Junia Laughery Wears Crawford County Dairy Princess Crown

BY CAROLYN GILLES Crawford Co. Correspondent GUYS MILLS — Crawford County Farm-City Day activities culminated in the Dairy Princess pageant at the Jon Reese farm near Guys Mills on June 27th. Wearing the dairy princess crown for 1987 is Junia Laughery of Union City. Two alternates were named: Lori Black of Saegertown and Michelle Rambo of Meadville.

Junia, the daughter of Edward and Julie Laughery, is 18 and a 1987 graduate of Union City High School. She was last year's Alternate Dairy Princess. A member of the Milking Shorthorn Association, she has held many offices in 4-H and is a member of FFA. She was president of her high school's chapter of SADD and was a member of the yearbook staff.

She helps her parents manage 80 Milking Shorthorns and owns 13 cows. Junia plans to attend Gannon University to study to become a legal assistant.

Alternate Lori Black, the daughter of Richard and Jean Black, is 17 and will be a senior at Saegertown High School, majoring in the academic curriculum. She has been a member of 4-H for many years and participated in the 4-H Interstate Exchange Program.

She is a member of Crawford County Jr. Holsteins and the State Jr. Holsteins. Lori plans to attend Penn State to major in dairy production.

Alternate Michelle Rambo, the daughter of Bonita Rambo, is 18 and a 1987 graduate of Meadville Area Senior High School, where she was on the school newspaper staff and in the Vo-tech Cooperative Program. She is a member of Pymatuning 4-H and has three project animals. She has taken 15 years of dance and has been in a bowling league for seven years.

Master of Ceremonies for the evening was Phil Taylor of Venango County Cooperative Extension Service. Taylor introduced the contestants: Lori Black, Junia Laughery and Michelle Rambo.

For her presentation, Black did an impression of Ernest T. talking to his old friend Vern about "White Light."

Laughery pretended that she was a little girl talking to her teddy bear at bedtime about how she could help her daddy to advertise dairy products using her Millie the Cow puppet.

In Rambo's presentation, she talked to a Raggedy Ann doll who had broken her arm and told that if she didn't get her act together and drink her milk, she might get osteoporosis.

Following presentations, Bonnie Krider gave a Salute to Spon-



1987 Crawford County Dairy Princess Junia Laughery, center, poses with alternate princesses Lori Black, left, and Michelle Rambo, right.

sors, the many agriculture-related businesses that donate and make the pageant possible.

The contestants were then asked an impromptu question: "How would you convince a nonbeliever to buy real dairy products?"

While judges deliberated, farewell remarks were given by 1986 Princess Marsha Anthony and 1986 Alternate Junia Laughery. Incentive Awards totaling \$300 were presented to Anthony and Laughery for participating in 30 school programs, 18 newspaper articles, 18 radio or television programs, 16 supermarket and/or shopping center promotions. 12 promotional presentations and/or speeches before non-farm groups, 5 farm meetings, 5 special events (parades, fairs, etc.), training seminar, and the state pageant. Judges for the event were Carol Gregg of Grove City, a farm wife and correspondent for "Farmshine"; Cheryl Pavkov, a farm wife from McKean; and Sam Wagner of Tionesta, county commissioner for Forest County.

Best Presentation Award went to Junia Laughery. Following the pageant, strawberry shortcake was served with real whipped cream.

