

# Wayne County Dairy Princess

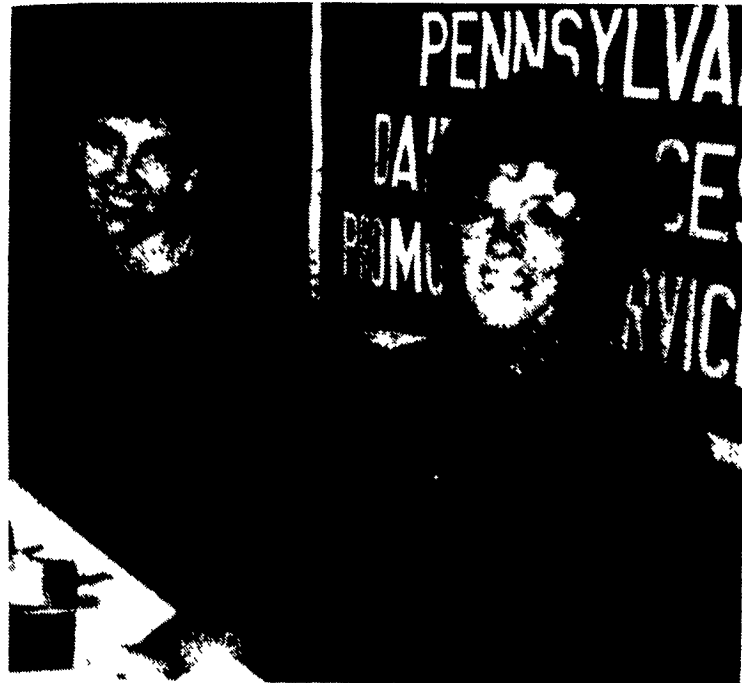
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oneself and ask about common interests and questions of interest to the other person.

Second alternate Sandra Gross said that she considers it most important to be honest, open, and friendly when establishing

relationships.

Awards for the three outstanding presentations went to Amy Nyman of Centre County, Jennifer Rosenberry of Franklin County, and Jennifer Frederick of Blair County. These three each received \$100 for the best original



Guests at the 36th annual dairy princess pageant are greeted by members of the PAPPS board of directors Beth Heald Moore, treasurer, Chambersburg; and Wanda Yoder, Central District chairperson, Belleville.



From left, Jennifer Frederick, Blair County, and Jennifer Rosenberry, Franklin County, receive awards for outstanding presentations. The outstanding speech presentation went to Amy Nyman of Centre County who was not available for photos.



Contestants voted Huntingdon County Dairy Princess Jeri Lynn Peterson most congenial.



Ready to begin state dairy promotional activities are from left: Jennifer Rosenberry, 1st alternate; Crystal Schweighofer, Pa. Dairy Princess, and Sandra Gross, Berks County.

presentations.

Amy's speech concentrated on how safe it is to drink milk because of the high standards farmers are required to follow in cleaning cows, equipment, and maintaining a healthy herd.

Jennifer Rosenberry entertained the audience with preparations for Santa's visit on Christmas Eve. To the tune of "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," Jennifer sang about Bossy with milk so white, won't you produce your milk tonight?"

Jennifer Frederick portrayed an investigative reporter searching for the facts behind the people's choice — vote for milk candidate.

Other contestants who received honorable mention for their dairy promotional presentations included Jeri Lynn Peterson of Huntingdon County, Sandra Gross of Berks County, Melissa Spory of Somerset, and Natalie Taydus of Warren County.

The two top \$50 scrapbook awards went to Jill Harmish of Lancaster County and to Noel Schreib of Chester County. Scrapbook judges Cindy Weimer and Lolly Weimer also gave honorable mention awards to Angela Baker of Lebanon County; Crystal Schweighofer of Wayne; and Sandra Gross of Berks County.

The contestants named Jeri Lynn Peterson as Miss Congeniality.

Co-winners of the Tina M. Shultz Memorial Award of \$300 and a plaque went to Jessica Gourley of Warren County and to Carrie Bryant of Wayne County. These two completed their reign during the past year and received the award for doing the most outstanding job of serving the county on behalf of the dairy industry. It is based on the number and kinds of promotional activities accomplished.

Judges for the pageant were Gayle Carson, dairy coordinator of Select Sires in Tennessee; Cynthia Kereluk, dairy spokesperson for MAMMA; Eugene Meyer of Wisconsin, former editor of Hoard's Dairyman; and Shirley Griffith, who is with the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council Inc. in New York.

As the retiring state dairy princess, Robin Wilbur asked alternates Tanya Martin and Onalee Smith to join her on stage for a final walk together.

"These are the best 'sisters' that I could ever ask for. We had so



Crystal and her mom, Joan Schweighofer, live on a 215-acre farm in Honesdale.



Alisha Gross, 12, and Marcle Spory, 7, dream of the day when they can enter the dairy princess pageant like their sisters, Sandra Gross of Berks County and Melissa Spory of Somerset County.

much fun working together," Robin said of the past year.

"The dairy industry means everything to me. It's where my parents livelihood and my own future lies. I'm proud to be a farmer's daughter. My goal — to teach consumers about our products — will never change," Robin promised.

Qualifications for dairy princesses require contestants to come from a dairy farm or dairy related background, own dairy animals or they or their parents must be employed in the dairy industry.

They must be single and be between the ages of 16 and 24. They must possess knowledge, poise, and speaking ability necessary to carry out duties as a spokesperson for the dairy industry.

This past year, the 39 former dairy princesses collectively conducted 1,744 school programs, 647 newspaper articles, 741 radio and TV appearances, 561 store and mall promotions, 510 non-farm presentations, 371 farm meetings, and 716 special events. They distributed 176,213 recipe folders and 134,041 pieces of promotional materials.