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World Dairy Expo Names Bupp 'Dairy Woman Of The Year'

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SEVEN VALLEYS (York Co.)

—Leroy Bupp hit paydirt when he took a risk and married a teenage bride from a non-farm background. That bride turned out to be a hard-working dairy farmer who has been named 1993 Dairy

Woman of the Year by World Dairy Expo.

This isn't a superficial title, but one that Joyce Bupp has earned by blood, sweat, and tears for her exceptional achievements, participation, and leadership in dairy and community activities.

To our readers, Joyce is probab-

ly best known for her weekly column, "On Being a Farm Wife And Other Hazards." These weekly columns offer personal glimpses into everyday happenings on the farm.

In person, Joyce is just as warm, friendly, and optimistic as her col-

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Dairy Woman of the Year Joyce Bupp credits her husband Leroy for being wonderfully supportive of all she does.

Maryland Crowns Dairy Princess

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FREDERICK, Md. — Dawn Downey, 17-year-old daughter of Frank and Carolyn Downey was crowned the Maryland Dairy Princess at the 32nd coronation held in the Grand Ballroom of the Holliday Inn, Frederick. She was crowned by Laurie Zimmerman, 1992 Maryland Dairy Princess.

Downey lives with her parents and three brothers, Kirk, Ryan, and Wade on a 700-acre dairy, beef and grain farm in southern Wash-

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Laurie Zimmerman, center, crowns Maryland Dairy Princess Dawn Downey, left, and Alternate Mary Ellen Seraydian during the pageant held in Frederick, Maryland.

Dairy Of Distinction Feature

Photographs of the 1993 Dairy of Distinction farms are featured in this issue. Please see the special supplement.

Conservation Commission Appoints Nutrient Management Advisory Board

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Another piece in the basic structure of the state's nutrient management law was added last week as the State Conservation Commission approved nominations to the Nutrient Management Advisory Board.

The approval of the board members is a major step in the creation of a nutrient management regulatory bureaucracy. The nutrient management law, signed by Gov. Robert Casey just prior to his historic heart and lungs transplant, went into effect July 19.

Under the law, the State Conservation Commission, chaired by the secretary of the Department of

Environmental Resources, is to promulgate specific regulations covering the dispersal and flow of nutrients, effectively so as to not exceed levels that are toxic to an existing healthy waterway ecology.

Although intensive, commercial livestock production has been the target group of certain political groups, it is not the entirety of the businesses which are to be affected. Under the nutrient management law, all non-point sources of nutrients are to eventually be researched and analyzed for possible impact to a waterway (surface or groundwater).

In the future, it is possible that golf courses, residential areas, feedstuff storage areas, and com-

mmercial crop growers who apply commercial fertilizer, as well as other businesses as research indicates, may be affected.

There are 15 members on the board who are to consist of:

- five active commercial farm owners or operators representing the livestock, swine, meat poultry, egg poultry and dairy industry nominated by statewide general farm organizations;
- one veterinary nutrition specialist;
- one representative from the fertilizer industry;
- one representative of commercial agricultural lenders;
- one representative of local government;

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Hot Weather, Ornerly Steers Challenge Lebanon Beef Show Exhibitors

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NORTH CORNWALL (Lebanon Co.) — Jason Shirk's 1,350-pound Simmental/Angus cross, full brother to last year's reserve champion steer, according to Jason, won supreme champion beef on Tuesday at the Lebanon Fair.

Jason, 11, son of Dawn Shirk and Tom Arnold, Rexmont, picked up the championship from the heavyweight class. He said his grandfather, Leon Arnold, helped him pick the steer. This is Jason's fourth year showing steers at the fair.

Reserve champion went to an 1,105-pound Simmental/Hereford cross, shown by Nathan Spatz, 11, son of Brian and Joanne Spatz, Lebanon. Nathan is a fifth grader at New Covenant Christian School. The steer, from the light-weight division, was purchased at

the Dutch Country Calf Sale in October.

Both steers were 4-H projects. With many exhibitors sweaty and disheveled, particularly during the showmanship portion of the show from dealing with sweltering heat and ornerly, unruly steers, the show judge, Dr. Erskine Cash, Centre Hall, congratulated the exhibitors for doing the best they could under the conditions. The steer shown by Shirk, said Cash, was "representative of the total industry, not a single endpoint in the industry." He said it had lots of rib, depth of rib, and more body without being "wastey."

Soaked with sweat, this year's champion 4-H showman dealt with an ornerly Chianina cross that at times looked like would put the champion out of the competition. But Cash recognized what the exhibitors were dealing with in the

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Jason Shirk, third from left, picked up grand champion steer at the Lebanon Fair Beef Show on Tuesday with his heavyweight Simmental/Angus cross. From left, Amy Clair, Pa. Cattlemen's Queen; Dr. Erskine Cash, show judge; Jason; Nathan Spatz, reserve champion; and Jamie Irwin, Lebanon Fair Queen. Photo by Andy Andrews.