

# Archer Reigns As Maryland Farm Bureau Queen

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TIMONIUM, MD. — Kristin Archer, Harford County Farm Bureau Queen, represents Maryland Farm Bureau as their Queen for 1993. The contest took place at the Cow Palace of the Maryland State Fair Sunday night. Kristin was chosen from participants representing 23 Maryland counties. She accepted her crown from 1992 queen, Dawn Downey.

Archer lives with her parents on a dairy and grain farm near Pylesville. Her farm responsibilities include milking, feeding and field work. She has been active in 4-H for the past nine years, showing her Holstein dairy animals, and entering projects in foods, nutrition, woodworking, and child care. Participation in public speaking, dairy bowl and dairy judging contests won her awards during the past several years.

Kristin has gained experience for her role as queen from her reign as 1992-93 Baltimore/Harford Dairy Princess. She enjoyed promotional demonstrations in schools, at fairs and to the media.

Archer excels in field hockey and lacrosse, winning grants for each sport at Harford Community College where she is a freshman. She plans a career in physical therapy.

Impromptu questions were drawn from a cardboard barn. She was asked to explain to a non-agriculture person the knowledge and skills needed and used on the farm daily.

"Come work with me on the

farm," she quipped, "it's the greatest experience!"

The Maryland Farm Bureau and Maryland State Fair presented Kristin with a \$3,000 scholarship and General Motors provided the use of a GMC Jimmy for ninety days.

The farm Bureau Queen's Court included first runner-up, Wendy Walmsley, Queen Annes County; second runner-up, Rebecca Ripley, St. Mary's County; third runner-up, Marie Speak, Carroll County; fourth runner up, Sara Morris, Kent County.

Judges for the contest were Kim Bower-Spence, associate editor of Pennsylvania Farmer; Patti Crow, chairman, West Virginia Farm Bureau Women's Committee; and Tim Bigham field advisor, New York Farm Bureau. Emcee for the evening was John Butler, field services director of Maryland Farm Bureau. Entertainment was furnished by David Stambler Quartet.

Each of the county queens gave a prepared speech about their farming background, 4-H, community and county history. A question was drawn for general farming knowledge and promotion. The queens met with judges prior to the evening contest for a formal interview and were scored on farm, home and community responsibilities, general appearance, speaking ability, personality and friendliness.

Contestants and the counties they represented are as follows: Sally Wasileski, Allegany; Brandi Schwinn, Anne Arundel; Laura Langlotz, Baltimore; Victoria Bradley, Calvert; Megan Whea-



The court, from left, includes Marie Speak, third runner-up; Wendy Walmsley, first runner-up; Maryland Farm Bureau Queen Kristin Archer; Rebecca Ripley, second runner-up; and Sara Morris, fourth runner-up.

tey, Caroline; Nicole Russell, Cecil; Ann Herbert, Charles; Betsy Spedden, Dorchester; Alexandra Brenning, Frederick; Sara Hutzel, Garrett; Angela Johnson, Howard; Lonette Luther, Montgomery; Tammie Wood, Prince Georges; April Porter, Somerset;

Beverly Collier, Talbot; Rebecca Geeslin, Wicomico; and Rebecca Houser, Washington; Christy Carmean, Worcester.



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