

Four to compete for Berks County dairy princess title

LEESPORT — Four contestants will compete for the title of 1986 Berks County Dairy Princess May 3 at the Berks County Agricultural Center.

The contestants are Ann Kline, Birdsboro; Carol Kurtz, Elverson; Clarinda Leatherman, Hamburg; and Diane Troutman, Myerstown.

Prior to the 7 p.m. banquet at the Ag Center, a panel of three judges will interview the contestants to test their knowledge of the dairy industry. The contestants will also present a promotional skit about milk and/or dairy products.

The contestants and their mothers were introduced to the program at an orientation luncheon held at the home of current Berks County dairy princess Tammy Moll, and at several workshops held prior to the contest. The workshops included public speaking, poise, fashion and wardrobe planning, dairy science and nutrition.

Ann Kline, the daughter of Paul and Christine Kline, is a junior at Twin Valley High School, where she is the vice president of the FFA chapter. She is also active in the school bowling team as well as marching and concert bands.

Ann spends most of her free time working on the Calvin Kurtz dairy farm at R3 Elverson in preparation for her future enrollment at Delaware Valley College of Science and Agriculture.

Carol Kurtz, the daughter of Calvin and Esther Kurtz, Elverson R3, is a receptionist/secretary for a medical doctor. Since graduation from high school in 1984, she has spent some time studying at Penn State University Berks Campus and at the Community College of Philadelphia in the areas of psychology, sociology and communications.

While in high school, Carol served as secretary of the Twin Valley FFA, was active in student council and the black and white 4-H club. Her hobbies and interests include working with people, reading, jogging, music, children, sports and activities at the Hopewell-Reading Church. Carol's parents own and operate a 200-acre farm with 85 Holstein dairy cows.

Clarinda Leatherman, the daughter of Dan and Nancy Leatherman, Hamburg R2, is secretary of her youth group at Oley Mennonite Church and spends her late afternoons working part

time as a bookkeeper for the Harleysville National Bank.

A former home economics 4-H member, she enjoys baking, house and yard chores, biking and skiing. Clarinda's parents own and operate a 147-acre dairy farm with 110 Holsteins.

Diane Troutman, the daughter of George and Mary Troutman, is a junior at Conrad Weiser High School, where she is active in tennis, chorus, school play and the Junior Classical League. Diane, who owns several registered Holsteins, is a member of the Stouchburg 4-H Dairy Club and Marion Grange and is an active member of the Tulpehocken UCC Church and Youth Fellowship.

Diane plans to attend Kutztown University and major in visual arts after high school graduation. Her parents own a 202-acre farm and milk 73 Holsteins.

Berks County Sheep and Lamb Club

BY MEGAN PERRY
Club Reporter

LEESPORT — The Berks County Sheep and Lamb Club held its monthly meeting at the 4-H Center in Leesport. During the business meeting the group decided to accept an invitation from the Lancaster County sheep club to join their meeting in June to learn more about the Lead Line Contest. The contest is planned for the Reading Fair.

The club will be doing community service projects with Easter Seals May 6. They will travel to the Reading Special Education School where they will share a wool craft, which was demonstrated at the meeting by Mrs. Shirley Wade of the Pick-A-Way Spinners. A taste of lamb will also be offered.

The next meeting will be May 12 at Berks County Ag Center at 7:30 p.m.



Contestants for the 1986 Berks County dairy princess title are, front from left, Clarinda Leatherman, Diane Troutman, and back, from left, Carol Kurtz and Ann Kline.

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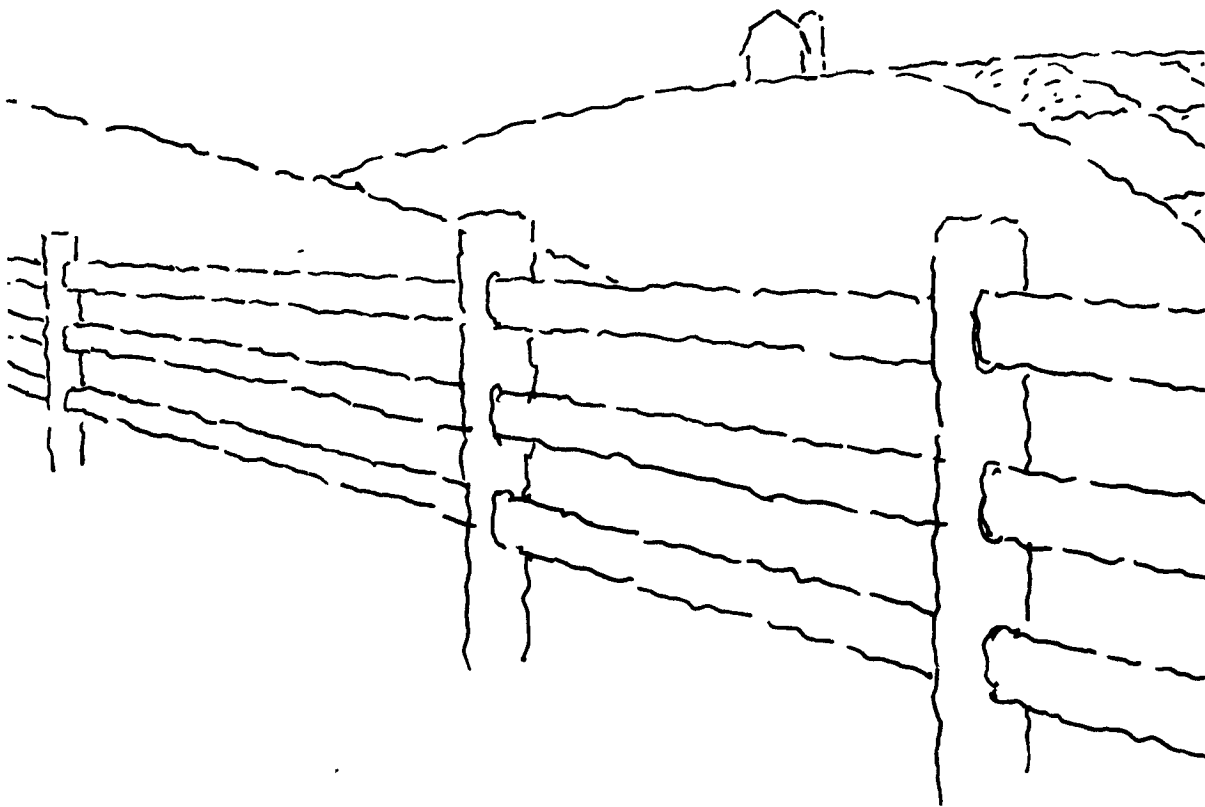
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