60-Gallon Ice Cream Sundae Draws Crowd At Mall

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Cambria County Correspondent JOHNSTOWN - "This is great," a tattoo-covered truck driver said to anyone who'd listen. Five-yearold Shaina Parkins and her threeyear-old brother Craig had their mouths so full of ice cream they couldn't talk. And one-year-old Luray Cobaugh ignored the ice cream eaters and found her own dairy delight in a bottle of milk.

They were among the crowd that watched the building—and helped consume—a huge ice cream sundae at the Richland Mall near Johnstown on Friday, June 27. The event, sponsored by the Somerset County Dairy Promotion Committee during National Dairy Month, was part of a three-day promotion that featured free milk, balloons, a T-shirt giveaway, a milk trivia contest, visits by Rosie Real the cow, and plenty of handouts.

The sundae contained 60 gallons of ice cream, 40 pounds of chocolate syrup, 10 pounds of chopped nuts, 2 quarts of cherries, and a mountain of whipped cream. The concoction was topped with a Styrofoam ball covered with cherries.

The sundae-building crew included four disc jockeys and two dairy princesses. Somerset County Dairy Princess Missy Walker and first runner-up Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Laurie Duran of Washington County helped Bob Belz (WJAC-Johnstown), Jim Burton (WKYE-Johnstown), Don Evans (WVSC-Somerset), and Arnie McFarland (WDAJ-Somerset). Jim Harteis, and Ebensburg dairy farmer and members of the Allied Milk Producers board of directors, was master of ceremonies.

Galliker's Dairy of Johnstown supplied the ice cream. The program was planned by Dorothy Naugle of Allied Milk Producers with assistance from Jan Harding of the Pennsylvania Dairy Promotion Board and the Somerset County Dairy Promotion Committee.

Although the sundae wasn't a record-breaker and the ice cream was too soft to pile as high as the planners had hoped, the crowd didn't seem to care. They laughed as the sticky mountain slipped and slid in its "dish," a 6-foot wading pool. They howled when two of the disc jockeys got more whipped cream on each other than on the sundae. And they crowded up to the stage to get big servings of the conconction as soon as it was ready.

"I may not care much for milk," admitted the trucker as he edged forward with the crowd, "but there's no one in the world who doesn't like ice cream."



The proud workers display their finished product — a 60-gallon ice cream sundae. The workers, from left, are: Don Evans, WVSC, Somerset; Bob Belz, WJAC, Johnstown; Somerset County Dairy Princess Missy Walker; Jim Burton, WKYE, Johnstown; first runner-up Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Laurie Duran; and Arnie McFarland, WDAJ, Somerset.



Craig, 3, and Shaina, 5, Parkins of Elton Road, Richland Township, attack their share of the 60-gallon sundae.

Shippy Appointed Assistant Dean

NEWARK, Del. – R. Dean Shippy has been appointed assistant dean for instruction in the University of Delaware's College of Agricultural Sciences, effective July 1. He holds a bachelor's degree in agricultural education from Michigan State University, a master's in agricultural economics from the University of Delaware and a doctorate in agricultural education from Pennsylvania State University.

Shippy started his career with the University of Delaware in 1961 as an assistant marketing agent for the Delaware Cooperative Extension System. He joined the faculty of the department of agricultural economics in 1965 and attained the rank of associate professor. Shippy has taught courses in agricultural marketing and agricultural education.

In addition to teaching, Shippy has assisted the associate dean's office with student advisement and counseling. From 1970 to 1981 he assisted with counseling agricultural sciences students in the New Student Program. This univesity-wide program provides new students with orientation and advisement.

Shippy belongs to numerous professional and community organizations at the state, regional and national level in the areas of agricultural education and

agricultural economics. Since 1975 he has been faculty advisor for the campus chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

From 1980 to 1984 Shippy worked on a major research project investigating the role and characteristics of small farms in Delaware. He currently is a coresearcher on a project evaluating Delaware consumer attitudes toward food retailing methods and facilities.

Dr. Donald F. Crossan, administrative dean for the college, says, "Shippy's commitment to quality education and student wellbeing will help us effectively present the College of Agricultural Sciences to potential students."



