

Life Size

PERMISSION TO REPRODUCE THIS ARTICLE GRANTED BY THE PUBLISHERS OF LANCASTER FARMING

# Lancaster Farming

VOL. 37 No. 43 Four Sections Lancaster Farming, Saturday, September 5, 1992 60¢ Per Copy \$19.00 Per Year

## Lancaster DHIA Calls Member Meeting

The Lancaster County Dairy Herd Improvement Association has scheduled a membership meeting next week for local officials to present an update as to what is happening in DHIA. The meeting is scheduled for Wednesday evening, September 9, at the Farm and Home Center. Starting time is 7:30 p.m.

Robert Wenger, president, said the meeting is called to answer member questions and discuss bylaw changes. All Lancaster DHIA members are invited to attend.

## Field Day Attracts Farmers

**GAIL STROCK**  
Mifflin Co. Correspondent  
McALLISTERVILLE (Juniata Co.) — Hard work that went into preparing for Juniata County's Conservation Tillage Field Day recently paid off when more than 60 farmers and conservationists converged here to hear presentations on soil compaction, crop residue management, alfalfa management, soil tests, and conservation tillage and equipment.

(Turn to Page A38)

**Office Closed**  
Lancaster Farming's office will be closed on Monday, September 7, to observe Labor Day. The advertising department and the news desk will reopen on Tuesday.



The new Maryland Farm Bureau Queen, Dawn Downey, with her parents Frank and Carolyn Downey and brothers Ryan and Wade. Brother Kirt, not in the photo, had returned to a new semester at Duke University.

## Downey Crowned Maryland Farm Queen

**EVA MARTIN**  
Maryland Correspondent  
TIMONIUM, MD. — Dawn Downey, 17-year-old daughter of Frank and Carolyn Downey was awarded the honor to represent Maryland Farm Bureau as their Queen for 1992. The contest took place at the Cow Palace of the Maryland State Fair Sunday night. Dawn, who was Washington County Farm Bureau Queen, was chosen from participants representing 23 Maryland counties. She accepted her crown from 1991 queen, Kelly Holland of Worcester County.  
Miss Downey lives with her parents and three brothers, Kirk, Ryan and Wade on a 700-acre

dairy, beef and grain farm in southern Washington County. She has been active in 4-H for the past eight years, showing her Jersey and Holstein dairy animals, Suffolk sheep and German Shepherd dog. A champion public speaker, she participated as a Maryland delegate to the 1991 National 4-H conference, testified at Maryland Public Hearings to defend 4-H against proposed budget cuts, is a 4-H Ambassador and participant in Maryland 4-H Teen Focus.  
Dawn has also gained experience for her role as queen from prior reigns as Maryland State Jersey Queen and Washington County Dairy Princess.  
(Turn to Page A37)

## Master Farmer Visits Russia To Compare Notes



George Moyer looks for mail from Russia in front of his Dairy of Distinction farm. Moyer visited the black soil region along the Seim River last month.

**EVERETT NEWSWANGER**  
Managing Editor  
FRYSTOWN (Berks Co.) — For George Moyer, returning from a 14-day trip to Russia was like coming home to heaven. Because the corn and alfalfa on Moyer's Dairy of Distinction farm looks great, the contrast was remarkable, compared to the dry pastures and thistle patches they saw on the trip.  
"We take so much for granted," said the 1989 Master Farmer. "They have better soil than we do, but they are 50 years behind in methods and technology."  
Moyer was part of a "people-to-people" group organized as a sustainable agriculture delegation. They left on July 24 and returned August 9.  
"My goal was to find out how  
(Turn to Page A36)

## Supreme Champion Hogs And Cow Named At Allentown Fair

### Seeds Wins With Jersey

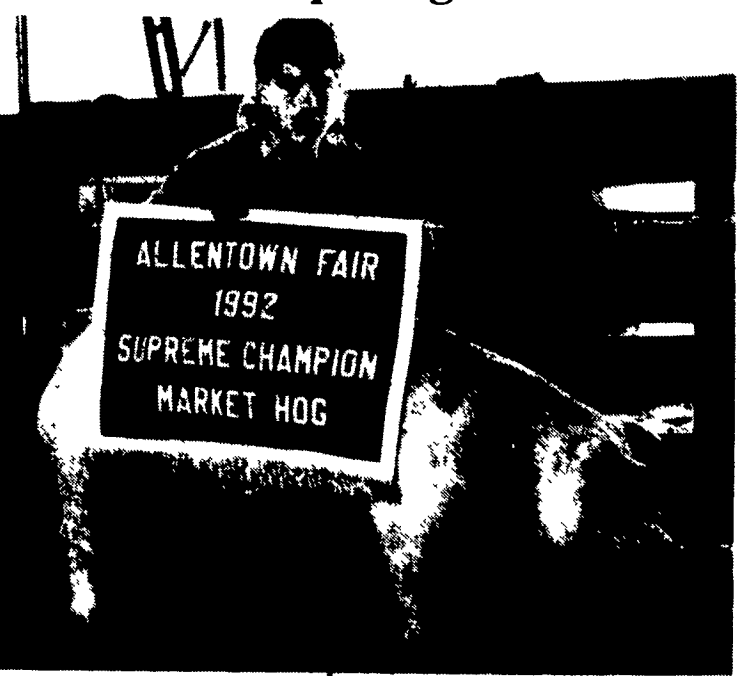
**EVERETT NEWSWANGER**  
Managing Editor  
ALLENTOWN (Berks Co.)—Now make it 10 Supreme dairy cow championships in 30 years for Mildred Seeds, Downingtown. The top honor that comes when all breed grand champions compete at the Allentown Fair  
(Turn to Page A20)



Mildred Seeds, Downingtown, again won the supreme championship with the Tina cow. The homebred Jersey repeated last year's honors.

### Lazarus, Wessner Sweep Hog Show

**ANDY ANDREWS**  
Lancaster Farming Staff  
ALLENTOWN (Lehigh Co.)—The swine industry is looking for the "best carcass," which was evident in the hog named supreme market champion on Wednesday at the Allentown Fair.  
Benjamin Lazarus, 17, son of Grant and Linda Lazarus, Germansville, picked up supreme championship honors with his medium weight (225-pound) Landrace/Duroc/Chester White barrow from his family's Busy Acres herd.  
This is Ben's first grand champion at Allentown, and he has been showing for about nine years.  
Judge Kenneth Fetterolf, a Hampshire and Duroc breeder from Centre Hall and a leader of the Centre Hall 4-H Ag Club, said the hog, as a carcass, will show its squareness "down the top and at  
(Turn to Page A33)



Benjamin Lazarus won supreme market hog champion with his 225-pound Landrace/Duroc/Chester White barrow on Wednesday at the Allentown Fair.