

# To Select Farm Queen

**RANDALLSTOWN, Md.**  
Next weekend, 21 young women from across the state are to compete for the title of 1998 Maryland Farm Queen, during a two-day contest, sponsored by Maryland Farm Bureau and the Maryland State Fair August 30 and 31.

The contest culminates in a public competition at 7 p.m. Sunday in the fairground Cow Palace.

Each of these young women represents her home county and was selected in a local contest earlier this year.

During the competition, these young women will participate in both informal and formal competitions designed to evaluate their knowledge of Farm Bureau policy and agriculture.

They will also be judged on their poise, ability to speak and community involvement.

During the public session — emceed by local News Channel 2 anchor Sandra Pinkney — each

contestant will give a one-minute presentation and answer a "fish bowl" question concerning current agricultural issues.

Sunday's event will also mark the end of the reign of Sara Roberts of Bryantown, Charles County, as 1997 Maryland farm queen.

In addition to making appearances and presenting awards at the Maryland State Fair, the farm queen is considered the state's young ambassador for agriculture.

During the year, she is to appear at various events including school groups, service clubs and other organization interested in hearing presentations about Maryland agriculture.

As county farm queen, each young woman is to perform similar duties in her home county during the year.

For more information about the contest, please contact the Maryland Farm Bureau at (410) 922-3426.

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the use of stream bank fencing, water access areas, and water

crossing areas. All are constructed to prevent soil erosion on any farm.



Myers, at left with stick, said, "It's often difficult to get water from the terrace to the waterway without having a little bit of a problem." The seepage caused ruts and some erosion, but nothing significant to warrant emergency repair. Some sections were still muddy but the grass was gradually returning, and some additional repair at the site is warranted.



A combination of no-till and buffer strips work in large part to stem erosion on the steep hillsides at Ag Progress. Joel Myers, state agronomist, stands in the buffer strip. He noted that the use of a buffer strip at the end of a field will control erosion from the end rows.

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