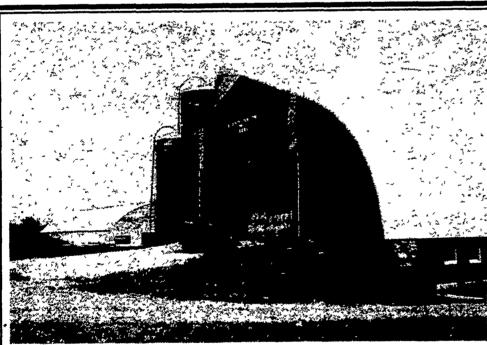
The crop residues are left on the surface. This provides protection against soil erosion. It also leaves the material where it can provide cover and food for wildlife.

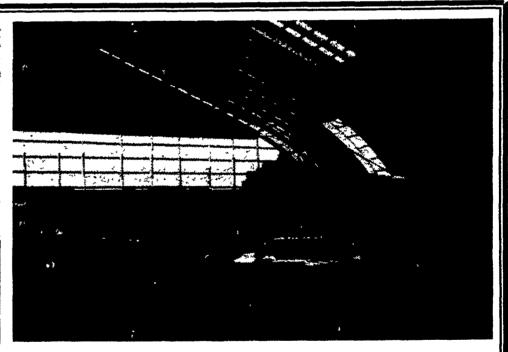
Sportsmen have blamed the large barren, plowed fields as a reason for declining wildlife populations. Conservationists have pointed to the excessive soil erosion from the same conditions, notes Myers.

According to Myers, approximately 35,000 acres are farmed using one of the various conservation tillage methods for growing their farm crops. The reasons differ, but this practice should have the support of farmers, as well as sportsmen and conservationists, concludes Myers.

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