# Dairy Princess To Represent Five Counties

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Union Co. Correspondent LINE MOUNTAIN (Northumberland Co.) — Francine Martz of Northumberland County is the new SUN Area Dairy Princess. She succeeded Shawn Hoffman at the pageant held recently at Boscov's Department Store in the Susquehanna Valley Mall.

A 1991 graduate of Line Moun-

tain High School, Francine participated in the Pennsylvania Governor's School in Agriculture last summer. Her school project was to work with Penn State researcher Kathy Hicks studying mastitis in dairy cows.

In high school, Francine was active in FFA, Future Business Leaders of American, varsity softball, the school band, and National



SUN Dairy Princess Francine Martz, left, and Alternate Princess Deanna Kuhns will promote the dairy industry in four counties.



From left, the Beachel family, Risser family, and Ken and Anna Mae Shuck received Dairy of Distinction awards at the SUN Pageant.

Honor Society. She shows Guernseys and Brown Swiss, sings in the church choir, and helps on the family farm.

Francine will be a freshman in ag business at Penn State in the fall. She is the daughter of Bryon and Patricia Martz.

Alternate Dairy Princess is Deanna Kuhns of Union County. She will be a senior at Mifflinburg High School where she is president of her FFA club. In addition to looking after her 27 Holsteins and a horse, she enjoys swimming and volleyball.

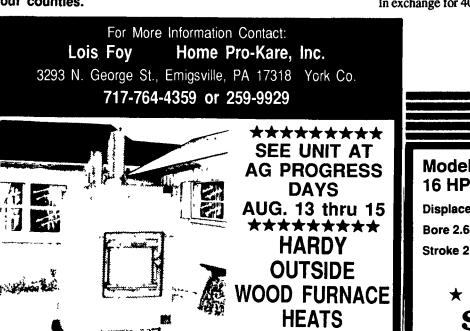
The former Princess, Shawn Hoffman, reported that she participated in 114 promotions in the SUN area that includes Snyder, Union, Northumberland, and Montour Counties. In recognition for her support, Shawn presented her mother, Susan Hoffman, with flowers at the pageant.

The 1991 Dairy of Distinction Awards went to David Beachel and family, Washingtonville; Roy Risser and his sons Leslie and Sam and their families, Middleburg; and Ken and Anna Mae Shuck, Mifflinburg. Fred Epler presented the signs and plaques to the winners on behalf of the SUN Area Dairy Promotion Committee.

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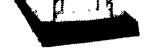
WARREN (Warren Co.)— The Penn State Cooperative Extension office of Crawford and Warren Counties are planning to conduct a Master Gardener Program this fall. The Master Gardener Program is a volunteer training program designed to provide experienced home gardeners of all types with the knowledge and skills necessary to share their experience and information with others. In exchange for 40 hours of indoor and outdoor instruction, candidates agree to complete 50 hours of volunteer service to the local county Cooperative Extension office. Weekly classes will be held from the second week of October through the last week of February. Since several county extension offices will be combining their efforts with this, trainings will probably be held in the Titusville area.

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