

“Family Ties” At Elizabethtown Fair

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Competition between siblings can take everyone a step higher, a situation which proved to be the case in the beef ring at the recent Elizabethtown fair.

Sarah and Adam put the Zurin family on the board with several wins during the competition.

Sarah's 1110-pound market steer caught judge Tom Livingston's eye and was named champion market steer in the selling division before moving on to become supreme champion of the market steers.

Sarah, 19, will be a sophomore at Grace College in Indiana, where she is studying elementary education. She fit in her fair competition after a trip to Romania, where she worked with orphans and street children.

At this fair, first time was the charm for Sarah. Although she has shown sheep for eight years, Sarah decided to try her hand at showing cattle this season.

"This is a whole new ballgame for me," said Sarah, who "always wanted to show" a steer but stayed in the sheep ring until recently.

Sarah also scored in the showmanship class, where she took home second place in the senior division. She credits her brother Adam, a three-year veteran in the beef ring, with getting her into the beef shows.

"I just wish I had more time," said Sarah, who is showing animals in her last year of 4-H participation.

Adam Zurin, 13, got champion market steer placing the non-selling division. The Zurin family farm in Mount Joy hosts 40 head of cattle plus several 4-

H sheep. Sarah and Adam are the children of Gary and Judy Zurin.

Sisters Caitlin and Courtney Wolfgang not only cornered the market on the Simmental class but Courtney took home supreme champion female in the breeding class and Caitlin won reserve champion female placing.

Courtney's "Miss Teresa" took home first in the junior yearling class before taking the supreme champion spot. Caitlin took "Miss Jalapeno" to second place in the same class. The sisters participate in the Dauphin County 4-H program.

The girls were not limited to competition in the market division, however. Courtney's showmanship talents took her to the top in the junior showmanship class while Caitlin won the peewee showmanship class.

The Hess' oldest son John, a recent graduate of Elizabethtown High School, took home not only reserve champion Hereford placing but also a first as supreme champion showman. This fall John plans to head

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Parents Judy and Gary Zurin, Mount Joy, join children Adam, 13, and Sarah, 19 in the winner's circle at Elizabethtown fair. Sarah took home supreme champion market steer honors. Adam also gathered several awards in the sheep show during the fair.



Chris, Nicole, John, Deb and John Hess, Mount Joy, took home several awards in both the showmanship and market steer classes. Parents Deb and John have run the beef ring for ten years at the Elizabethtown fair.



Caitlin, foreground, and Courtney are joined by their mother and judge Livingston. Courtney took home grand champion female in the breeding class and Caitlin won reserve champion female placing. The girls also topped their showmanship classes.

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