



Operating Glad-Mar Farm is a family affair for the Holland family. Pictured (l-r), is Dave, Ken, Lana, Dan and Linda.

Lana Holland: A Goal-Oriented Teen Who Wears The Maryland Dairy Princess Crown

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POCOMOKE CITY — Fulfilling a life long dream is exactly what 17-year-old Lana Holland was able to do when she was crowned Maryland's 1988 State Dairy Princess.

Growing up on a farm on Maryland's lower shore in Pocomoke City, away from the famous vacation spot of Ocean City, and the corporate world of Washington,

D.C. has enabled Lana to become a young woman of many talents.

Following in her parents' and two older brothers' footsteps, Lana has quite a list of accomplishments, many of which were gained academically and through 4-H activities. Lana's parents, Ken and Linda, operate a 1,200-acre dairy farm with Lana's uncle, Wayne. Milking 200 Holsteins would make one think that there is not much time for anything else, but

the family is very active in dairy-related activities.

On the family farm, Ken is the herdsman while his brother, Wayne, is in charge of the crops. Along with Lana's brothers, Dan, a college senior, and Dave, a college junior, they are able to maintain a herd average of 17,000 pounds of milk and 610 pounds of fat. Lana helps out when needed with feeding calves and during the summer months she is in charge of milking the herd every other night. Linda also works as a job placement counselor at Woodbridge Business Institute in Salisbury, Maryland.

Four-H is a commonly heard word in the Holland household, with everyone in the family being involved in the organization at one time or another. Ken was a leader for 13 years in Worcester County, and Linda was a member in Carroll County while growing up, and later a leader for 10 years in Worcester County. Dan and David were also members, with David being the livestock superintendent for their county fair last year. Lana has been involved with 4-H for the past eight years in both the dairy club and LFD club, (Learn, Fun, and Do).

While in 4-H Lana has participated in a variety of projects, which hold many interesting memories for her. One involves showing a dairy cow when she was twelve. She was to show a two-year-old. Not just any two-year-old, but one that had not been halter broken. Despite difficulties



Linda and Lana have a very close mother-daughter relationship they are pictured here looking over clippings acquired from being named the 1988 dairy princess.

showing Glad-Mar Kennedy Cindy, a Sleepy Hollow Kennedy daughter, she was named the area champion. Later, in Lana's 4-H career, she wrote a speech about this cow, "1255, My Lucky Number," (1255 was the cow's tag

number). Another interesting memory of Lana's is owning a Jersey. Despite being a daughter of a Holstein breeder, Lana had a desire to own a Jersey calf. This desire stemmed

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Lana enjoys playing the piano in her spare time.

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