Butler County Dairy Princess Crown Goes To Jean Kummer

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BUTLER — Butler Community College was the scene of the 1987 Butler County Dairy Princess Pageant where Jean Kummer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee-Kummer of Evans City, was crowned princess, with Lona Rader, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rader of Connoquenessing, as alternate. The event was held Friday, June 26 at 8 p.m.

Jean Kummer is a senior at Seneca Valley High School, where she is a student athletic trainer with aspirations for either sports medicine or veterinary science. She is a member of the Medical Careers Club, Junior Achievement, and president of both a 4-H dairy club and general club.

Lona Rader is a senior at Butler Area High School and treasurer of the Butler Chapter of FFA and secretary of Butler County Dairywide. She is a member of both the Pa. Ayrshire Association and Holstein Association and a member of the Pa. Jr. Executive Holstein Committee.

Prior to the pageant, guests were treated to the organ music of Guy Rushenberger and welcomed by Dairy Promotion Committee chairman Janice Kennedy, who acknowledged the contributions of the sponsors of the pageant and introduced the Master of Ceremonies for the evening, Cathy Miller, assistant news director of WISR Radio Station in Butler.

Following their introduction, each contestant made a presentation. Rader had the children of the audience join her on a blanket as she read, from a giant story book, her original story of "The Cowstain Cows and The First Day of School."

Kummer shared her dilemma in deciding what to use for her presentation. She elaborated on the various things that she considered: from using the letters spelling "MILK" as an acronym, to donning her night clothes and reading an original nursery rhyme.

The contestants were then asked an impromptu question: "What

was your most memorable experience working with dairy cattle? Rader answered that it was breeding and raising her own Ayrshire calf and having it go on to win All-American at the Eastern Nationals in Harrisburg; for Kummer, it was being dragged by her calf the first time she led it herself.

While judges deliberated, the winner, Carolyn Scheiver, 1985-86 dairy princess, spoke farewell words to the crowd. She thanked dairy farmers for having confidence in the princess program and stated that this helps to build the confidence needed by the reigning princess to feel attractive and wholesome in order to relate well to others.

Jean Kummer was crowned the 1987 Dairy Princess by Carolyn Scheiver and will receive \$200 and a gift certificate for 25 percent off a gown from Vivirito's Formal Occasions in Cooperstown. As dairy princess alternate, Lona Rader received \$50.

Judges for the event were Tammy Cree, a senior at Waynesburg



Jean Kummer, 1987 Butler County Dairy Princess, poses with alternate princess Lona Rader.

College who was the 1983-84 Pennsylvania Dairy Princess; Pat McKenty, Milk Sanitarian for the

Pa. Department of Agriculture; and Pete Schramm, consultant for Schneider's Dairy, Inc.

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Cathy Shive reported on the Junior Livestock Field Day held at Penn State June 13.

Following the business meeting, the group played volleyball.



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