Milk Promotion, Awards, Receive Top Billing At New York State Fair Dairy Day

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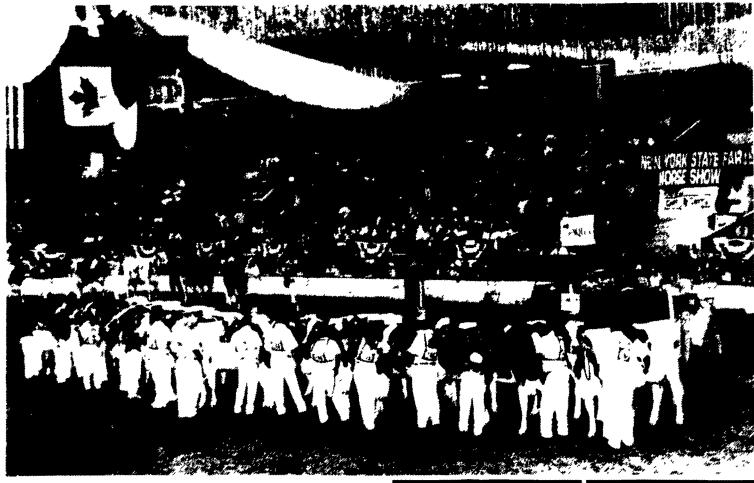
rural land and you think you are not affected, yet whenever someone builds or puts a trailer on the bottom land, you are affected by environmental pressure.

"I don't believe you ever have seen a parking lot plowed up for farming again. It is always a one way street," Davidson said. "We are going in the right direction. The price of milk is up and milk production has only increased marginally. It has not kept up with demand. People have discovered that substitutes are not better for you. The butter is better than the substitutes. Now they tell me after my heart attack.

"We are seeing the free market working to drive the price of milk up. Now we see people say we don't need the Dairy Compact. But the Compact not only helps dairymen, it helps even out the price for consumers too, so you don't have the wild roller coaster sweeps in price. So, it is even more apparent that we need the Dairy Compact."

In the awards program Richard Coyne was the recipient of the 1998 Person of Distinction award for the Dairy of Distinction program. In presenting the award William Underwood, chairman of the New York State program, said that in this the 14th year of a program that was expected to last 10 years, the program continues to grow. Interest from farmers across the state bring in new applications every year and has made the program a continuing success.

Coyne was a member of the board of directors from the beginning. He lives on the family farm in Avon, New York, and farms with his brother Jerry, two sons Shawn and Greg, and nephew Malachy. They farm 1700 acres, 1300 owned. He started with 25 cows and through the 4-H program got interested in purebred cattle. They own 700 milk cows, mostly purebred Holsteins.



Judge Ken Empey has his work cut out in the large classes. Here the 4 year-old class has 20 entries. A large crowd has gathered to watch this very strong Holstein show. Elmview Farm, Millerton, N.Y., had both the grand and the reserve grand champion of the show.

He has been president of the New York State Holstein Association and served on the board of directors of the National Holstein Association.

The cheese and butter awards, the Lafargeville branch of Crowley Foods, took the grand champion award.

In the milk processor awards, went to Crowley Foods, Albany and Wendt's Dairy, Niagara Falls.

In the 300 head Holstein Show with classes of 20 or more entries was staged in the Coliseum during Dairy Day at the Fair.

When Judge Ken Empey had made the final selections, C Woodfield Inspiration Lou, the beautiful aged cow entered in the 125,000lb. milk class by Elmvue Farm, Millerton, N.Y. was named grand champion. Elmvue's C Desailes Counsel Alexine entered in the 6y and over class was named reserve grand champion.

Other features included a very large butter sculpture, the milk bar with the 25 cent cup of milk, cheese making demonstrations, a cheese auction, and a celebrity milk shake making contest.

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At the awards ceremony for the Dairy Day program at the New York State Fair. From left, Donald Davidsen, New York agriculture & markets commissioner; Julie Kelsey, New York dairy princess; William Underwood, president, Dairy of Distinction program; and Richard Coyne, person of distinction for the Dairy of Distinction Program.

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12th Annual Middle Creek Wildfowl Show Set

KLEINFELTERSVILLE (Lebanon Co.) — On the 12th and 13th of September, the 12th Annual Middle Creek Wildfowl Show will take place.

It will be held at the Pennsylvania Game Commission Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area Visitor's Center in Kleinfeltersville.

Bigger than ever this year, more than 100 exhibitors are to display and offer for sale hand-carved decorative and working decoys, shorebird carvings, original flat art and related collectibles. Contests, demonstrations, and silent auctions will fill the two-day agenda.

The show will run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days. Decorative and Gunning Decoy contests will

be held on Saturday at 1 p.m. The three categories for gunning decoys this year will be: Species of Makers Choice; Geese and Confidence Birds; and Shorebird Gunning Rigs.

Water dog retrieving demonstrations will be featured on Saturday at 10 a.m. and noon, and Sunday at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Young and old alike always enjoy this event, presented by the Susquehanna Hunting Retriever Club. Just follow a map to Kleinfeltersville (off Rt. 501) and from there, follow the signs for Middle Creek.

Most proceeds go to the Wildlands Trust Fund.

For the last three years, the Wildlands Trust Fund helped Middle Creek purchase an additional 2,000 acres of land

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