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Holstein Takes Supreme At All-American

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HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) - In what was called the largest show in history of the event, the aged cow grand champion of Eastern National Holstein Show became the supreme champion of the 2000 All-American Dairy Show at the Farm Show Complex Thursday.

Spreng La Highlight Kitty 2E 94, owned by Tracy and Lindsey Weiker from Republic, OH, caught the eye of the judges as the champions paraded around the large arena in search of the \$3,000 top prize that went with the honor. Kitty previously had All-American and grand champion honors at the Ohio State Fair.

The other breed grand champions in the final competition were: Ayrshire grand champion: Stathburn Desting's Rosetta, shown by John and Marla Howman, J-H-How Farm, Massilon, OH. Rosetta was the first place 4-year-old and had won grand champion honors at the Ohio State Fair, and the Ohio Spring Dairy Expo. Her daughter was junior champion at the

'99 Ohio State Fair, and the 2000 Futurity winner.

Brown Swiss grand champion: Camp Swiss Supreme Faith, shown by Richard Martin, Doug Beaty, and Mark Campbell from Ford City, was the first place aged cow. Faith was the grand champion in Wisconsin in '98 and has two excellent daughters.

Guernsey grand champion: Cedar Fringed Altann, shown by Aaron Gable, New Enterprise was the first place 4-year-old. Altann was grand champion at the Maryland State Fair and has reserve All-American honors.

Jersey grand champion: Monitour Hermitage Fame, shown by Tim Curran and Hogt Strandberg from Wapakoneta, OH was the grand champion. Fame was also reserve grand champion at the Ohio Spring Show and the Minn. State Fair. She has 26,000 pounds of milk ME.

Milking Shorthorn grand champion: Cate's Rebel Tangerine, shown by Peter Cate, Warren N.H. was the first place

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Representing the SUN Area, which include Montour, Northumberland, Union, and Snyder counties, Melinda Wolfe, center, clinches the title of Pennsylvania Dairy Princess. The multitalented young lady also gave an award-winning speech saluting her dad as her American hero and was named Miss Congeniality in addition to earning other awards during pageant festivities. First Alternate Heidi Linn Miller of Dauphin County, left, and Second Alternate Emily Kerr Cloninger of Centre County will assist Wolfe in promoting the dairy industry throughout the state. Turn to page B2 for photographs and story about the 44th annual Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Pageant and the record number of contestants who competed for the crown. Photo by Lou Ann Good

Agriculture At The Core Of Bloomsburg Fair



Bloomsburg Fair President Frederick Trump shows the award-winning display by the Boaring Creek Valley Flower Club Monday. The flower club is from Numidia and their entry is one of the hugh number of horticulture displays at the fair. Photo by Everett Newswanger, editor

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BLOOMSBURG (Columbia Co.) — Bragging rights to the title of "largest fair in the state" are hard to dispute when you see two solid lines of cars, trucks, and recreational vehicles streaming into the fairgrounds at 10:30 on Monday morning of the Bloomsburg Fair. It's Senior Citizens Day and the 200-acre facility is flowing with people in both the concession stand area and the amusement and ride section.

But the real core of this 146th annual spectacular is the agricultural exhibits that include livestock and dairy, of course, but also a huge display of horticulture, flowers, vegetables, and field crops. Home economics displays and theme displays by organizations, especially the local grange units, fill several buildings.

Frederick Trump, president, said the fair began in 1854 but was chartered in 1888 with an emphasis on agriculture that still carries into today's fair. Trump believes the fair is representative of rural America and laments the fact that agriculture has declined in both the numbers of farmers on the land and the number of farm exhibits at the fair.

"Our fair is the showcase for the technical side of agriculture," Trump said. "But it is sad in a way, because it shows the plight of agriculture. We see for example a declining number of Grange exhibits because many of the people still in agriculture are older and the new modern rural American is unable to volunteer because it takes two incomes to keep the family going. At Bloomsburg Fair, we try to preserve the tradition of agriculture as much as possible.

"The changes I have seen over the years are especially noticeable in the attitudes of the people," Trump said. "We live in a world of TV that has created a nation of complainers that can sue over anything. It is difficult for agriculture to be free of this. I grew up here in this end of Bloomsburg and we kids used the fairgrounds as a playground. But we can't do that now because of legal ramifications. This would still be a great playground for our children, but legally we can't do it."

What does President Trump see in the future of Bloomsburg (Turn to Page A42)

KILE In 44th Year At Harrisburg

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — The Keystone International Livestock Exposition (KILE) is in its 44th year here at the Farm Show Complex, Oct. 4-9.

The exposition is recognized nationally as a showcase for the nation's top beef cattle, swine, sheep and horses.

2000 has been designated "Year of the Swine," so hog exhibitors will receive special attention as part of the effort to increase public awareness of the swine industry. Eight major breeds will be shown. They are

Chester White, Berkshire, Hampshire, Duroc, Poland China, Landrace, Spotted Swine, and Yorkshire.

In the beef area, KILE has been designated as a Simmental "Progress Through Performance" Show and as the Eastern Regional Hereford Classic Show. The Limousin Cattle Show has also again been designated a "Medal of Excellence Show, Level III" and the Shorthorn Cattle Show will be the official Pennsylvania State Shorthorn Show. For the first time, an American British White

Park Cattle Show will be conducted as part of the exposition.

The state's dynamic equine industry will be on display during the 2000 show. The Draft Horse Show is a qualifying show in the North American Six Horse Hitch Classic Series, with approximately 26 of the top rated Six Horse Hitches trying to qualify for next year's national competition. The "All Breeds Classic Series Six Horse Hitch Show" will be the Saturday evening arena performance at the exposition. One of the

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