

Five to compete for Lancaster Poultry Queen title



Constance Martin

LANCASTER — Five young ladies will compete for the title of Lancaster County Poultry Queen at the annual contest on Aug. 2 at Lancaster Farm and Home Center, beginning at 6:15 p.m.

The winner will be crowned by Gwen (Yoder) Snader, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Yoder, Christiana, reigning Lancaster County poultry queen, and Jackie King, reigning state poultry queen from Adams County. The poultry queen represents the Lancaster County poultry industry, promoting its products and educating the public during her reign. This year the Lancaster poultry queen will also represent

the state as state poultry queen.

Contestants include:

- Suzanne Groff, 20, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Groff, Manheim. She is a 1982 graduate of Manheim Central High School. She lives on a farm which has a breeder flock of 10,000 chickens, and is secretary at R.W. Sauder egg processing plant in Lititz.

- Linda Kready, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Kready, Manheim. A graduate of Manheim Central High School class of 1985, she lives on a farm of 70,000 layers. She works at Country Table, Mount Joy, as a waitress.

- Constance Martin, 20, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Martin,

Elizabethtown, a 1983 graduate of Elizabethtown High School and Mt. Joy Vo-Tech (food trade). She works as cook at Quality Inn, Centerville. Her father has 98,000 broilers.

- Denise Mumma, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clay Mumma, Mt. Joy, a 1985 graduate of Donegal High School, she plans to attend Bloomsburg University, and is secretary at Loneneckers Hatchery, Mt. Joy.

- Stephanie Yost, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Yost, Creek Hill Road, Lancaster. A 1985 graduate of Conestoga Valley High School, she is employed as secretary at C.B. Hooper, In-

tercourse. Her parents have 30,900 laying hens and process their own eggs.

Winner of the contest will receive either a \$500 educational scholarship or \$300 cash, and runner-up will receive a \$300 scholarship or \$150 cash. All contestants receive a watch.

Program for the evening will be Hawaiian Music by Sandy Hershey, a native of Hawaii. She will be singing and dancing.

Chairmen for the event are Milton and Thelma Landis, R#2, Parkesburg, Pa. 19365.

For tickets contact Milton and Thelma Landis at 717-442-8750. Tickets are \$9.



Stephanie Yost



Denise Mumma



Suzanne Groff



Linda Kready

Horticulturist joins University of Delaware staff

NEWARK, Del. — Horticulturist Susan Barton has joined the University of Delaware as extension ornamental horticulturist and instructor in the plant science department.

Barton, who received her bachelor's degree in agriculture summa cum laude from Delaware, holds a masters degree in ornamental horticulture from North Carolina State University. Her undergraduate work in landscape horticulture included an in-depth study of groundcovers and woody plant identification. Her master's research was on the propagation of sourwood, an ornamental tree rapidly gaining in popularity for landscaping.

During the past year Barton served as department chairperson in horticulture business technology at Fayetteville Technical Institute, Fayetteville, N.C. In addition to teaching a variety of courses, she completed several landscaping projects on the campus.

A special interest which Barton hopes to pursue in both her ex-

tension and teaching roles is retail horticulture training. She has written a manual on garden center management for use in the teaching curriculum at North Carolina State and Delaware. She hopes to see it published and circulated among businesses as well. She points out that although horticulture students rarely receive preparation for retail work, many begin their careers in entry level positions at garden centers.

One of her first priorities as extension horticulture specialist will be to set up a master gardener program, a free course providing instruction and handouts to interested members of the community in return for their volunteer services in county extension gardening program activities.

The combined opportunities for informal teaching and consulting through extension along with the academic challenge of the university classroom drew Barton to the position at Delaware. "I'll be doing something different every day in extension work to help professionals as well as

homeowners," she says. "But I also value the opportunity to work with distinguished colleagues on the faculty of a major university."

Another of Barton's professional goals is to build an extensive slide library, which she considers invaluable for teaching and public speaking. She combines business with pleasure by photographing gardens on vacations in Europe and the United States.




Susan Barton

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