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Voss takes top honors at Del. Holstein Show

BY TRISH WILLIAMS
HARRINGTON, DE — There were a record number of entries Thursday at the Fourth Annual Delaware Holstein Show, according to show manager Char-mayne Busker. Participation in the show has continued to grow since its creation four years ago to replace the three separate county shows.

Showmen were hustling around at the show taking care of the last minute details before entering the ring, and loading up the show box and cattle soon after the class was finished to head home. Waiting at home for most of them was hay and straw to bale, and the threat of a thunderstorm. Yet all the

Colored Breed Association organizes in Crawford

BY NANCY KUNICK
Staff Correspondent
MEADVILLE — Colored breed exhibitors of the Crawford County Fair are banded together into a new organization — the Northwest Pennsylvania Colored Breed Association.

The Northwest Pa. Colored Breed Association will consist of, but will not be limited to, exhibitors of colored breed dairy cattle at the Crawford County Fair. The new association intends

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Contest winners picked

Carolyn Witmer heads Pa. FFA

BY DICK ANGLESTEIN
UNIVERSITY PARK — Perhaps, it could have been considered an omen at the 55th annual State FFA Activities Week gathering on the Penn State campus.

And, it was an omen with special meaning.

When the opening general session was held Tuesday night in the spacious Eisenhower Auditorium, the more than 1500 FFA members from throughout the state were greeted by Ms. Jan Eberly, blue and gold jacketed young lady who is in the midst of her reign as National President of the Future Farmers of America.

And when, the Activities Week closed on Thursday morning on the same stage, a Lancaster County young lady stood before an audience of some 1800 fellow FFA'ers, advisors and guests as the new president of the Pennsylvania Future Farmers of America Association.

Carolyn Witmer, 17, daughter of Earl and Ruth Witmer, R2 East Earl, thus became the first female FFA'er to head the Pennsylvania Association — one of the leading segments of the nationwide ag youth organization.

But there was even more special meaning to the achievement.

Last year, Witmer served as president of the Grassland Chapter and as such was the leader of the parliamentary procedure team that went on to become state champions. She was among the chief rooters this year as the Grassland team attempted to repeat its honor.

After successfully moving through the county and area competitions, the Grassland PP team suffered a tragic loss when one of its members was killed in an

auto accident. The team was eliminated in the regionals and never went to the state competition.

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This week's

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SWAP SHOP — Business was brisk at this week's Lancaster Farming Dairy Product Promotion Swap Shop.

First, one of the leading silo manufacturers has adopted the idea of putting Real Seals on what we called those "big blue billboards." Further information can be found on Pages A10 and 12.

A well-known Maryland dairy family tells how it promotes milk and the Real Seal among the many visitors to the farm. Their story can be found on the same pages.

And, a farm wife wants to get tough in the competitive battle with soft drinks. Her controversial suggestion was received in the Swap Shop, too.

And, finally there's some unreal "real" money in today's issue to possibly help dairy families get across the importance of their REAL products. For these latter two Swap Shop items, also turn to Pages A10 and 12.

The doors of the Swap Shop are still open and will remain so as long as promotional ideas come in. So, send them in and we'll pass them along.



Holly Webb, Delaware Dairy Princess, and Judge Marion Andrew pose with Norman Voss, Jr. exhibitor of the Grand Champion of the Delaware Holstein Show.