SUN Area Contestants
To Compete For Crown

WATSONTOWN (Northumberland Co.)—Rebecca Dugan and Eve Smith will be competing tonight for the 1995 Sun Area dairy princess crown, to represent Snyder Union, Northumberland, and Montour counties.

Boscov's and the Sun Area Dairy Promotion Committee will be sponsoring a three-day event at the Susquehanna Valley Mall in Selinsgrove.

Saturday, June 24, will be a very busy day starting at 9:30 a.m. with cattle arriving for the petting zoo, ending with the pageant and fashion show, sponsored by Boscov's, and a new 1995 dairy princess.

Music for the evening will be by Karen Auker, vocalist from Drums. Master of Ceremonies will be Mike Daniels, from WIGGLE Radio, Selinsgrove.

•Rebecca (Becky) Dugan, Northumberland County, daughter of George and Barbara Dugan. Becky is a 1993 graduate of Warrior Run Area High School. She is now farming with her father, and works part time for W. Dale and JoAnn Lose at their Watsontown, R.D. Dairy Farm. The "Field of Dreams Farm" consists of 15 milking cows and eight heifers, Jersey, and Guernsey.



Rebecca Dugan

Becky is certified by NRA as a basic firearm instructor. She is an active 4-H leader in Montour County clubs: 22 Rifle, Air Rifle, and North-Mont Dairy Club. She is also a board member of the Montour-DeLong Fair Association and serves as lecturer/youth adviser for Delaware Grange. She has recently been certified by Atlantic Breeders Coop. for successfully completing their artificial insemination course. Her hobbies are competition shooting and showing registered Jersey and Guernsey cattle at local fairs. Becky has two sisters, Michelle



Eve Smith

and Melissa, at Watsontown.

•Eve M. Smith, Snyder County, daughter of Ricky and Dawn Smith. Eve will be a senior at Middleburg High School, studying agri-business. She works full time for Keister Keys. Her school and community activities are FFA, Hummel's United Methodist Women, Youth Group, Choir, and Branches Gospel Group. Eve enjoys singing, working in the garden, working with flowers, and working with animals. She has a brother Jeremy. She lives on a 75-acre farm with 60 Holsteins, at Middleburg, R.D.

Cumberland County Chooses Dairy Princess

BETH MILLER

Cumberland Co. Correspondent CARLISLE (Cumberland Co.) — Cumberland County has a new Dairy Princess for 1995. Her name is Lori Brownewell, the daughter of Robert and Debra Brownewell of Carlisle.

Judging from her performance at her coronation at the Embers Convention Center, Lori will do a good job during the year she will spend promoting the dairy industry.

Lori, who was the county's only contestant for the princess crown this year, is a senior at Big Spring High School and helps out on her parent's Lower Frankford Twp. farm.

She said she plans to attend college to study to become a veterinarian.

Her immediate plans include continuing to be active in the Big Spring FFA and to spend the summer working as a waitress.

Lori showed her concern for the future of the dairy industry when she chose "The Extinction of the Dairy Farmer" as the topic of her coronation speech.

"Imagine for a moment a world without dairy products," Lori said. "Without milk, remaining healthy and fit would be impossible."

Yet every year more and more dairy farms are disappearing, she said. All the milk produced today comes from 650,000 cows on 13,000 dairy farms, she said.

"That's right, only 13,000. That's all that's left," Lori said. "We talk about the extinction of animals and trees. But what about dairy farms? Should we allow one of the most important industries in the state to become extinct?"

Imitation food products are hurting the dairy industry. Even they are poor substitutes for real dairy products, she said.

"Imitation is like second best. I don't know about you but I don't



Cumberland County's 1995 Dairy Princess Lori Brownewell is flanked to the left by Dairy Maid Rebecca Cornman and 1994 Dairy Princess Kimberly Orris and to the right by Dairy Maid Julie Fulton.

want to give my family second

That is why everyone should look for the Real Seal, she said.

"By buying products with the Real Seal, you are also backing up our dairy farmers. We need dairy farmers and their products. Help keep dairy farmers from becoming a statistic, look for the Real Seal," Lori said.

For presentation, Lori pretended to be a wife who had just finished shopping. She made believe that she was talking to her husband in another room who was thirsty for his chocolate milk.

She told how she always buys products with the Real Seal and talked about the nutritional benefits of the dairy products she pulled out of her shopping bag.

However, as she talked about the products, she took sips of her husband's chocolate milk so that by the time she finished the milk was gone and she had to run out and get him some more.

Lori was crowned by the 1994 Dairy Princess, Kimberly Orris, who thanked everyone who had helped her during her year. The experience of being dairy princess was "an education in itself," Orris said.

Like Lori, she was worried about the future of dairy farming.

"A lot of older farmers are retiring. But for those that are retiring, only a few are taking over to replace them," Orris said. That is sad, because "without us the grocery stores would be empty," she said.

"Don't let us be a cloud in the sky. Let us be as real as the seal."

Brownewell will be assisted in her dairy prinncess duties by two dairy maids.

Dairy Maid Rebecca Cornman is the daighter of Steve and Debbie Cornman of Carlisle. Dairy Maid Julie Fulton is the daughter of Robert and Rebecca Fulton of Shippensburg.

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