Three To Compete For Dairy Princess Title

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GETTYSBURG — Contestants for the title of 1986 Adams County Dairy Princess were feted to a tea Sunday afternoon, June 1st, at the home of reigning 1985 Adams County dairy princess Jennifer Hess.

The program included an orientation to the contest procedures by Nina Redding, Adams County dairy promotion committee member, and a description of her activities as dairy princess by Jenny Hess.

Three girls will compete for the title in the county contest to be held Saturday, June 14th, starting at 8 p.m. at the Biglerville High School auditorium, Biglerville. The contest will include a self-introduction, a radio promotional spot, and an impromptu answer to a selected question related to the dairy industry by each contestant. Contestants include:

Darlene Marie Brown, 18, daughter of Marvin and Barbara Brown, 1225 Georgetown Road, Littlestown. Darlene will graduate in early June from Littlestown High School and plans to seek employment immediately after graduation. She helps on her parents' 338-acre dairy farm where the principle crops grown are corn, hay, wheat and soybeans.

Darlene owns two Holsteins. Her activities include the 4-H dairy club, goat club, and the 4-H Public Speaking Contest at Penn State. She also enjoys gardening and crafts. Darlene says she would like to be a dairy princess because she enjoys working with people and she would like the opportunity to encourage young people to drink more milk instead of sodas.

"I like to promote my product," says Josephine Hess, 200 Tall Oaks Road, Gettysburg, as her reason

for seeking the dairy princess crown this year. Josie, 17, is the daughter of John and Bonnie Hess and is very involved in the family farm operation which includes 150 milking Holsteins and 700 acres of crops.

A junior at the New Oxford High School, Josie plans to attend Penn State after graduation to major in dairy science. Her school and community activities include FFA, 4-H and firls field hockey. In her spare time, Josie likes to show cows, ride three-wheelers, and work with computers.

Jennifer Kay Weimer, 18, daughter of Stanley and Rose Weimer, 2230 Oxford Road, New Oxford, is headed for Penn State this fall where she will pursue in agri-business major with a dairy promotion minor. No stranger to cow circles, Jenny has been very active in 4H, FFA, and the Pennsylvania Junior Holstein Association showing cattle from her family's 80-cow Holstein herd.

In school she is a member of the student council and girls field hockey team, and received the alternate award for the New Oxford Outstanding teenager. Jennifer enjoys judging and showing dairy cattle, playing field hockey, and spending time with her family and friends. Jennifer says she would like to be crowned the 1986 Adams County Dairy Princess because it has always been one of her dreams and she thinks it would be an honor to promote milk and the dairy industry.

1985 Adams County dairy princess Jenny Hess ranked her visits to the elementary classes to promote milk as her most enoyable experience as a dairy princess. Her advise to this year's contest winner is to just relax, be yourself, and always be prepared to promote the product.

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