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"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." Luke:13-14



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Put online reviews into play

by Sonja Heyck-Merlin

Alison Lane, business advisor with the Maine Small Business Development Center (MSBDC), has a confession: “Up until a year ago, we only had a couple reviews on the MSBDC Bangor Office Google page because you forget about it.” Fortunately for Lane and small business owners, recruiting online reviews and responding to them is one of the easier tasks of online marketing.

Online reviews are a way for customers to connect with a wider community about their experiences with a product or service they have experienced. Online reviews are different from testimonials. A testimonial is more likely to be found on a website or in a social media post and they’re nearly always flattering. For example, a maple syrup producer may place a glowing customer testimonial with a photo of that customer on their website. An online review, on the other hand, appears on a Google business page or other social media platform. It may be a positive or a negative message.

The three most popular sites where users post reviews are Google, Facebook and Yelp, according to Lane. Others include Amazon, TripAdvisor, YellowPages and Manta. “There’s a zillion places you can go and get reviews. You absolutely do not need to be on all of these sites or even a fraction of them,” Lane said. She recommended starting with one or two, focusing on sites that customers are already using.

According to Lane, reviews add credibility to a business. “You can talk about yourself and how great you are, but seeing your customers talk about you is much more



Alison Lane

powerful,” Lane said. Reviews are also a great opportunity to interact with customers and get feedback about the business. Reviews can help increase search engine optimization and star rankings too.

It’s okay (and often necessary) to ask customers to provide online reviews; the ideal time is shortly after the customer purchases a product or service. Lane suggested using email to ask for reviews, and it’s important to make the process as easy as possible for the potential reviewer. “Making it easy often means sending them a link that’s going to direct them right to where you want them to be to leave the

review. Don’t make them search for it,” she said. She also recommended asking for no more than two reviews from one customer.

In retail spaces, signs or business cards can be used to encourage reviews, but according to Lane, these methods aren’t as effective. Google also has some free tools and graphics that business owners can use to encourage reviews.

Lane stressed that bribing for reviews, such as promising a gift card in exchange for a good review, is neither legal nor ethical. She also said to stay away from fake reviews. “The last thing you want to do is to be kicked off a review site for violating their terms of service. There are policies in place. They’ll find you if you’re getting a bunch of fake reviews or leaving a ton of reviews for yourself,” Lane said.

Once the reviews start rolling in, the next step is to respond to each one, ideally within a few days of its posting date. Both positive and negative reviews should be responded to, and in Lane’s opinion, the reply should never be longer than the review. Responding to negative reviews is also important because it’s virtually impossible to remove them from the internet.

When responding to positive reviews, Lane suggested keeping the response short, sweet and genuine. The goal is to thank the person, make the response personal and to invite them back. Reviews, generally speaking, are not a time to market to the customer but an opportunity to express gratitude to the reviewer.

When responding to a negative review, Lane said not to respond right away. “It can be really tempting because you’re

angry and the juices start flowing and you want to respond, but cool yourself down, so it’ll be easier to be professional,” she said.

In crafting a response to a negative review, Lane said to apologize only once and to try to validate and empathize with the reviewer so they know they’ve been heard. If there’s something that can be done to fix the problem, the business owner should take action to make that fix happen. She also suggested that signing a name to the response can humanize the interaction.

A negative review should only warrant one or two public responses from the business owner. “It should not become a conversation if that person replies again,” Lane said. If the negative reviewer leaves a second message, the business owner should post that all future dialogue will be private.

Responding to inaccurate reviews and comments is also important. Customers may have two businesses confused. For example, a maple syrup producer gets a review about some off-flavored maple candies, but they don’t even make maple candies. This is an opportunity to connect with the reviewer and politely and succinctly explain the situation. In the case of true spam reviews, Lane said that each platform has a different policy for removing those fake reviews.

Responding to reviews – positive or negative – is as simple as setting a time each week to complete the task. Lane reiterated, “Reviews are powerful, but sometimes we have to ask for them. You should respond to most if not all of your reviews. Be professional but also be genuine.”

Taste drives demand and profit

by Lauren Mosher, Certified Angus Beef Intern

Quality starts long before feedyard rations reach the bunk, and it weighs heavily on the bottom line. Brian Bertelsen, vice president of field operations for U.S. Premium Beef LLC (USPB), discussed marbling’s impact on grid marketing at the Certified Angus Beef (CAB) annual Feeding Quality Forum.

“Quality is not a recent trend but instead a long-term trend,” Bertelsen said. With a Choice-Select spread of \$12/cwt. in 2020 and \$18.50/cwt. in 2021 (the highest in 10 years), the numbers speak for themselves. Prime percentages keep growing, averaging 10% in recent years, but rewards on the grid are actually larger.

The industry is supplying a higher quality product with better eating satisfaction, and consumer demand drives that higher premium in the wake of increased supply. Historically,

Why marbling matters for beef demand, and how it all depends on production management at the farm

most Prime is purchased by restaurants. When supplies increase, it allows for wider retail availability.

Bertelsen elaborated that, due to the decreasing percentage of Select in the industry from 37% to 14% in just six years, the industry has pushed retailers to purchase less Select and instead buy higher quality meat. “Select may be cheaper for the grocery store, but consumers notice that taste difference,” he said.

What does that demand all come down to? Marbling.

“You can use EPDs (expected progeny differences) to build genetic potential – but then you have to manage the animal to express that,” Bertelsen said.

Specifically, producers must

carefully manage body condition scores, herd health, docility, calving season and colostrum. To tweak it even further, bull calves should be castrated early and once weaned, fed grain-based growing rations.

While the calories in corn enhance marbling, the key management component is targeting an optimal end weight or body fatness, he said. That’s where partnering with a seasoned cattle feeder becomes critical. Summarizing individual animals marketed on the USPB grid, sorted by Yield Grade, showed that as Yield Grade increases so does carcass weight, marbling and total dollars per head on the grid.

Bertelsen noted that marbling continues to influence the grid

and adds to the bottom line.

In the 2021 packer survey conducted by CAB, premiums from cattle qualifying for CAB reached \$182 million, or more than \$3 million per week paid to producers. The top reason cattle don’t qualify for the brand has always been insufficient marbling.

In search of those premiums, cattlemen may wonder if it’s possible to meet the specification on marbling by feeding cattle longer. Bertelsen said it definitely helps.

“Cattle with the most genetic potential are the ones we ought to feed longer,” Bertelsen said. “If an additional three weeks on feed is the line between achieving a higher quality grade, those



The growing availability of USDA Prime allows grocery stores to purchase more higher-quality product for their shoppers. “Select may be cheaper for the grocery store, but consumers notice that taste difference,” USPB’s Brian Bertelsen said.

Photos courtesy of Certified Angus Beef

Choosing winning traits

by Sally Colby

Sisters Shelby and Lacey Pombrio are regulars at livestock shows and neither will miss an opportunity to tell others what they love about their favorite cattle breed. But the predominantly white cattle with characteristic black or red points were not the first breed of cattle for Corbeau Creek Cattle Company in Altona, NY.

After operating a dairy farm for several generations, the Pombrio family started raising beef cattle to supplement the dairy. The new venture began when Shelby and Lacey's parents, Sheldon and Penny, purchased four commercial beef animals from an auction.

"Those were the foundation for the beef cattle herd," said Shelby. "About a year later, our mom bought three registered Black Angus heifers from Virginia over the phone. We already had the four commercial animals but Mom wanted some registered animals."

Prior to taking delivery of the three Angus heifers, the Pombrios learned that the seller had one lot of 19 unsold heifers and offered them a good deal if they agreed to purchase all of them.

The family now had 19 young Angus in addition to the three they just purchased, plus the original four. "That's how we got our foundation Angus," said Shelby. "We had no idea what we had - they were all registered and beautiful. That's when we got the bug for beef cows. We started buying all registered animals, and also bought some Red Angus along with Black Angus."

As the herd grew, the sisters' interest in beef cattle also grew. Both say they've always preferred to be outside working with cattle and never had to be convinced to stay on the farm.

As the Pombrios continued to operate the dairy farm, they purchased more beef cattle and learned more about breeding

and raising beeves. Although the family is currently milking 40 - 50 cows, they're in the process of phasing out that segment of the farm. Meanwhile, the main portion of the Corbeau Creek beef herd has grown to about 100 commercial Angus females that are bred for spring and autumn calving.

Cows calve in a large free-stall barn that has been converted for beef cows. "The barn used to be half dairy and half beef," said Shelby. "Now it's been turned into all beef. It's heavily bedded, then scraped and rebedded twice a week, and we can move gates to make pens as needed."

Weaned calves are purchased by upper Midwest buyers to be finished, which the sisters agree is the easiest way to market them.

Shelby and Lacey showed Angus cattle while growing up but found that breed wasn't always easy to handle. "We were showing Red Angus at the New York State Fair," said Lacey, explaining how the family became interested in another breed. "My mom saw the White Parks and talked with American British White Park breeder John Gempler. He made a deal that we would purchase animals and show them the following year."

Penny made the trip to Jeffersonville, NY, where Gempler showed her a group of registered American British White Park calves. "My mom saw a calf that wasn't included in the group and asked about her," said Lacey. "Her name is Gempler's Spot, and we still have her - she's 17 and she was the start of our White Park herd. The reason we have all the championships we have now is because my mom has a good eye and can pick cattle."

The sisters immediately recognized how easy it was to train young White Parks. "They're so docile," said Shelby. "We can easily halter break a calf that's



The Pombrio sisters immediately recognized how easy it was to train young White Parks. "They're so docile," said Shelby. Photo courtesy of Corbeau Creek Cattle Co.

five or six months old and never been touched. Within a weekend they're halter broken and walking like puppies."

With sufficient land and barn space, the Pombrios can maintain the commercial Angus and White Park cattle as separate herds, which aids in breeding management. The White Parks are bred by both natural cover and AI, while the commercial herd is pasture bred by their home-raised bulls. The White Park herd is checked to confirm pregnancies and due dates, which the sisters said is necessary to help with planning the show season. First calf heifers on the dairy side are often bred to a White Park bull for lower birthweight calves.

With the goal of maintaining docility and easy handling, the Pombrios won't tolerate any ill-tempered White Parks. Shelby said docility is especially important because sometimes it's three women - her, Lacey and Penny - working with them. "We can enjoy working with them without being worried about them trying to climb over a gate or hurting us," she said.

The sisters credit their dad Sheldon and his brother Mark, both life-long farmers, with providing a strong support system. "They have been farming all their lives," said Shelby. "They bought their own land to farm in the 1980s and they do all the field and crop work."

White Park cattle are cold

hardy and don't require special attention in bad weather. When supplemental feed is needed, cattle receive a ration of corn silage and hay and have access to dry hay and protein supplement. Cattle can come to the barn to eat but often prefer being outdoors where they can access natural shelter.

Every year, the Pombrios sell young White Park breeding stock, both bulls and heifers. "We try to offer as many nice calves as we can in spring," said Shelby, adding that they keep an eye on which animals to keep for the herd, offer for sale or raise as potential show animals. "We were the first in Clinton County, New York, to have White Park cattle, and now the breed is more prevalent in the area, especially on former dairy farms that are converting to raising beef cattle." The American British White Park Association of America has a breed-up program that allows cattlemen to build a registered cattle program.

Shelby said when she, Lacey and their mom first started to exhibit White Park cattle, they were the only all-female showing team. "When we started to win state and national championships, others paid attention because we came from a regular working farm," said Shelby. "Our bull Cash, a son of Spot, put the farm on the map."

Although the family attends numerous shows throughout the season, the sisters have special appreciation for one award. "One of my favorite awards is the New York Special class at the state fair," said Shelby. "We pick our best two head, and the animals have to be bred and owned. Winning that award is a gold star because we aren't buying animals just to show. It might not mean a lot to others, but to us, it's a family award. It's everything. We never thought we would win a national title or go beyond our county fair."

Sharing is caring with farm equipment

by Enrico Villamaino

In the 1990s, Sweden began to see the establishment of equipment sharing groups or "machine rings." Today there are 20 local associations with about 5,000 members - approximately 6% of all Swedish farmers. Germany has about five times that amount of equipment sharing. Canadian farmers have formed a number of machinery cooperatives. The U.S. by comparison has very few equipment sharing cohorts, but that is likely to change.

Faith Gilbert, a founder of Letterbox Farm Collective and now of the Hawthorne Valley Association, hopes that

adopting collective equipment ownership models can "chip away wherever possible at the barriers to farming well - and living well while farming."

The Hawthorne Valley Association is a nonprofit based in Ghent, NY, that recently celebrated its 50th anniversary. According to their website, the 900-acre farm's initiatives include "an early childhood through grade 12 Waldorf school; on-farm education programs; a full line of organic/natural foods and a grocery store; a Biodynamic creamery and organic bakery; a mobile grocery market; a 300-plus member organic/Biodynamic CSA; social, ecological and

cultural research groups; teacher education programs; arts initiatives; and more."

Gilbert noted there are various levels of pooling resources when it comes to farm equipment, each offering unique advantages and obligations:

- Tool Lending Networks - The simplest and most common form of sharing, tool lending networks involve simply lending each other equipment they personally own on an informal basis. Gilbert pointed to a network of NH

NYFB commends Hochul for action to limit overregulation

New York Farm Bureau President David Fisher praised Gov. Kathy Hochul on her veto to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to the protection of Class C waterways and streams (S.4162/A.6652).

“Governor Hochul made the right decision to veto an act to amend the environmental conservation law, in relation to the protection of Class C

waterways and streams. If approved, it would have significantly expanded the permits required to perform work on additional waterways, many of which only flow intermittently.

“This would include new permits on some farmland that is dry most of the year, adding both money and time to perform routine practices on agricultural soil,” Fisher stated.

“In her veto message, Gov. Hochul said while the goal is laudable, the bill would have ‘serious regulatory impacts’ and greatly increase the costs to the state and local communities. We agree with the governor and applaud her decision to limit regulatory overreach and contain costs for farms and other landowners across the state.”

Taste drives from A2

extra days will increase total value because we’re adding marbling, carcass weight and total dollars per head.”

Marbling has the biggest effect on the price per pound of a carcass on a grid, but ribeye size and backfat are the best indicators for muscling and leanness. For cow/calf producers, it’s a balance between carcass quality and maternal traits, Bertelsen said.

And that balance comes down to personal pref-

erence, genetics and the market.

“How long we feed them depends on the potential for the animal and market conditions, or premiums on the grid,” Bertelsen said. “If cattle producers are willing to change their mindset, there can be significant increases in total income through feeding to the proper endpoint and marketing on a value-based grid.”

Taking the time to fine-tune marbling potential affects the cattleman’s bottom line and consumer demand,



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he concluded. Find more Feeding

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grain and oilseed farmers.

“After one farm bought a seed cleaner and began lending it out to others, an informal group came together, with a habit of calling each other up to use the equipment,” she said. “Farms in the group then voluntarily decided to purchase additional needed equipment that they then made available to the group.”

A drawback of informal sharing networks is that they are not usually visible or open to the public, which may make them inaccessible to beginning farmers.

• Direct Co-Ownership - In direct co-ownership models, farmers

purchase tools collectively without forming a separate legal entity. “Direct co-ownership arrangements tend to come out of close relationships. As such, there’s a tendency to manage the arrangements casually,” Gilbert said.

While the direct co-ownership model can be ideal for farms connected through familial relationships, the lack of clear written agreements can also mean a lack of clear planning and understanding between users.

• Shared Equipment Business - This approach sees farmers forming an LLC, with each member farm contributing money for both membership and access to the LLC’s pool of tools

and equipment. “Members can sign out equipment... and pay per hour use fees for tractor use, per-year use fees for certain implements, etc.” Gilbert explained.

While the LLC limits the liability of those participating farmer-members, and facilitates transitioning members in and out of the organization, there are greater costs associated with setting up and maintaining the LLC as a distinct legal entity.

• Equipment Cooperatives - Like the LLC of a shared equipment business, an equipment cooperative is a type of corporation designed to be owned and governed by its members. According to Gilbert, what sets it apart from an LLC is that it “must abide by international cooperative principles, including being governed by their membership on a democratic, one-member-one-vote basis, regardless of how much capital they have invested.”

The co-op operates at cost, with any surplus after expenses returned to the members. The members can perform administrative duties, or they can hire employees. A cooperative can be open, accepting new members at any time, or closed, where the membership is defined at formation (with periodic windows for new admissions.) This model can be seen as more egalitarian, but a strong preference for individual ownership has made it less common in the U.S.

As input and equipment costs continue to rise and supply chain issues linger, considering joining or forming a farm equipment sharing network may be something to consider for 2023.

To read Gilbert’s full “A Guide to Sharing Farm Equipment,” visit north-east.sare.org/resources/a-guide-to-sharing-farm-equipment.



Faith Gilbert of the Hawthorne Valley Association outlines a number of farm equipment sharing models.

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Crop Comments

Paris Reidhead

Nitrogenous Nuisance

Last Saturday my friend Brian called me with a feeding management question. He manages a small biodynamic dairy in Columbia Co., NY. He had just gotten the milk tank sample results back from the lab; from those he learned that milk urea nitrogen (MUN) was running mg/dl. MUN is a useful tool when looking at a dairy ration and possible causes of low milk production and fertility. Urea is an indicator of the balance of the rumen system, so excessive levels of MUN (greater than 18 mg/dl) signal a red flag in a protein imbalance, a shortage of carbohydrates or poor microbial environment in the rumen. When he called me, Brian was awaiting forage test results on some

high quality, mostly alfalfa baleage.

He asked me if he should replace this baleage with some grassier hay. I said yes; that would lower the protein level and thus the MUNs, but I warned that the energy level should be adequate, meaning the hay should be early cut.

Here's what happens with excess protein in a ruminant's diet. Dr. Doo-Hong Min, Extension forage specialist at Michigan State University, explained it this way: Cows break down excess protein into ammonia. The liver converts ammonia into urea, which ultimately is voided in urine. Quoting Min directly, "Excretion of excess urea is an energy requiring process, since cows have to expend two megacalories or more of energy to excrete the excess urea through the urine. This cost is estimated to be equivalent to 0.5 kg (1.1 lbs.) of milk per unit increase in milk urea nitrogen. Excess concentrations of urea in the blood can affect milk production, reproductive efficiency, embryo survivability, immune function and the environment. It has been shown that there is a strong positive correlation between blood urea nitrogen and milk urea nitrogen."

Not all nitrogen compounds in a ruminant's system are proteins. Proteins are complex. Expressed as simply as possible, a protein consists of multiple peptides; each peptide consists of multiple amino acids. Other

simpler nitrogenous compounds are called non-protein-nitrogen (NPN), which typically include urea, biuret, ammonia and simple amino acids. In the rumen, these simpler compounds can be coupled with carbohydrates (including humanely indigestible fibers), ultimately crafted by microbes into proteins.

Following are two cases where excess NPN caused bovine nutritional train wrecks. Neither case involved human addition of urea, ammonia or any other form of synthetic nitrogen.

The first case involved a Mohawk Valley farmer named Carl. He had once of the highest Holstein herd averages in his county. As a sales rep for a national mineral company, I handled his feeding program, which consisted of conventional haylage, high moisture shelled corn (HMSC), a slice of dry hay, soy 48%, minerals and salt. Normally his haylage tested 16% protein (dry matter basis), of which 45% was soluble; haylage moisture was 60%. His HMSC tested 10% DM protein, of which 40% was soluble. The protein in the soy was about 35% soluble. The approximately five pounds of grassy hay was about 10% protein, of which 20% was soluble. Typically, Carl's cows averaged about 70 pounds of 3.5% test milk.

This feed program averaged about 17% total DM protein, of which about 40% was soluble. In cattle nutrition, we strive to keep total protein solubility under 35%. I knew we were skating on thin ice. The next year we got in trouble nutritionally (and cow health-wise). That next growing season - a really wet one - yielded haylage that still tested 16% protein. But its moisture was 65%, and its protein solubility was 55% (protein solubility tends to increase with moisture). We realized that, figuratively, we'd "gone through the ice." Three fall-fresh cows, each giving about 100 pounds of milk, went down ... and never got up. Carl told me to make the problem go away.

Here's what had gone wrong. The extreme elevation in total dietary soluble protein (now up to 45%) meant that the rumen was bombarded with huge amounts of NPN - primarily cow-made urea and ammonia - and amino acids that rapidly degraded to ammonia. The cows needed more dietary energy (like non-structured carbohydrates in corn meal or molasses), which could then be coupled with excess NPN to be made into proteins by rumen microbes.

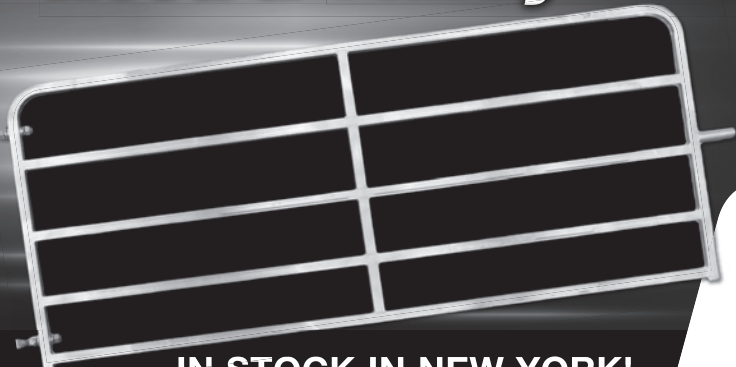
Expressed simply, the excess NPN, absent the carbs, meant more ammonia was available to escape through the rumen wall into the cow's circulatory system. The overtaxed liver couldn't convert the excess ammonia to urea and uric acid. Surplus ammonia remained in her circulatory system, elevating her serum pH to dangerously high (and fatal) levels. Ammonia is a strong base.

How did we fix this problem? I replaced about two-thirds of the soy protein with protein from distillers dried grains (DDG). DDG runs about 30% total protein, of which only about 10% is soluble. I also got him to feed a little more dry hay, as well as some bicarb. Total dietary protein solubility dropped back down to 40% - still quite a stretch from the 35% maximum we need to honor. But Carl's cow problem was gone, and he remained my customer.

Fast forward to summer 2007. Paul, in Otsego Co., wanted me to figure out why recently bred cows were "repeating." He had run out of corn silage and taken up the dietary slack with some nice hay. He was on test, so I asked him what his herd MUN readings were. His MUN score was about 22. Some dairy researchers recommend a range of 10 to 14, while others recommend a range of 10 to 12. It was safe to presume, based on the high MUN value, that Paul's cows had high blood ammonia. Elevated blood ammonia can cause embryonic mortality. I had him buy in some molasses and begin feeding two pounds of the sticky stuff per head per day. Rumen microbes coupled the new source of carbs with the excess NPN to make usable proteins. There were no more "repeats."

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The American Lamb Board (ALB) provides an assortment of tools and resources to producers including market reports, quarterly index reports and a menu trend study to implement in their operations and stay informed about the industry.

- Market Reports - ALB works with American Sheep Industry (ASI) to develop market reports that monitor conditions and trends. Reports are released on both a monthly and annual basis. They include data related to lamb imports, sheep and lamb prices and a market forecast for producers to prepare for the future. Monthly and annual reports can be found on ALB's industry website, LambResourceCenter.com.

- Index Reports - Quarterly retail sales reports are compiled using data from Information Resources Inc. (IRI), which provides consumer, shopper and retail market intelligence. These reports examine retail sales broken down by cuts and by regions and markets to present a detailed analysis of lamb sales at grocery stores. These insights can help the industry monitor market conditions and trends and can help the ALB and suppliers shape promotional programs OR improve the targeting of promotional activities. The latest report, with data through September 2022, is now available by emailing info@americanlamb.com.

- Menu Trend Study - The menu trend study delivers analysis of lamb on restaurant menus including quick

service, fast casual, midscale, casual and fine dining sectors. The study documents lamb use on menus by segment and includes menu descriptors such as dish type (entrée, appetizer, soup, salad), flavors and sauces and country of origin descriptions. This information presents the industry with trends data to develop supply strategies and opportunities. The latest menu study report, done in 2021, reflects the significant impact of COVID on menus - especially fine dining. The report is available by emailing info@americanlamb.com.

"Information drives innovation and the American lamb Checkoff continues to invest in resources to positively influence American lamb's value and help producers respond to consumer market signals," said Peter Camino, ALB chair.

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10:00am-10:30am Heidi Reed
Tar spot of corn update (Category PC, 01,18)

10:30am-11:00am Heidi Reed
Pesticide resistance management (Core)

11:00-11:30am Jeff Graybill (Core)
Understanding Pesticide Toxicity

11:30am-12:00pm Jeff Graybill
Top 10 agronomic weeds and their control (Category PC, 01,18)

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10:00am-10:30am Heidi Reed
Spill Protocol (Core)

10:30am-11:00am Sarah Frame
Insect management in soybeans: insight from a decade of scouting (Category PC, 01,18)

11:00-11:30am Andrew Frankenfield
Tip Talk-Spray Nozzle Basics (Core)

11:30am-12:00pm Andrew Frankenfield
Tar spot of corn update (Category PC, 01,18)

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Class C Stream Bill vetoed for the third time

by Troy Bishopp

ALBANY, NY - There was a big sigh of relief among rural communities that Gov. Kathy Hochul vetoed S.4162/A.6652, known by many as the Class C Stream Bill. If passed, the legislation would have added over 40,000 miles of streams to the state's regulatory system under NYS DEC jurisdiction. Clearer heads prevailed because of budgetary constraints.

The bill has history. A version of the bill in question was first introduced in 2018 by Assemblyman Sean Ryan and taken up by State Sen. Pete Harckham in 2019, 2020 and 2021 during Gov. Andrew Cuomo's administration, who also vetoed the bill. It was introduced again by Harckham and Assemblyman Steve Englebright, and was passed by the State Legislature in May 2022. Hochul had until Dec. 31 to sign the legislation into law or veto it.

The governor denied the bill's passage to amend the environmental conservation law, saying in part, "While the goal is laudable, the bill would have serious regulatory impacts and greatly increase

the costs to the state and local communities."

"I have to be cognizant that there is a budget process," Hochul said. "And when bills come to my desk when there is not a budget allocation behind them, then we are going to take it back to the process."

Waterways in New York State are categorized by their usage, which determine the type of regulations that govern activities on or near them. Currently, water bodies already designated with an AA or A (drinking water), B for "swimming areas" and CT streams (trout designation) all fall under the state's "protection of waters" regulations, which means that activities that disturb the banks or stream bed or involve dams, docks or the dumping of fill require a permit.

The addition of Class C waterways to the regulatory agency's already full workload was contentious in that "it would have significantly expanded the permits required to perform work on additional waterways, many of which only flow intermittently. This would include new permits on some farmland that is dry most of the year, adding both money and time

to perform routine practices on agricultural soil," stated New York Farm Bureau, which vigorously opposed the legislation that passed the legislature during the 2021-22 session.

Conservation and county highway officials have said that this amendment would have already taxed the DEC staff in getting permits processed, especially during weather-related events and would create a time-consuming, costly, state-level permitting process for stream-related projects involving flood repair and mitigation, bridge and culvert maintenance, farmland protection and other public works priorities.

In a statement, NYFB President David Fisher said, "NYFB agrees with the governor and applauds her decision to limit regulatory overreach and contain costs for farms and other landowners across the state. NYFB thanks everyone who sent an e-lobby message to the governor asking her to veto the bill."

On the other side: "Governor Hochul unfortunately missed a chance to protect tens of thousands of miles of headwater streams in New York," said Riverkeeper

Senior Manager of Government Affairs Jeremy Cherson. "Half of New York's streams are vulnerable to a lack of oversight from DEC's Protection of Waters Program. As we have learned time and time again, it is cheaper to protect streams proactively than restore natural resources. Riverkeeper will keep fighting to protect these waterways across the state."

Harckham (D,WF-40th District/Westchester and the Hudson Valley) tweeted on Dec. 10, "Disappointed that @GovKathyHochul vetoed legislation that would protect Class C streams statewide. More than ever, we need to safeguard fragile drinking water sources and push for climate resiliency. It's always more cost-effective to protect than remediate."

It's anyone's guess how funding would be allocated by the legislature to implement the amendment in the future. With the vigor for the state's Climate Leadership and Community Protection Act and the recent passage of the \$4.2 billion Clean Water, Clean Air and Green Jobs Environmental Bond Act, one might surmise it's just a matter of time.

Ag experts bring research, best practices and recent trends to Delhi

Cornell Cooperative Extension of Delaware County, in partnership with the Watershed Agricultural Council, will be hosting the 20th annual Catskill Regional Agriculture Conference on Jan. 12 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in Farrell Hall at the SUNY Delhi campus. After two years of hosting the conference virtually, we will back in person, but offering the conference virtually at the same time.

Join farmers from around the region for this premier agricultural event. Our top-notch speakers will be presenting timely information about dairy, livestock, vegetable and cut flower production as well as grazing management.

As in previous years, the conference will feature a local foods luncheon and keynote speaker. This year's featured speaker is Zach Spangler, Cornell agriculture climate resiliency specialist with Cornell's Harvest New York team who will be speaking on "Climate Policies and What they Mean for Us." His work supports farm-

ers' efforts to contribute to climate change mitigation, improve their ability to respond to stresses and to adapt to changing climate patterns while maintaining or improving farm viability.

Conference registration begins at 9:30 a.m., followed by two sessions at 10 a.m.: "Creating an Efficient Broiler Enterprise" and "Stand Out at Farm Stands!" - a panel discussion with local farmers.

Attendees may choose to follow a single track or mix and match sessions that are of interest. Core sessions of the conference take place at 11 a.m., 1:40 p.m. and 2:40 p.m. and include the following topics:

- Dairy & Field Crops: How is Your Milk Price Determined & Understanding That PPD; Lowering Bulk Tank Somatic Cell Count and Keeping it Low; Innovative Approaches to Terminating Winter Rye Cover Crops
- Livestock: Stocker Cattle - How It Can Work; Status of Dung Beetles in New York State; Basics of Making Breeding Selections for Your Livestock

- Grazing: Planning and Designing your Fence Project; Management Tools for Grazing Success; So You Have a Hayfield You Want to Graze

- Vegetables: Weed ID and Management Options; Introduction to Soils & Soil Health; Expand Your Offerings with Uncommon Fruits

- Flowers: Calculating Cut Flower Profitability; Considering a U-Pick Cut Flower Operation; Wedding Opportunities for the Farmer Florist

An all-day trade show of local agri-service providers offers networking opportunities between the sessions.

For more information about the sessions, speakers or the conference itself as well as to register for the event, visit ccedelaware.org. Questions can be directed to Kim Holden at 607.865.7090 ext. 241 or kmh19@cornell.edu. Pre-registration, including the luncheon, is \$35/person and is required by Jan. 6.

Farm Credit East Cares donates \$75K to Northeast charitable organizations

Farm Credit East announced the Farm Credit East Cares Community Fund donated more than \$75,000 to various charitable organizations throughout the Northeast. Since the program's 2011 inception, Farm Credit East Cares has contributed more than \$1 million to various Northeast charities and disaster relief efforts.

"Voluntary staff contributions, along with a match approved by Farm Credit East's Board of Directors, provides staff the opportunity to give to local commu-

nity initiatives of their choice," said Craig Pollock, Farm Credit East senior vice president and Farm Credit East Cares coordinator.

More than 80 Northeast organizations received funds resulting from 2022 employee contributions. Recipients included food banks and hunger relief efforts, youth and agricultural education programs such as 4-H, community and health support organizations and programs to enrich the ag community.

"Farm Credit East Cares continues to

make a meaningful impact in our local communities," said Pollock. "Initiated by our employees, I'm humbled each year by our team's generosity to support important causes that make a difference in both rural and urban communities."

The Farm Credit East Cares Community Fund was established by Farm Credit East employees who raise contributions with a Farm Credit East match. The fund's primary intent is to provide support for farm families and organizations impacted by disasters. In years without

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Adams Co. dairy producer shares how overcrowding has helped improve profitability

In the Center for Dairy Excellence's latest episode of the "Cow-Side Conversations" podcast, Dale Brown, a partner at Jobo Holstein Farm in Gettysburg, PA, shared how overcrowding has improved their profitability and overall breakeven costs. While some worry that overcrowding could hinder individual cow performance, Dale offered suggestions for making it work based on their firsthand experience and lessons learned over the years. He also discussed the benefits their team has found in working with outside consultants and participating in benchmarking groups to continually evaluate their dairy operation's costs.

Dale opened the podcast by describing the history of Jobo Holstein's family business, which includes multiple family members as partners: John J. Hess, Bonnie Hess, John Hess, Josie Riser, Joy Wideman and Dale himself. The family currently has about 1,050 cows and ships approximately 90,000 pounds of milk per day. They farm 910 acres and double crop rye grass and conventional corn silage. Dale first became involved at Jobo in 1992 when he married his wife, Jennie, and now helps manage the dairy's operations - including the milking and barn labor for mature cows, nutrition, maintenance of the milk handling equipment and more.

In 2000, the family formed the LLC entity that is in place today. At that time, they were milking 500 cows. In 2007, they built another 500-cow free-stall barn and milked about 900 cows. In 2017, they made the decision to start milking an additional 100 - 150 cows.

Now, their overall herd is 16% overcrowded in six-row barns. Dale described how they navigated diverging opinions on the practice of overcrowding and made the decision to move forward with it.

"We were struggling with profitability for many years, and it just wasn't cash flowing. So, in 2017, we did a lot of work to cut our feed costs and started milking more cows," he shared. "It was something we started doing out of necessity. Today we under-crowd our fresh cows to about 80% to 90% stocking density, so that makes us have some groups that are 20% to 25% overcrowded."

Over time, overcrowding has had a positive effect on their profitability and breakeven costs. While they had initial reservations, Dale shared how they persisted and challenged their own thought processes.

"When I was more involved with the cow-side management, I would have told you that when we got over 930 cows, we started having injuries. But if you ignore that and just push through it, the injuries will disappear. Whatever your glass ceiling is, it's probably imaginary," he said. "In the same stalls that I thought 930 cows was too much, we're now milking about 1,050 cows. Just a few costs increased, including feed per cow and utilities to cool the milk. Our labor did not increase, and all our other costs are the same. We have been profitable ever since [we started doing this] in 2017."

In addition to overall profitability, their individual milk yield has also improved since they started overcrowding. In 2017,

they achieved 75 pounds out the door per cow. Today, they are just shy of 90 pounds of milk per cow, and components per cow per day are between 6 and 6.2.

"We realized that profitability didn't have as much to do with milk yield per cow as it did with the number of cows, at least in our situation. It took the pressure off chasing milk per cow. It also changed my decision-making. I used to be afraid to do anything with nutrition that might impede their milk production, but I don't worry about that as much anymore," he added.

The biggest learning curve has been feeding the herd and managing outliers in the groups. When they first started overcrowding, Dale said they had thin cows and outliers. Once they started over-feeding the cows and feeding the groups about five to 10 pounds of weigh backs, the outliers disappeared. They currently feed the weigh backs to the heifers.

"As far as production per cow, it has only gone up. Reproduction has improved. I don't know if it's directly because of overcrowding, but once we became more profitable, we could spend more money on packing silage and on fertilizer for better yields and better quality crops. It seemed to be a domino effect into more successful aspects of our operation," Dale explained.

He said getting all the partners aligned with this practice took some time, especially those who worked most closely with the cows. It reinforced the need to keep their cows comfortable. Their team beds three times a week, grooms the stalls two days a week and stays on top of grooving on the concrete. They also utilize RFID ear tags to identify and track their livestock inventory as well as record essential health data for each animal.

"There's still some sensitivity to cow health with overcrowding, but if you look



Dale Brown

at the gross numbers, I think it works," he said. "I think the closer the partners were to the cows, it was harder for them to accept. I would be one of those as well, but it was a necessity we needed to try. Joy does the cow-side care and is most in tune with them, so she makes sure we are being careful."

Dale said the process of overcrowding has altered their approach to decision-making. They now focus on long-term trends instead of short-term observations.

"When you're evaluating the herd as you move toward overcrowding, I would be very critical over how you make your decisions. If you seem to be reading more injuries or poor post-fresh performance, just ride it out a couple months and see if it still stays that way. I think you'll be sur-

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NY ag organizations calls for action to fix unemployment insurance crisis

A coalition of nine agricultural organizations are calling on New York Gov. Kathy Hochul to rectify problems with the Unemployment Insurance Fund that are costing farms and other businesses in the state billions of dollars. The group sent a joint letter to the governor asking her to address the state's outstanding UI debt and to offset the assessment charges that amount to an additional tax on employers.

The letter reads in part, "The issues employers are facing with UI are due to pandemic policy mandates, fraudulent unemployment payments and a lack of paying down federal debt. We believe it is New York State's responsibility to

address them and not employers.

"Farmers and agricultural businesses cannot and should not bear the weight of replenishing the UI trust fund and repaying the federal government alone, and NYSDOL should be held accountable for the negligence in overseeing the state's UI system that resulted in \$11 billion of fraudulent payments. Businesses are still recovering, and this is further hindering their ongoing recovery. The state must do more to avert a further crisis and potential loss of more farms."

The coalition includes New York Farm Bureau, Empire State Forest Products Association, Hop Growers of New York, New York Apple Association, New York

State Maple Producers Association, New York State Turfgrass Association, New York State Vegetable Growers Association, Northeast Agribusiness and Feed Alliance and Northeast Dairy Producers

Association.

To read the full letter, visit nyfb.org/application/files/5616/7164/1608/UI_Sign-on.pdf.

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prised. [Try not to make] decisions based on short-term observations rather than long-term trends," he added.

Dale also described how valuable outside consultants and perspectives are to their business, including a chief financial advisor, advisory team, accountants and nutritionists. During their years of low profitability, their team was desperately looking for an outside perspective to help them make changes. Dale reflected on a consultant who challenged their decisions, brought confidence to conversations, encouraged them to consider overcrowding and empowered them not to react to cow performance and stay the course.

"I value somebody who is outspoken and good at helping us make decisions based on management changes rather than products or spending money. We've learned to look for solutions that cost the least and are easy to implement. We think about our history, where we've been and our experience," Dale shared. "We've learned how to measure the consultant's worth based on what they bring economically, what they cost,

how they suit our group and our culture. You have to understand your culture and what drives you."

To keep a continuous eye on breakeven costs, Dale and the partners are involved with peer-to-peer benchmarking groups where they compare numbers across 13 herds their size. They analyze and compare operational and financial numbers. The groups sort information by herd and by area of business, including everything from feed costs, labor, milk production and components to somatic cell count, cull rate, metabolic numbers, pregnancy rates and dry matter intakes. Dale said the benchmarking groups can also compare their costs for working with consultants.

"As we've gone through our periods of profitability, poor profitability, drought and herd health issues, you kind of forget what 'normal' looks like. But if you're looking at 13 herds twice a year, you can see the swings and listen to them talk about what they're going through," he said. "It really helps you understand that you're probably normal and it's not always going to be

that way."

To help other farmers determine if overcrowding is right for them, Dale shared how they figured out the economics and financials for their operation.

"The biggest limitation to your capacity is probably your milking facility and parlor. I'm not sure stalls are necessarily a capacity limiter," Dale added. "Figure out the concept of a marginal cow and what that means. That will help you make financial decisions much easier, including the increased cost for milking more cows or figuring out if you have the base for milking more cows. It's a really easy, accurate way to figure out those economics."

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Lee Mielke

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As reported last week, USDA left its 2022 milk production forecast unchanged in its World Agricultural Supply and Demand Estimates Report (WASDE), but raised the 2023 estimate slightly, citing higher expected cow numbers and slightly more rapid growth in output per cow.

Cheese was projected to average \$2.11/lb. in 2022, up a penny from last month's WASDE, and compares to \$1.6755 in 2021 and \$1.9236 in 2020. The 2023 cheese average was projected at \$1.995, up 2.5 cents from a month ago, but that's 11.5 cents below the projected 2022 average.

The 2022 butter price average was estimated at \$2.875/lb., up 3 cents from a month ago, and compares to \$1.7325 in 2021 and \$1.5808 in 2020.

a month ago and 30.5 cents below the anticipated 2022 average.

The dry whey average for 2022 was unchanged at 60.5 cents/lb. and the 2023 average was lowered 2 cents to 46.5 cents/lb., 14 cents below the expected 2022 average.

The 2023 Class III milk price was projected to average \$19.80/cwt., up 15 cents from last month's WASDE, but would be \$2.15 below what the 2022 average is expected to be. The 2023 Class IV price was estimated to average \$20.10, down 25 cents from last month's

estimate, and \$4.40 below the anticipated 2022 average.

This month's corn outlook is for lower exports and greater ending stocks. Exports were lowered 75 million bushels as competition from other exporters and relatively high U.S. prices have resulted in slow sales through early December. Corn ending stocks were raised 75 million bushels. The season-average corn price was lowered a dime to \$6.70/bu. Corn exports were raised for Ukraine but lowered for the U.S., Russia and the EU.

Soybean projections were unchanged from last month. Based on a review of the EPA's recent proposed rule for renewable fuel obligation targets, soybean oil used for biofuel was reduced 200 million lbs. to 11.6 billion. Soybean oil exports were also reduced. With those reductions, food use and ending stocks were raised. The season-average soybean price forecast was unchanged at \$14/bu. Soybean oil was reduced a penny per pound to 68 cents, and the soybean meal price forecast was increased \$10 to \$410/

short ton.

This week's Livestock, Dairy and Poultry Outlook reported that October alfalfa hay averaged \$281/short ton, \$4 higher than September and \$62 above October 2021. The five-state weighted average price for premium alfalfa hay was \$348/short ton, \$6 higher than September and \$94 higher than October 2021.

The Outlook reflected milk price and production projections in the Dec. 9 WASDE and reported that "dairy cow slaughter has

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been active and in line with 2021 for the past couple of weeks.”

The Outlook stated that the National

Restaurant Association reported restaurant activity from January - October was below 2021 levels. “Nevertheless, the

restaurant performance index has been above 100 points, showing an expansion that may boost domestic use for dairy products for the rest of 2022 and 2023.”

Things are looking a little better for consumers. The Consumer Price Index fell for a second month, from 7.7% to 7.1%. Core inflation fell in November from 6.3% to 6%, which is the best reading on inflation since December 2021, according to StoneX, but with one sticking point: Rents were up 7.1% year-over-year and accounted for almost half the total increase in Core Inflation.

Meanwhile, the Federal Reserve raised its interest rate a half-point this week, which was slightly less than previous raises; however, the rate is at the highest level in 15 years.

Dairy product consumption in October was a “mixed bag,” according to High-Ground Dairy’s Lucas Fuess in the Dec. 19 Dairy Radio Now broadcast.

Cheese disappearance totaled 1.22 billion lbs., up 2.4% from October 2021, third month in a row to top that of a year ago, though the gain weakened slightly from September’s growth. Year-to-date consumption was up 2.1%. U.S. cheese exports, at 81.4 million lbs., were up 4.5%.

Butter disappearance totaled 199.9 million lbs., down 8% from a year ago, pulled lower by an 11.3% drop in domestic consumption, though exports were up 61.9%, the strongest of any month since 2014. October was the third consecutive month total butter utilization was below

a year ago, however, and HGD pointed out it was the lowest October utilization since 2017.

Nonfat dry milk-skim milk powder disappearance amounted to 208.5 million lbs., down 12.8%. Domestic usage was down 49.4% while exports were up 10.6%, first YoY gain since November 2021, according to HGD.

Dry whey utilization totaled 76.3 million lbs., down 4.5% from a year ago, though, like nonfat dry milk, exports were strong, up 20% from a year ago, as Chinese demand for dry whey has returned.

The demand picture in next month’s report will be interesting, Fuess concluded, as U.S. milk production growth will not bow well for milk price increases in 2023.

The Dec. 13 Global Dairy Trade Pulse, auction number 11, saw 2.1 million lbs. of Fonterra whole milk powder sold, down 38 million lbs. from the last Pulse and down 0.3% or \$10/metric ton from the Dec. 6 GDT event.

HGD said, “Buyers are still finding value at this current price point following the slight strength that materialized at last week’s main GDT auction.”

Eyes will be on CME powder in the coming days after Fonterra increased its forecast total offer quantity for skim milk powder for the next 12 months by 21.2 million lbs. between January and April. The upcoming event offering was increased by almost 816,000 lbs.

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Cooperatives Working Together (CWT) member co-ops accepted two offers of export assistance this week that helped capture sales contracts for 1.2 million lbs. of American-type cheese. The product is going to customers in Central America and Oceania from January - May 2023.

CWT-assisted exports to date total 93.3 million lbs. of American-type cheeses, 657,000 lbs. of butter, 30.7 million lbs. of whole milk powder and 8.8 million lbs. of cream cheese. The products are going to 21 countries and are the equivalent of 1.168 billion lbs. of milk on a milkfat

basis.

More details were announced Dec. 12 on the USDA's solicitation of the Special Supplemental Nutrition program for WIC. A total of 8.56 million lbs. of natural cheddar was awarded to three different vendors, with delivery between March and September 2023 or about a 1.22 million lb. average per month. No processed cheese or fluid milk was awarded.

HighGround Dairy said, "USDA awarded far more than the 2.1 million pounds of natural and processed cheese in the original solicitation, but with just 1.22 million pounds per month, it equates

to about 30 truckloads per month. The bigger news was that the fluid milk solicitation was canceled, meaning USDA will focus its efforts on their normal fluid purchasing programs for the upcoming year ... This news should have little impact on the current trend of the market, though it may create disruptions depending on USDA's order patterns."

Mid-December cheese prices headed sharply lower and butter oscillated, as traders awaited the November Milk Production report on Dec. 19.

The cheddar blocks plunged to \$1.9775/lb. Friday, lowest since Nov. 1, down 11.75 cents on the week but still 9 cents above a year ago. The barrels saw their Friday finish at \$1.74, 21 cents lower on the week, lowest since Jan. 27, 11 cents above a year ago and 23.75 cents below the blocks. CME sales for the week included four carloads of block and seven of barrel.

StoneX said, "Buyers are just not banging down doors looking for fresh loads of cheese here in mid-December. And then we have the appearance of a well-supplied barrel market."

Spot butter started the week falling 11.25 cents to \$2.70/lb., lowest since Nov. 3, but then reversed direction and ended Friday at \$2.855, up 4.25 cents on the week and 76.25 cents above a year ago, putting 23 sales on the board.

Butter producers report slowing demand as retail customers have their holiday ordering met. Foodservice de-

mand has also seasonally slowed, said DMN, "particularly as butter prices remain above where some were expecting them to be this late in the year." Cream availability is mixed. Some plants are full and not entertaining spot offers while others say cream availability is steady with previous weeks. Churning remains very busy and plant managers expect to churn as much butter as possible despite the holidays.

Grade A nonfat dry milk fell to \$1.34/lb. Wednesday, lowest since Sept. 16, 2021, but closed Friday at \$1.35, down 1.5 cents on the week and 32.75 cents below a year ago, with 14 sales reported.

Dry whey closed the week at 45.5 cents/lb., 2 cents higher, but 27.5 cents below a year ago, with four loads exchanging hands at the CME.

DMN said, "Online sources say August milk production in Ukraine was approximately 711,000 tons, compared to 845,000 in August 2021. The Russian invasion of Ukraine has disrupted normal dairy business activities and the recent missile attacks left numerous processing facilities without power.

"The Ukrainian agricultural ministry, as of December 1, reported that the 2022 Ukraine grain harvest is approximately 85% complete for a total of 41.9 million tons. Ukraine has been able to export 17.2 million tons of grain so far in the 2022/23 grain season, down 31.9% from a year ago."

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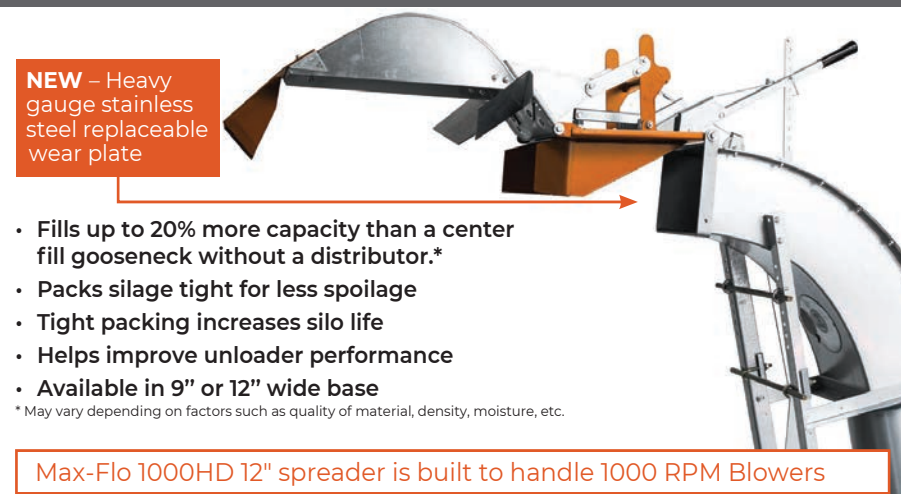
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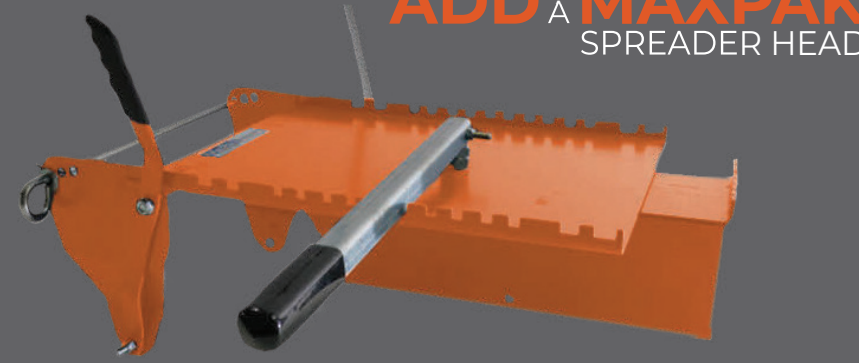
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The survey results show the following top commodity

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In a continuation of this effort, and in response to the high demand for milk storage and handling upgrades in previous funding rounds, the NE-DBIC is announcing a supplemental Organic On-Farm Milk Storage & Handling Grant.

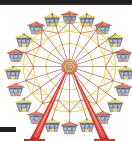
This grant will fund the purchase of specialized equipment to help streamline milk pick-up, increase efficiencies around milk storage and improve handling for both farmers and their processors. Open to all organic dairy farmers, those who lost contracts will be prioritized to help them successfully transition to new buyers.

Awards will range from \$10,000 - \$50,000 with a 25% cash/in-kind match encouraged. Total funds available equal \$450,000.

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NYFB statement on Climate Action Council Plan

On Dec. 19, New York Farm Bureau President David Fisher said, "New York Farm Bureau is reviewing the Climate Action Council's plan to meet lofty goals for zero emissions in the state. At first glance, the report recognizes important strides New York's farmers and foresters have made to reduce emissions, increase efficiencies and sequester carbon. We have long believed that agriculture is part of the solution to mitigate climate change. An incentive-based approach for farms that invests in research, new technologies and education will be key for farmer adoption and the plan's success."

"However, major concerns remain including the push for electric, zero-emission agricultural vehicles when the

technology does not exist for such equipment. The future commercial viability of the equipment must also be affordable and accessible for the state's farmers. There must also be a power grid in every region of the state that can handle the electrical demand that the Climate Action Council is seeking today. New York Farm Bureau also supports renewable natural gas and biofuels as part of any climate smart plan.

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2012 Kuhn Knight RC270 Mixer Wagon	\$22,500	
Kuhn Knight RC270 Mixer Wagon	\$17,500	
Kuhn Knight 3142 Mixer Wagon	\$9,000	
Knight 3036 Mixer Wagon	\$4,500	
Knight 3250 Mixer Wagon	\$3,750	
Manure Spreaders		
Knight 8018 V-Tank Spreader	\$5,750	
2009 Krone Big M II CV 30' Self Propelled Disc Mower <td>\$115,000</td>		\$115,000
2022 Case IH RB455 Baler "NEW" Silage Special, HD Density System, Net Only, Endless Belts, Moisture	\$59,850	
2022 Krone SW710T "NEW" 71M Rake, Hyd. Swath Curtain Adjust	Call	
2022 Case IH RB455A Baler "NEW" Utility Pkg, 31x13.50 Tires, Deluxe Twine/Net, Gathering Wheels	\$41,500	
2022 Case IH SB541 Square Baler "NEW" Hydroformatic Tension, Clevis Hitch, Kicker Available	\$37,900	
2019 Krone V1800MC 4x6, Auto Tie, Auto Wrap, 2100 Bales	\$37,500	
2022 Case IH DC103 Mower 540 RPM, Hydraulic Header Tilt, Flail Conditioning, Adjustable Skids	\$36,900	
2021 Krone EC 3201 CV "NEW" 3.2M Mower w/V-Tine Conditioning	\$32,550	
2021 Krone EC 2801 CV "NEW" 2.8M Mower w/V-Tine Conditioning	\$32,480	
2017 Kuhn VB2260 4x4, 14 Knife Cutter, Auto Lube, Auto Tie, Auto Wrap	Call	
JD 131 & 388 Butterfly Mower w/Finger Conditioning	\$22,400	
2022 Krone SW46T "NEW" 4.6M Rake	\$21,440	
2014 Krone Belima 125 Round Baler	\$17,500	
2007 NH 1432 Mower Conditioner	\$15,500	
2022 Krone AMR240 "NEW" 540 PTO, Quick Change Blades	\$15,430	
2011 Kuhn FC353GC Center Pivot Disc Mower	\$14,900	
2022 Krone SW42T Rake "NEW" 4.2M Rake w/Folding Tine Arms	\$13,920	
2011 Case IH RB455A 4x6 Auto Wrap & Twine, 3300 Bales	\$13,900	
2008 JD 946 Center Pivot Disc Mower	\$12,500	
2022 Krone KW5.52T "NEW" Traded Tedder	\$12,090	
2022 Krone SW38T "NEW" 3.8M Rake w/Folding Tine Arms	\$11,350	
2008 Case IH DCX101 Disc Mower Conditioner	\$9,900	
2005 NH 1431 Mower Conditioner	\$9,900	
2022 Kuhn SR112GII "NEW" 12 wheel speed rake	\$9,625	
2007 Kuhn GF7802THA 6 Star Tedder	\$8,900	
Richardson 750 High Dump Forage Wagon	\$8,750	
Richardson 750 High Dump Forage Wagon	\$8,500	
1998 NH 1431 Mower Conditioner	\$8,500	
1992 Hesston 4550 Square Baler, 300,000 Bales	\$6,900	
Kuhn GA3200GT Single Rotor Rake	\$4,500	
Tillage & Planting		
White 8106 6 Row Planter, Dry Fert, 30" Spacing	\$27,000	
Sunflower 6220-18 Disc	\$14,000	
JD 1770 12 Row Dry Fert, 2 pt Hitch, Fert Cross Auger	\$13,200	
JD 637 Disc Harrow, 16.5" Width	\$9,900	
2010 Athens 77 Disc Harrow	\$9,500	
Case IH 4200 Disc Harrow	\$7,900	
Salford 42077 x 18" Plows	\$5,900	
Unverferth 1225 Disc Harrow	\$5,250	
2001 Underferth Rolling Harrow II	\$4,500	
JD 7000 6 Row Planter	\$4,500	
IH 475 Disc Harrow	\$4,400	
White 449 8 Bottom On Land Plow	\$3,000	
Kongsilde 4 Bottom Moldboard Plow	\$1,600	

PA State Dairy Princess Team receives media training

Pennsylvania Dairy Princess Selina Horst and Alternates Natalie Grumbine and Darcy Heltzel will represent the state's dairy farmers through face-to-face consumer events and media interviews at the PA Farm Show Jan. 5 - 14.

To help the young promoters prepare to share the good news about dairy products, dairy farmers and dairy farms, American Dairy Association North East recently offered a professional media training session.

The team learn the importance of using consumer-tested key messages, provided by dairy Checkoff, to help better communicate with consumers. They also received practical suggestions on how to look and sound their best during TV, radio and print interviews.

"Confidently delivering the message you want the media to know, rather than being tied to the questions they ask, is a skill that can be learned and developed," said Keith Kobland, a Syracuse-based media trainer. "I was very impressed with these young women and know they

will do an excellent job helping bridge the gap between dairy farmers and consumers."

"We are proud to support the Pennsylvania dairy princess program through direct monetary sponsorship and by providing materials, experiences and training opportunities," said ADA North East CEO John Chrisman. "We know this group of young advocates will do a tremendous job building connections between our dairy farmers and consumers, during the Farm Show and beyond."

The PA state team will be on site for several ADA North East-hosted activities during the PA Farm Show, including the unveiling of the annual butter sculpture, a press event for the Fill a Glass with Hope® campaign and the Undeniably Dairy Shake-Off celebrity milkshake contest. They can also be found at their booth located next to the popular Calving Corner exhibit.

For more information, contact ADA North East at 315.472.9143.



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Farm Aid distributes nearly \$1.2 million in 2022 grants

On the heels of a successful festival this past September, Farm Aid announced that it distributed nearly \$1.2 million in grant funding in 2022. Farm Aid prioritized grant proposals from organizations that facilitate farmer-led solutions to climate change - which was the focus of the annual Farm Aid festival - as well as organizations that support family farmers, advance racial equity and social justice and build power for systemic change in our farm and food system.

"Thanks to the continued generosity of supporters from across the country, today Farm Aid is able to send critical funds to hardworking organizations who share Farm Aid's mission," said Farm Aid President Willie Nelson. "The real power of Farm Aid's grants is in the network of changemakers they knit together, in cities and rural areas across this country, who are working to build an equitable and sustainable farm and food system for us all."

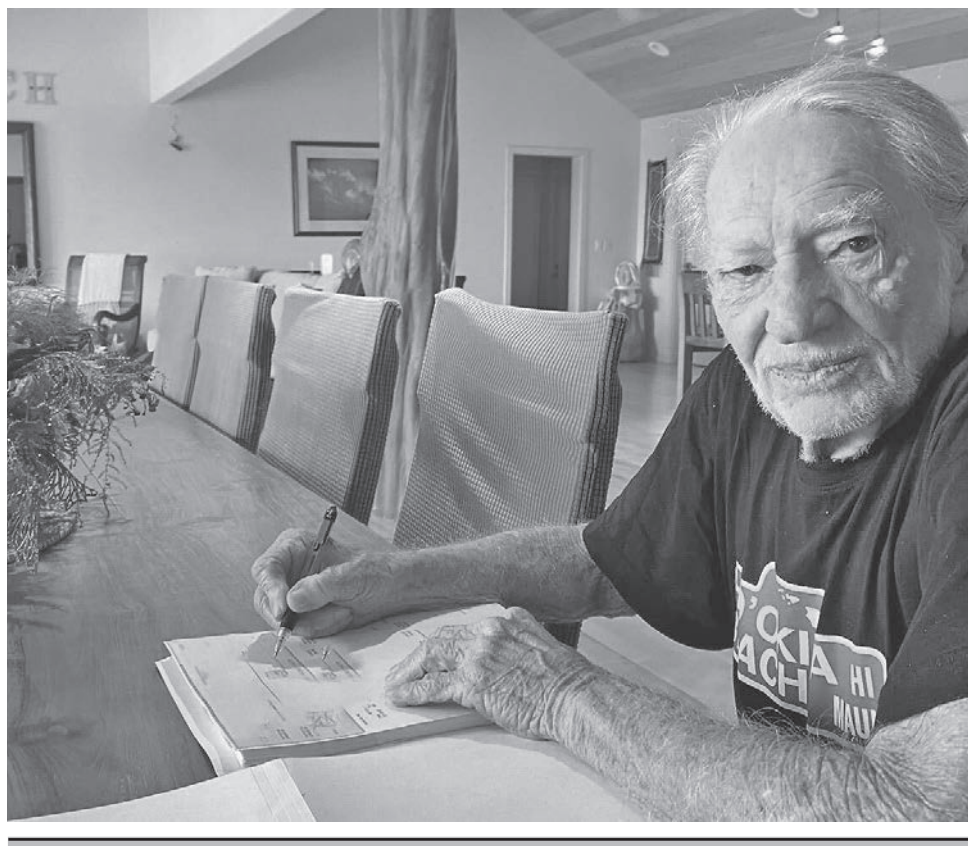
In December, Farm Aid made grants in the amount of \$1,014,000 to 88 family farm, rural service and urban ag organizations. Farm Aid granted an additional \$173,100 through various grantmaking programs, including emergency, leadership, disaster and strategic grants. The

grand total of Farm Aid grantmaking in 2022 is \$1,187,100.

Farm families impacted by record historic flooding in Kentucky and a destructive hurricane in Puerto Rico received \$40,000 in assistance. A \$12,000 grant to Maine Organic Farmers and Growers Association (MOFGA) helped them administer emergency funding to farms as a replacement for lost business income due to contamination of their soil and water by widely used, long-lasting chemicals called PFAs. Strategic grants totaling \$67,000 enabled long-term Farm Aid partners to address pressing needs or take advantage of unique opportunities to advance family farm agriculture.

Emergency grants totaling more than \$42,500 were made to date in 2022 to farm families to cover essential household expenses. These \$500 grants are recommended on a case-by-case basis by Farm Aid hotline managers who operate the 1.800.FARM.AID hotline and connect farmers with helpful services, resources and opportunities specific to their individual needs. Finally, \$11,600 supported farmer participation in leadership trainings, policy advocacy and other gatherings where their perspectives and

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Farm Aid President Willie Nelson.

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2017 NHT7.290 4wd, Cab, CVT, Super Singles, Front 3PT./PTO - 7 Hrs	\$229,750
2018 NH T5.110 4wd, Cab, 40KPH, 24x24 Power Shuttle, 540/10000, PTO, Ind. Tires, Front 3pt. - 475 Hrs	\$72,500
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2020 NH Powerstar 120 12x12 Power Shuttle, 4wd, Cab, 540/10000 PTO, NSL Loader, 1010 Hrs	\$67,500
2021 NH Workmaster 70, 4wd, ROPS, 12x12 Power Shuttle, 621TL Ldr. w/72" SSL Bucket - 856 Hrs.	\$35,900
2021 NH Workmaster 70 4wd, ROPS, 12x12 Power Shuttle, 621TL Ldr. w/72" SSL Bucket - 465 Hrs.	\$36,900
2021 Mahindra 2660 4wd, Cab w/HVAC, HST, Loader w/3rd Function, R4 Tires - 115 Hrs	\$47,950
2022 NH Workmaster 75 4wd, ROPS, 12x12 Power Shuttle, Loader W/72" SSL Bucket - 226 Hrs	\$43,500
2022 NH Workmaster 25 4wd, HST, ROPS, Loader & Backhoe R4 Tires, Demo w/17 Hrs. & Warranty	\$31,500
AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT	
2009 NH BC5070 Baler, Hyd. Tension, 72 Thrower	\$17,950
2012 NH MC512F/MC530F Front/Rear Triple Mower w/Flail Conditioning	\$34,900
2015 NH Rollbelt 450 Silage Special 4x5 Round Baler w/ Crop Cutter, Endless Belts, Twin/Net	\$29,500
2016 Dion XL 16' Self Unloading Wagon on Tandem Gear	\$19,500
2016 Dion XLT 18' Self Unloading Wagon on Tandem Gear	\$21,500
2016 Ventrac HB580 58" Broom	\$3,400
2018 NH DB310F Center Pivot 10' Discbine, Drawbar Swivel, Flail Conditioning, 1000 PTO	\$24,500
2018 NH RF450s, Super Feed, 4x5 Fixed Chamber Round Baler, Twin Net Wrap, Low Use	\$24,900
2018 DB312 Center Pivot Discbine, 2Pt. Swivel, 1000 PTO, New Cutterbar	\$26,500
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2021 Great Plains NT706, w/Small Seed Box, No Till Drill	\$29,500
2021 NH 512RF/533 Mega Cutter Triple Mower w/Rubber Roll Conditioning, New Left Over	\$114,900
2021 H & S RTG 6 Star Hyd. Fold Tedder	\$13,900
2021 NH RF440U 4x4 Fixed Chamber Round Baler - New Left Over	\$27,750
CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT	
2014 NH C238 CTL Cab w/HVAC, High Flow, Hyd. Coupler, 2 Speed Pilot Controls - 790 Hrs	\$54,600
2017 Doosan DX140LCR-5 Cab w/HVAC, Hyd. Thumb, Coupler w/30" Bucket, Steel Tracks 2250 Hrs	\$119,500
2019 Doosan DX170LC-5 Excavator, Hyd. Thumb, Coupler w/30" Bucket, Steel Tracks - 975 Hrs.	\$154,000
2020 NH C232 CTL Cab w/HVAC, High Flow, Hyd. Cplr, 2 Speed Pilot Controls - 560 Hrs	\$63,950
2020 Case TR270 CTL Cab w/HVAC, Hyd. Cplr, High Flow Hyd., 78" HD Bucket w/Teeth-Only 115 Hrs	\$59,950
2022 NH W50C-TC Wheel Loader, Cab w/HVAC, SSL Plate/.92Yd. Bucket - Demo - 30 Hrs	\$79,500
ATTACHMENTS	
2008 FFC 78" Standard Flow SSL Snow Blower - Very Little Use	\$6,500
2017 Okada ORV1300 Hydraulic Breaker w/Doosan DX85R Mount, Very Little Use	\$6,500
2017 Paladin SFB500 SSL Hammer	\$8,975
2019 Cotech E130713HOT 7'-12' Snow Pusher w/Sub Frame	\$6,500
2022 NH/McMillan XC1975 SSL Hyd. Auger Drive w/9" Auger	\$4,495

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2022 Census of Agriculture underway

Recently, the USDA mailed the 2022 Census of Agriculture paper questionnaires to all known ag producers across the nation. Last month, producers in the states received their survey codes with an invitation to respond online. Any producer who did not respond online now has the option to complete the ag census at agcounts.usda.gov or by mail. Producers who have already responded to the 2022 Ag Census online do not need to respond again. The deadline for response is Feb. 6, 2023.

The Census of Agriculture remains the nation's only comprehensive and impartial agriculture data gatherer for every state, county and U.S. territory.

Farm operations of all sizes, urban and rural, which produced and sold, or normally would have sold, \$1,000 or more of agricultural products in 2022, are included in the ag census. The data inform decisions about policy, programs, rural development, research and more. The Ag Census is the producer's voice in the future of American agriculture.

Responding to the Census of Agriculture is required by law under Title 7 USC 2204(g) Public Law 105-113. The same law requires NASS to keep all information confidential, to use the data only for statistical purposes and only publish in aggregate form to prevent disclosing the identity of any individual producer

or farm operation. NASS will release the results of the ag census in 2024.

To learn more about the Census of Agriculture, visit nass.usda.gov/agcensus.



Farm Aid from A19

knowledge are essential to tackle some of our nation's biggest farm and food challenges.

In 2022, Farm Aid's grants to farm, rural and food organizations supported work to:

Grow the Good Food Movement: Efforts that build local and regional food systems and connect family farmers directly with consumers.

Help farmers thrive: Programs that provide family farmers with support and resources to start farming, transition to more sustainable farming practices and/or continue farming in the face of financial crises and natural disasters.

Take action to change the system: Work that promotes fair farm policies and organizes grassroots campaigns to defend and bolster family farm agriculture on a local, regional or national level.

In the Southeast, where the organization convened its annual music and food festival in September, Farm Aid invested \$217,000 in 15 programs across six states that met this year's priorities, including Appalachian Sustainable Development, Duffield, VA; Carolina Farm Stewardship Association (CFSA), Pittsboro, NC; Local Food Hub, Charlottesville, VA; North Carolina Association of Black Lawyers Land Loss Prevention Project,

Durham, NC; Operation Spring Plant, Oxford, NC; the Veteran's Farm of NC Inc., Cameron, NC; Transplanting Traditions Community Farm, Chapel Hill, NC; and RAFI-USA, Pittsboro, NC.

Farm Aid's grantmaking is one aspect of its work to keep family farmers on the land, growing good food for all. Other work throughout the year includes efforts to increase demand for family farm food; to bring farmers, advocates and activists together to build capacity for family farmers to grow change in our farm and food system; to advocate for policies that serve farmers and eaters and protect our natural resources; and to invite everyone to participate in a thriving family farm system of agriculture.

For a complete listing of Farm Aid's 2022 grant recipients, visit farmaid.org/2022grants.

Farm Aid welcomes donations at www.farmaid.org/donate.

For updates throughout the year, follow Farm Aid on Twitter (@FarmAid), Facebook (facebook.com/FarmAid), Instagram (@FarmAid) and visit farmaid.org/festival.

Farm Aid's mission is to build a vibrant, family farm-centered system of agriculture in America. Farm Aid artists and board members Willie Nelson, Neil Young, John Mellencamp, Dave Matthews and Margo Price host an annual festival to raise funds to support Farm Aid's work with family farmers and to inspire people to choose family farm food. For more than 35 years, Farm Aid, with the support of the artists who contribute their performances each year, has raised more than \$64 million to support programs that help farmers thrive, expand the reach of the Good Food Movement, take action to change the dominant system of industrial agriculture and promote food from family farms.

Calendar of events

NOTE: Calendar items must be submitted by Tuesday prior to the publication date to be included in the Calendar of Events. Entries may be emailed to cfeditor@leepub.com

December 20

New York State Soil and Water Conservation Committee meeting 10 a.m. in the Orchard Room at 10B Airline Drive, Albany. Alternate in-person locations are offered statewide in Syracuse, Watertown and Fultonville. An option to join the meeting online is available at tinyurl.com/4cbpwznd

January 6

Oneida County Crop Congress at Whites Farm Supply, 962 State Route 12, Waterville. Registration required by Dec. 30. To register call Chris, Norm or Vicki at 315.841.4181.

January 10-12

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January 11

"H-2B: Navigating the Maze" webinar 10-11:30 a.m. Visit FarmCreditEast.com/Webinars to register or contact Chris Laughton at 800.562.2235 or Chris.Laughton@farmcrediteast.com for more information.

January 11-13

Soybean Leadership Academy. Contact American Soybean Association at 314.576.1770.

January 17

Dairy Day 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Register at tinyurl.com/2p8khpty or contact Tatum Langworthy at tlm92@cornell.edu or 315.788.8450 ext. 222.

January 18-21

ASI Annual Convention Fort Worth, Texas. Visit rebrand.ly/ASI2023

January 25

Jefferson County 4-H Dairy Bowl series 6-7 p.m. at CCE of Jefferson County, 203 N. Hamilton St., Watertown, NY. Practices are Wednesdays through March 1. Register at tinyurl.com/yfdyk8ua or contact Abigail Jantzi at aej48@cornell.edu or 315.788.8450 ext. 278.

February 1-3

2023 Cattle Industry Convention & NCBA Trade Show The Cattle Industry Convention & NCBA Trade Show is agriculture's premier event where the industry comes together to get down to business for the cattle industry. New Orleans, LA Visit convention.ncba.org for more information.

February 8 and 9

2023 Pennsylvania Dairy Sum-

mit To kick off the conference on Feb. 7 at 5 p.m., the Young Dairy Professionals Reception (ages 18-25) will be held at the Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center State College, PA. Visit www.padairysummit.org. Contact Michelle Shearer at mshearer@centerfordairyexcellence.org or call 570.768.8316 with questions.

February 28- March 2

ASA Board of Directors Meeting Contact American Soybean Association at 314.576.1770.

March 9-11

Commodity Classic Contact American Soybean Association at 314.576.1770.

March 16

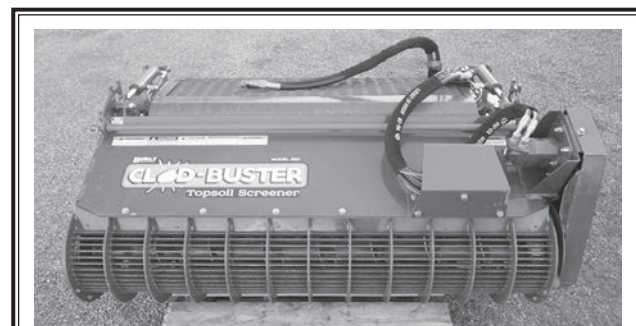
New Jersey Equine Summit Contact esc@njaes.rutgers.edu for more information.

March 18 and 19

WNY EquiFest 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. both days at Erie County Fairgrounds, just off NYS Thruway (I-90) off exit 56. For more information, visit www.The-Fairgrounds.com.

April 29

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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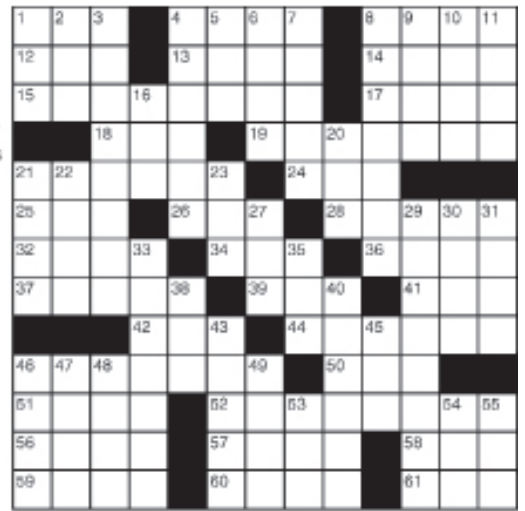
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- 4 Reindeer herder
- 8 Persian leader
- 12 Hit CBS series
- 13 Vicinity
- 14 Roof overhang
- 15 Like some salad dressings
- 17 Frat letters
- 18 Duo
- 19 Sikhs' headwear
- 21 Enjoy, as fine food
- 24 Luau bowlful
- 25 Guitar's kin
- 26 Yule quaff
- 28 Desert flora
- 32 Simple
- 34 Drench
- 36 Lunch hour
- 37 Pesto herb
- 39 Super Bowl VIP
- 41 P followers
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- 52 "Deathtrap" playwright
- 56 Impetuous
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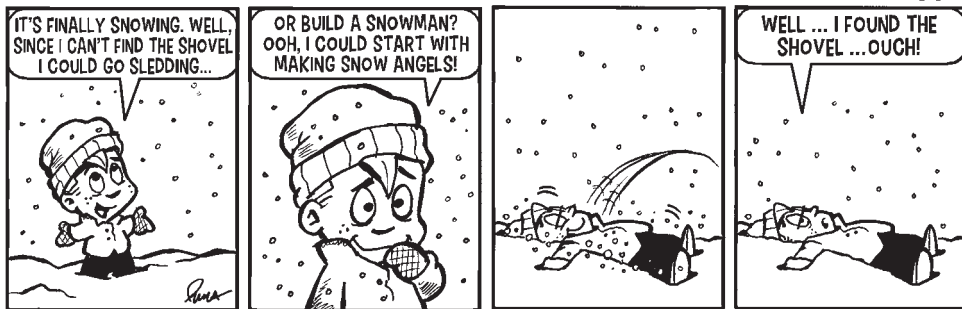
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- 59 BPOE members
- 60 Beloved
- 61 Fanatic
- 9 "Funny!"
- 10 Bard's river
- 11 Big name in oil
- 16 Farm female
- 20 Sinbad's bird
- 21 — luck (accidental success)
- 22 Furniture brand
- 23 At once
- 27 Jewel
- 29 French chicken dish
- 30 Undecided
- 31 "Meet Me — Louis"
- 33 Pizza slices,
- often
- 35 Sports bar sets
- 38 Asian language
- 40 Wan quality
- 43 Screen Actors —
- 45 Compete
- 46 Existed
- 47 Slanted type (Abbr.)
- 48 Chore
- 49 Sloth's home
- 53 Khan title
- 54 Post-op area
- 55 Little louse

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Wishing you all a happy and prosperous 2023!

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



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BY HENRY BOLTHOFF



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Differences: 1. Poster is missing. 2. Fence is missing. 3. Arm is missing. 4. Skateboard is missing. 5. Picket is missing. 6. Carriage is missing.

There are 200 questions on a three-hour test. Fifty questions are math problems. Test guidelines suggest that twice as much time should be spent on each math problem as on each of the other questions.

How many minutes should be spent on math problems?

- A) 36
- B) 72
- C) 60
- D) 100

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Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

- Athletic: EIGAL
- Portion: HEARS
- Frail: RENTED
- Turned: WEAKS

TODAY'S WORD

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"It all started when she found an empty in the closet this morning!"

Why ferals are our friends

Although not as commonly seen in rural regions as they are in more urban areas, feral cats – those that are most definitely not house pets – serve important roles. These wandering felines are often great mousers and keep the pest population down. A “barn cat” might be considered feral, and that’s



okay!

With winter here, consider taking a little time to make sure our outdoor kitties can make it through the season safely. Alley Cat Allies offers these tips:

- Provide extra food and water to help cats stay warm.

If you do provide some food for feral cats, increasing their food portions during winter helps them conserve energy. Be sure not to allow food and water to freeze.

Providing dry food, which will not freeze, works for frigid temperatures. Use bowls that are deep rather than wide and place them in sunny areas to keep water from freezing. Don’t use metal bowls.

If there’s a water source like a spigot, run the water slightly because it won’t freeze as fast

still water.

- Prepare ahead of time for inclement weather.

If a snowstorm is forecast, be sure your community cats have enough food and water to last more than a day. If you can, take time to clear snow away from areas cats frequent, especially around the cats’ shelters and feeding stations.

- Build a cat shelter.

Cats can find their own shelter, but you can provide additional options where they can sleep, relax, warm up and stay safe. If they don’t have access to a barn, shed or garage, building your own outdoor cat shelter can be easy.

Shelters don’t need to be big or complicated. A good size shelter should be two feet by three feet and at least 18 inches high and

able to accommodate three to five cats. If you know only a few cats use the shelter, make it even smaller.

The doorway should only be big enough for cats. Putting a door flap over the entryway also keeps out cold air and potential predators. Make sure the entryway is several inches above ground level to keep out rain and snow.

Insulate the shelter with straw to repel moisture. Don’t use hay, blankets or towels, as they soak up moisture and make the shelter wet and cold.

Check outdoor cat shelters regularly – especially the entrances when there is significant snowfall to ensure the cats don’t get snowed in.

- Human prevention for cat protection.

Be sure to always check your car before driving. Look under the hood of your car. Animals, including cats and kittens, sometimes climb up underneath cars

or inside engines to seek warmth. Check between your tires and wheel wells too.

Don’t use antifreeze, salt or chemicals in an area accessible to cats. Do not store antifreeze in areas easily accessible by cats and refrain from using salt and chemicals to melt snow. These substances can be harmful and even deadly when licked off of paws or fur. Animal-friendly deicers are available at most pet stores, and you can also consider setting down sand or gravel to provide traction instead.

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Life is better with pierogies

by Troy Bishopp

I’ve always enjoyed a hearty pierogi but recently learned a single serving is just a “pierog” – to which my wife of Polish ancestry laughed, “When do ya ever eat just one anyway?” Touché!

It seems quite fitting to celebrate pierogis going into late autumn since many of the local ingredients are in bins or bags and one is in need of a hearty entrée after splitting wood or hunting whitetail. Originally, pierogis were considered peasant food for rural people, but they’ve been elevated to rock star status, as chefs and restaurants around the world tinker with the time-honored recipes.

According to frozen pierogi manufacturer Mrs. T’s, “Pierogi consumption in the United States is largely concentrated in a geographical region dubbed the ‘Pierogi Pocket,’ an area including New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Chicago, Detroit, parts of the northern Midwest and southern New England which accounts for 68% of annual U.S. pierogi consumption.”

For us here in Central New York, I’m blessed to have lived long enough to witness the handing down of the ladies’ pierogi recipe from Poland and traditional family “cloud pocket”-making parties that happen a few times a year. Traditions are best when they are practiced and mentored among all the generations. Everyone can participate in the

process, including telling colorful stories and enjoying family time.

The process starts in our household with unleavened kneaded dough rolled out into thin, small circles with an eyeball’s dollop mixture of mashed potato, sautéed onion, sauerkraut, cottage cheese and a bit of chive or spinach which then is folded in half and closed with a fluted edge.

Depending on the chain of command, time allotment and adult beverages present, the “mini smiling clouds” are then boiled in water and placed in neat rows to dry. My wife suggests freezing them between parchment paper so they don’t stick together if you want just one (or 10) for supper.

As the farm boy and excited eater, I immediately marvel at the precision of the process and seeing rows and rows of pierogis and the “gun shows” wielding the dough to its delicious conclusion. But life is better when they are fried and topped with butter and sour cream and destined for my belly.

After eating one too many, and before my heavy eyes close for a nap, I realize all the chosen ingredients can or do come from local farms, and that celebrating traditions is



The pierogi clouds, ready to party.

key to one’s life fulfillment, joy and resilience.

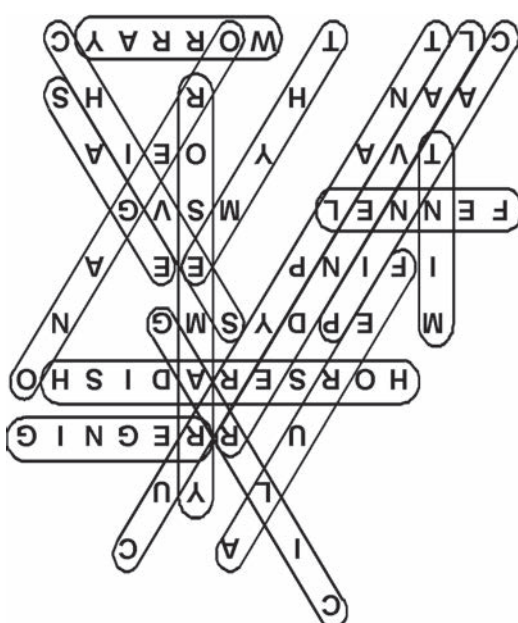
“That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their toil – this is the gift of God.” – Ecclesiastes 3:13



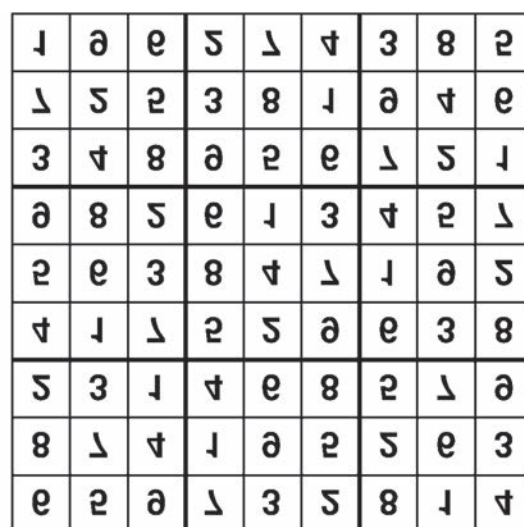
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Answers

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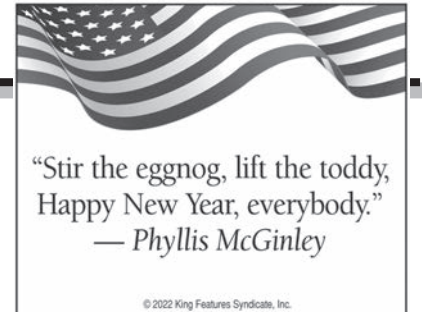
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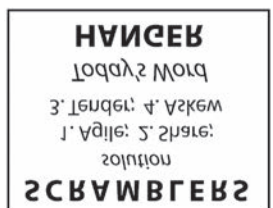
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Americanisms



“Stir the eggnog, lift the toddy,
Happy New Year, everybody.”
— Phyllis McGinley

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HANCEB

180 = 180

20 x 10 = 200

Here's one way to look at this:

The answer is B) 25 minutes.

ANSWERS



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Dairy industry volunteers needed for Calving Corner; new 'Moo U' learning area announced

Individuals who have experience working in the Pennsylvania dairy industry are encouraged to volunteer at the Calving Corner during the 2023 PA Farm Show Jan. 7 - 14, 2023 in Harrisburg, PA. The Calving Corner is the cornerstone in the "Destination Dairy" Northeast Exhibit Hall, giving visitors a firsthand look at the PA dairy industry and providing educational learning activities for children of all ages. The Calving Corner also live streams the exhibit throughout the Farm Show, reaching more than 37,000 people virtually each year.

"We are still looking for volunteers from the dairy industry to share your knowledge with consumers at the 2023 Pennsylvania Farm Show," said Miriam Miller, project manager for the Calving Corner. "Our goal with the Calving Corner exhibit is to communicate with Farm Show attendees and showcase the stewardship that goes into dairy production. Many families who visit

might be seeing a newborn calf for the first time or talking directly with a dairy farmer for the first time. Our volunteers really help us make sure their experience is a positive and educational one."

Calving Corner volunteer opportunities are available for dairy farmers, veterinarians, nutritionists, industry representatives, college students and other professionals who have experience in the dairy industry.

Volunteers will serve in a variety of roles, should be at least 18 years old and have a practical understanding of the dairy industry. They will be provided with a Calving Corner sweatshirt and should plan to wear proper attire, including clean and neat jeans or khakis. Calving Corner volunteers will also be required to complete a brief online training.

New this year, the Destination Dairy Northeast Exhibit Hall will also feature a "Moo U" interactive STEM learning area with hands-

on activities for kids of all ages. Veterinarians Dr. Jody Kull, Dr. Adrian Barragan and Dr. Hayley Springer, along with educators from the Whitaker Center for Science and the Arts and the Dairy Excellence Foundation, will lead interactive activities throughout the week that introduce families to the science and technology involved in modern dairy farming practices. Specific activities and times will be announced in the coming month.

"We appreciate the industry professionals who will be volunteering at the 'Moo U' learning corner and leading these interactive activities with visitors all week," Miller added. "Kids will be able to explore topics like anatomy and physiology, ultrasound technology, color explosion, robotics and more. We encourage you to share this information with teachers or parents in your community who might be interested."

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in volunteering at the Calving Corner exhibit can sign up online at signup.com/go/LiVugNy and select the dates and times that match their schedule.

For individuals who are interested in sharing information about the "Moo U" learning activities with families in their communities, contact Miriam Miller at Miriam@thecalvingcorner.org or 814.935.4905.

Sponsorship opportunities are also available for businesses or organizations who are interested in helping consumers learn about agriculture and the world of dairy farming. To become a sponsor, contact Miriam Miller at Miriam@thecalvingcorner.org or 814.935.4905.

The Calving Corner is made possible by the Friends of PA Farm Show Foundation, PA Dairymen's Association, American Dairy Association North East, Center for Dairy Excellence, Farm Credit Foundation for Agricultural Advancement, Allied Milk Producers, Northeast Agriculture Education Foundation Inc. and additional dairy organizations with support from the PA Department of Agriculture.



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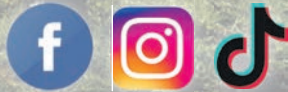
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Country Folks **EAST**
Section B

Junior Jersey All American winners announced by AJCA for 2022



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NHSS

Twenty-four Jersey youth ages 9 - 20 from nine states have been recognized by the American Jersey Cattle Association as the owners of the Junior All American winners for 2022. There were 173 youth exhibiting 274 Registered Jerseys in the national junior show on Nov. 4 in Louisville, KY.

The winners from the Country Folks region in each class division are:

- Spring Heifer Calf - Z-Class Frothy Cappuccino, Mason Ziembra, Durhamville, NY, winner
- Winter Heifer Calf - HC-Rader Gentry Sage-ET, Shelby Rader, Linesville, PA, reserve winner
- Fall Heifer Calf - Hi-Poits-LLF Cheers Lovely Lies, Katelyn Poitras, Brimfield, MA, winner
- Spring Yearling Heifer - Four-Hills Velocity Precious-ET, Emory Jo Bewley, Susquehanna, PA, winner
- Winter Yearling Heifer - SBF Jeronimo Andi, Regan Johnson, Northwood, NH, reserve winner

- Milking Yearling - Impression Misty-ET, Caroline Arrowsmith, Peach Bottom, PA, winner
- Junior Three-Year-Old Cow - Cowbell Casino Dorsay, Chase Rozler, Canton, NY, reserve winner
- Senior Three-Year-Old Cow - ZBW Masons Fizzy Cola, Mason Ziembra, Durhamville, NY, winner; Cowbell Shoes Cleopatra, Chase Rozler, Canton, NY, reserve winner
- Four-Year-Old Cow - DC Comerica Sasscee, Lilah Utterback, Jefferson, MD, winner

Results from the 70th All American Junior Jersey Show are posted on the USJersey website at usjersey.com/AJCA-NAJ-JMS/AJCA/InTheNews/Junior-Show2022.aspx.

The Junior All American and Reserve Junior All American's are showcased at theallamerican.usjerseyjournal.com/2022-junior-all-americans-reserve-junior-all-americans.

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USDA announces second round of Partnership for Climate-Smart Commodities Awards

On Dec. 12, Ag Secretary Tom Vilsack announced the second-round awardees of the Partnership for Climate-Smart Commodities, a USDA effort to combat the climate crisis by partnering with agriculture, forestry and rural communities to provide climate solutions that strengthen rural America. The National Sustainable Agriculture Coalition (NSAC) is pleased to see that the administration's latest round of awards will benefit more than 30 minority-serving institutions and more than 20 Tribal partners.

"NSAC is pleased to see that USDA is investing \$325 million in Partnership for Climate-Smart Commodity awards to 71 projects that focus on the needs of small and underserved producers. We look forward to seeing these projects serve to support the kinds of producers for whom NSAC advocates. That said, without more information on the contents of the proposals and how they will serve small farmers and minority-serving institutions, it is difficult to fully assess the value of the approach," said Cathy Day, Ph.D., NSAC climate policy coordinator.

USDA received more than 1,000 proposals from more than 700 entities, including over \$2 billion in proposals for this second, smaller funding round. A complete list of projects is available at usda.gov/climate-smart-commodities.

"NSAC welcomes today's announcement as this funding opportunity creates market opportunities for

USDA B3

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Thompson tapped as new House Ag Committee chair

Representative Glenn “GT” Thompson (R-PA) was officially tapped this month by the Republican Steering Committee to be the next chair of the House Agriculture Committee. Thompson has served as Ranking Republican Member on the committee for the past two years but will take the helm on Jan. 3 when the 118th Congress commences.

In a statement, Thompson said, “The political landscape may be fractured, but as chairman, I will prioritize the needs of our producers and rural communities – the backbone of this country.”

The current chair of the committee, Rep. David Scott (D-GA), released a statement congratulating Thompson, stating he is “encouraged by the bipartisan work [he and Thompson] have accomplished together” and expressed

his hope for a continuation of the “collegial spirit” shared by the two committee leaders.

Thompson said he plans to “put the foot on the pedal” in the crafting and enactment of the 2023 Farm Bill, stating the committee will be operating at an accelerated clip, beginning with a listening session on Jan. 7 in his home state of Pennsylvania.

USDA from B2

U.S. agricultural and forestry products that use climate-friendly practices and include innovative, cost-effective ways to measure and verify greenhouse gas benefits. Effectively expanding climate-friendly systems will require purchase programs, infrastructure and equipment support, as well as market support. Such programs can ensure that farmers who already grow highly diversified systems with continuous or permanent living cover, and who integrate livestock into their cropping systems, will be able to find good returns for their climate-friendly

products,” Day added.

NSAC members who received Partnership for Climate-Smart Commodities grants in the first phase include:

- Pasa Sustainable Agriculture: as a major partner in the Alliance to Catalyze Transition Incentives through Open Networks for Climate Smart Agriculture project and as lead partner in Climate-Smart Farming & Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science

- Organic Valley: as a major partner in the Alliance to Catalyze Transition Incentives through Open Networks for Climate

Smart Agriculture project

- Maine Farmland Trust: as a major partner in the Alliance to Catalyze Transition Incentives through Open Networks for Climate Smart Agriculture project and as a major partner in Climate-Smart Farming and Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science

- National Young Farmers Coalition: as a major partner in the Alliance to Catalyze Transition Incentives through Open Networks for Climate Smart Agriculture project

- NCAT: as a major partner in the Farmers for Soil Health Climate-Smart Commodities Partnership and as the lead partner in Climate Beneficial Fiber: Building New, Accessible and Equitable Market Opportunities for Climate-Smart Cotton and Wool and as a major partner on Building Soil, Building Equity: Accelerating a Regenerative Farming Movement in Appalachia and the Southeast

- National Bison Association: as a major partner in the Grass is Greener on the Other Side: Developing Climate-Smart Beef and Bison Commodities

- Carolina Farm Stewardship Association: as a major partner in Climate-Smart Farming and Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science and as a major partner in Quantifying the Potential to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Increase Carbon Sequestration by

Growing and Marketing Climate-Smart Commodities in the Southern Piedmont

- CISA: as a major partner in Climate-Smart Farming and Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science

- Future Harvest: as a major partner in Climate-Smart Farming and Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science

- Maine Organic Farmers and Gardeners Association: as a major partner in Climate-Smart Farming and Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science

- NOFA: as a major partner in Climate-Smart Farming and Marketing: Engaging in Community-Science

- Virginia Association for Biological Farming: as a major partner in Quantifying the Potential to Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Increase Carbon Sequestration by Growing and Marketing Climate-Smart Commodities in the Southern Piedmont

- Farmer Veteran Coalition as a major partner on Producer Led Collaborative Effort to Fundamentally Transition the U.S. Beef Supply Chain to Carbon Neutral in Community-Science

For a deeper look at the funding available from the Commodity Credit Corporation for the Partnerships for Climate-Smart Commodities projects, see sustainableagriculture.net/blog/1-billion-available-for-partnerships-for-climate-smart-commodities.

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- **8:00 AM:** Half Acre Market, Ridge Rd., Auburn, NY. Drop off only. Dannielle Cornelius, Empire Livestock Marketing, 607-844-9104. www.empirelivestock.com
- **10:00 AM:** Mohawk Valley Produce Auction, 840 Fordsbush Rd., Fort Plain, NY 13339. 518-568-3579.
- **11:30 AM:** Hosking Sales - Certified Organic Marketing Agency. Weekly sales every Monday 11:30 with misc. & small animals, 1:00 dairy, followed by feeders, sheep, lambs, goats, pigs. Calves start at 5 PM followed by cull beef. Hosking Sales 607-847-6274 or 607-847-8800, cell 607-972-1770 or 1771, Tom & Brenda Hosking, 6096 NYS Rt. 8, New Berlin, NY 13411. www.hoskingsales.com
- **12:00 PM:** Dryden Market, 49 E. Main St., Dryden, NY. Calves. Dannielle Cornelius, Manager, Empire Livestock Marketing, 607-844-9104. www.empirelivestock.com
- **12:00 PM:** Pavilion Market. Calves, sheep, goats, hogs & cattle. Tim Pajda Rudgers, Manager, 585-447-7715.
- **12:30 PM:** Vernon Livestock, Vernon, NY. Pigs, sheep, goats, horses & hay followed by calves & beef. David Sherwood, Manager, Empire Livestock Marketing, 315-436-0804. www.empirelivestock.com
- **2:00 PM:** NNY Farmers Marketing Co-Op, Inc., 8204 St. Rt. 26, Lowville, NY, 315-376-7441. www.nnyfarmersmarket.com
- **3:00 PM:** Addison County Commission Sales, T.G. Wisnowski & Sons, Rt. 125, East Middlebury, VT. Livestock auction. Calves sell first, cull beef to follow. For sale information call ACCS VT toll free 800-339-COWS or 802-388-2661.

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- **9:00 AM:** St. Lawrence Valley Produce Auction, 518-483-4200.
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- **1:00 PM:** Central Bridge Livestock, Rte. 30A, Central Bridge, NY. Goats, sheep, pigs, veal followed by feeders then calves and then cows. David Sherwood, Manager & Auctioneer, Empire Livestock Marketing, 518-868-2006, 800-321-3211. www.empirelivestock.com
- **3:30 PM:** Cambridge Valley Livestock Market, 518-677-8576, cvlmauction@gmail.com. Calf Auction 3:30 PM; :00 PM Beef Sale - also goats, sheep, feeders, dairy, bulls. We accept animals all week at no charge. Trucking available; we have 4 generation auctioneers and a competitive market.

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- **1:30 PM:** Cherry Creek Market, 6732 Pickup Hill Rd., Cherry Creek, NY. Regular Sale. Dairy, Beef, Calves, Sheep, Goats & Hogs. Empire Livestock Market, 716-296-5042, Lonnie Kent, Auctioneer & Manager 716-450-0558. www.empirelivestock.com

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2022

• Equipment Auction - End Of Year Day 1 - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411.

www.bigiron.com

• 6:00 PM: BIDDING NOW! 3 LOT(S) in NY. 2010 Chevy 3500 Mini School Bus, 2010 International School Bus, 2013 International School Bus. Voorheesville CSD-NY #31208. 800-536-1401.

www.AuctionsInternational.com

• 6:05 PM: BIDDING NOW! 12 LOT(S) in NY. John Deere Self-Propelled Push Mower, Woods Rear Mount, RD7200 72" Finishing Mower, Speedaire by Dayton Compressor, Dayton Arc Stick Welder And More. Town of Greenport W & W-NY #31202. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:20 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. Harrison Hydra-Gen 15kw Generator System. North Greenbush Fire District #1-NY #31227. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:25 PM: BIDDING NOW! 21 LOT(S) in NY. 2013 Ford F150 Crew Cab Pickup Truck, John Deere Tractors with Sickle Bar, 2015 Chevy Silverado 1500 Double Cab Pickup Truck, 2016 Ford Explorer SUV/Police Vehicle And More. Albany County DPW-NY #31109. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:50 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2015 Ford Explorer SUV. Southern Westchester BOCES-NY #31228. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:55 PM: BIDDING NOW! 26 LOT(S) in NY. EZ Way ADA Assist Lift, John Deere 345 Lawn Mower with 54" Deck, Craftsman 2 Stage 28" Walk Behind Snow Blower, Delta 10" Compound Miter Saw, Garland Propane Stove And Much More. Malone CSD-NY #31224. 800-536-1401.

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• 7:25 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. Check, Back Pressure & Unloader Valves. NY Power Authority Massena-NY #31216. 800-536-1401.

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• 7:30 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2016 Dodge Grand Caravan SE Mini Van. Richfield Springs CSD-NY #31230. 800-536-1401.

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• 7:35 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2013 Ford F150 XL Pickup Truck. Town of Seneca Falls Water & Sewer-NY #31231. 800-536-1401.

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• 7:40 PM: BIDDING NOW! 28 LOT(S) in NY. Marine Parts, Auto Parts, Woodworking Parts, Pneumatic Tools. Surplus Liquidation, Long Island-NY #31225. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:10 PM: BIDDING NOW! 3 LOT(S) in NY. 2000 International 4700 Garbage Truck, 2014 Chevy Express G4500 Bus, 2003 Ford F450 Dump Truck with Plow. City of Long Beach-NY #31238. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:15 PM: BIDDING NOW! 3 LOT(S) in NY. 2014 Blue Bird T3FE School Buses, 2014 Blue Bird T3FE School Bus. Dryden CSD-NY #31240. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:20 PM: BIDDING NOW! 6 LOT(S) in NY. (6) CHNT Power: Grid Tied PV Inverters, (2) Grey Screw Cover Boxes, New/Old Stock, (3) Grey Junction Boxes, New/Old Stock, (2) Gasketed Screw Covers, New/Old Stock, (2) Rolls or Misc. Wire. Business Liquidation-NY #31226. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:30 PM: BIDDING NOW! 15 LOT(S) in NY. Motorola Mobile Radios, Commercial Food Chopper/Mixer, Road Signs, Craftsman Table Saw And More. Village of Dresden-NY #31249. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:45 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. Xerox Work Center 5955i Copier. Westhampton Beach UFSD-Long Island,NY #31135. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:50 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2001 Dodge Utility Truck with Compressor & Crane. Riverhead Fire District, Long Island-NY #31221. 800-536-1401.

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• 8:55 PM: BIDDING NOW! 6 LOT(S) in NY. 2011 Chevy Silverado 3500HD Dump Truck with Plow, 2005 Jeep Grand Cherokee SUV, Woodmaster 6500 Outdoor Wood Stove, Motorola Phone System And More. Town of Patterson Hwy-NY #31279. 800-536-1401.

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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2022

• Equipment Auction - End Of Year Day 2 - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411.

www.bigiron.com

• 9:30 AM: Albany, NY. Very Large, 1 Owner Major Job Completion - Construction Equipment, Aerials, Aggregate, Trucks, Trailers & Support. No consignments. Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872.

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• 6:00 PM: BIDDING NOW! 12 LOT(S) in NY. 2009 Ford Expedition XLT SUV, 1980 GMC 7000 E-One Crash Truck, 1991 Simon Duplex Saulsbury Pumper Truck, Rubber Hoses And More. Oswego County Fire Coordinator-NY #31239. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:15 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2006 Chevy Silverado 1500 LS Pickup Truck. Village of Endicott-NY #31247. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:20 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. FireCom/SetCom Units & Headsets. City of Ithaca FD-NY #31248. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:25 PM: BIDDING NOW! 8 LOT(S) in NY. Playmate Portable Tennis Ball Machines, Gamma Progression II Tennis Stringing Machine, Strokemaster Portable Tennis Ball Machine, Prince NEOS Tennis Stringing Machine, (3) Schutt Glass Basketball Backboards -New/Old Stock. Skidmore College-NY #31252. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:35 PM: BIDDING NOW! 8 LOT(S) in NY. 2003 International 3800 School Bus, 2002 Chevy Express 3500 Mini School Bus, (2) 2004 International/Blue Bird 3800 School Buses, 2012 Chevy/Thomas Express G3500 Mini School Bus And More. Carmel CSD-NY #31246. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:45 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2010 Chevy Impala LS 4 Door Sedan. Bolton CSD-NY #31255. 800-536-1401.

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• 6:50 PM: BIDDING NOW! 14 LOT(S) in NY. 1994 WhiteGMC WG 5Th Wheel Tractor, 2011 International WorkStar 7600 Dump Truck with Plow, Wing and Sander, 2019 Chevy Tahoe/Police Vehicle **5% Buyers Premium** 2001 Bid-Well 2450 Scream, Misc. Tires And Much More. St. Lawrence County-NY #30814. 800-536-1401.

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• 7:05 PM: BIDDING NOW! 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2017 Ford Explorer SUV/Police Interceptor. Chautauqua County Sheriff's Office-NY #31250. 800-536-1401.

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• 7:10 PM: BIDDING NOW! 19 LOT(S) in NY. 2001 Chevy 1500 Pickup Truck, 2001 Ford F350 XL Super Duty Cab & Chassis, 1995 GMC Service Truck, 1989 Trojan All Terrain Articulating And More. Oswego County Solid Waste-NY #31254. 800-536-1401.

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• **7:45 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. (9) Sections of Penco Garment Lockers. Oneida County Water Pollution Control-NY #31298. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:50 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. (40) Ballot Call Alert System Boxes. Oneida County Board of Elections-NY #31299. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:55 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. Communication Radios. Jefferson County Purchasing-NY #31302. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:00 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 5 LOT(S) in NY. (5) 40' Trailers Full of Furniture. Auburn Enlarged CSD-NY #31300. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:05 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 3 LOT(S) in NY. 2007 Chevy Impala LS 4 Door Sedan, Motorcraft Cooling Fan and Condenser New/Old Stock, (2) Pro-Guard Overhead Firearms Racks New/Old Stock. City of Saratoga Springs-NY #31301. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:10 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 3 LOT(S) in NY. FORMAX Folding Machine, (2) SRECO-FLEX Sewer Rodding Co. Sewer Drag Machines, M-B-W Concrete Mixer. City of Auburn Wastewater Treatment Plant-NY #31304. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:15 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 3 LOT(S) in NY. Air Compressor, 2002 International Cab & Chassis, Parts Only, Viking 11' One Way Plow. Town of Pitcher-NY #31307. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2022

• Equipment Auction - End Of Year Day 3 - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

• **9:30 AM:** Albany, (Greenwich), NY. Year End Auction - Annual Ford-New Holland Equipment Auction ~ Capital Tractor ~ Late Model Earthmoving Equipment. Cat Komatsu, John Deere, Volvo, Multiple Trucks, Trailers, Aerial Lifts, Forklifts, Attachments and Support. Address: 389 Old Schuylerville Rd., Greenwich, NY 12834 (Washington County Fairgrounds). Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

• **6:00 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 7 LOT(S) in NY. 2008 Dodge Grand Caravan SE, John Deere Z950M Zero Turn, Air Compressor, Welder And More. Village of Homer-NY #31233. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **6:10 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2011 Chevy Suburban FL 1500 SUV. Queensbury UFSD-NY #31269. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **6:15 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2009 Ford F350 XL Super Duty Utility Truck with Plow. Town of Hurley Hwy-NY #31278. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **6:20 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. Rane One 2-Channel Motorized DJ Controller & Flight Case. Surplus Liquidation-NY #31277. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **6:25 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. Airflo Stainless Steel Salt Spreader. Town of Waterford Hwy-NY #31272. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **6:30 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 12 LOT(S) in NY. 2008 Chevy Impala LS Sedan, 1999 Clark CMP30 Forklift, Coats 1025 Solid State Wheel Balancer, 2011 Ford F350XL Super Duty Pickup Truck And More. City of Syracuse Water-NY #31267. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **6:55 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 2 LOT(S) in NY. 2004 International 7300 Dump Truck with Wing, One Way Plow & Sander, (2) Flail King Mowers. Town of Sangerfield Hwy-NY #31280. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:00 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 4 LOT(S) in NY. 1996 International 8100 Tractor Truck, 1993 International 4700 Bucket Truck, Craftsman Professional Compressor, Western 7.6 HTS Ultra Mount Plow. Surplus Liquidation-NY #31212. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:05 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 5 LOT(S) in NY. 2015 Chevy Tahoe/Police Vehicle, 2009 Chevy Tahoe/Police Vehicle, 2002 Land Rover Discovery II SUV, Mustang and Chevy Parts. Surplus Liquidation-NY #31237. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:10 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 8 LOT(S) in NY. 2009 Ford E250 Van, 2007 Chevy 2500 Express Van, 2010 Ford F150 Pickup Truck, 2009 E250 Van And More. Onondaga County WEP Vehicles-NY #31281. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:20 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2013 Chevy Caprice Police Vehicle. Onondaga County Sheriff-NY #31284. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:25 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 3 LOT(S) in NY. Lincoln Idealarc R3S Welder, Hofmann Geodyna 1100 Wheel Balancer, Office Furniture. Onondaga County DOT-NY #31285. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:30 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 3 LOT(S) in NY. Omega B66 Photo Enlargers, White Boards, Office Furniture. Jamesville Dewitt CSD-NY #31286. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:35 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 8' Western Pro Plow with Controller. Business Surplus-NY #31293. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:40 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 3 LOT(S) in NY. 1996 12' Equipment Trailer with Ramp, Sweepster/Paladin Hydraulic Reservoir Tank, 36" 4 Tooth Steel Digging Bucket. Town of Wales Hwy-NY #31018. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:45 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 5 LOT(S) in NY. 1974 Case #48013 Backhoe Loader, Snow Maintenance Equipment, Cast-Iron Stove. Town of Troupsburg Hwy-NY #31253. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:50 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 1989 Ford F800 Utility Pumper Truck. Thurston FD-NY #31251. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **7:55 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2017 Mitsubishi Fuso FE Dump Truck. Business Surplus-NY #31289. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:00 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 13 LOT(S) in NY. 2018 Jeep Grand Cherokee SUV, (2) 2006 Vermeer BC-1500 Chippers, 2014 Jeep Patriot SUV, Generators. Rockland County-NY #31268. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:15 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. **5% Buyers Premium** 2019 CAT 938M High Lift Wheel Loader. Development Authority of the North Country-NY #31274. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:20 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 5 LOT(S) in NY. 2019 Blue Bird All American School Buses, 2015 Ford F250 Pickups with Stainless Steel V-Plows. Carthage CSD-NY #31262. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:25 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 9 LOT(S) in NY. 2017 Ford Explorer/Police Interceptor SUV, (2) 2010 Polaris FST IQ Tour Snowmobiles, (2) 1997 Shoreland Single Jet Ski Trailers, 2014 Kristo V-Nose Snowmobile Trailer And more. Oswego County Sheriff-NY #31282. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:35 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 2 LOT(S) in ME. Fire Rescue Vehicle Desk, Vehicle Illuminator Bar. Poland Fire Department-ME #31295. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:40 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2007 Freightliner 11H 6x4 Dump Truck & Plow. Town of Guilford Hwy-NY #31296. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

• **8:45 PM: BIDDING NOW!** 1 LOT(S) in NY. 2005 John Deere 160C LC Track Excavator. Town of Hermon Hwy-NY #31308. 800-536-1401. www.AuctionsInternational.com

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2022 - SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

• **12:00 PM:** Saratoga Springs (Albany), NY. Timed Auction. Please feel free to preview any of our Live Auction sale sites 5 days before auction day! Retirement Auction. Primarily medium-sized excavators, skid steers, aerial lifts, trucks, trailers, very large amount of support & accessories. Address: 221 W Circular St., Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022

• **9:30 AM:** Annual End of Year Live Auction. Mason Facility, 10784 Rt. 19, Fillmore, NY 14735. R.G. Mason Auctions, 585-567-8844. www.rgmasonauctions.com

SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023

• **5:00 PM:** New Years Day Online Auction. Equipment, Mini Excavator, Back Hoe, 1995 Fire Truck, Firearms, Ammo, Hunting & Related, Pallets of Composite Decking, Pallets of Ship Lap, New & Used Tools, Antiques, Coins, Collectibles, Bid-N-Buy Realty & Auctions Inc., 5893 School Rd., Castile, NY 14427, Office - 585-493-5837. Bidnbuyny.com - Click on upcoming auctions

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 2023

• Normal Monday Sale & Monthly Fat Cow & Feeder Sale. Hosking Sales, Tom & Brenda Hosking, 607-847-8800; cell 607-972-1770 or 1771; Dan Hosking 607-972-8773. www.hoskingsales.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023

• CR Zonrow Inc. Online Real Estate and Bean Equipment Auction. Seneca Castle, NY. Selling 12 acres zoned commercial with 18k sq ft building, plus office building & 9k sq ft warehouse. Plus bean equipment. www.williamkentinc.com

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 2023

• Equipment Auction - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 2023

• Land Auction, Boone County, Nebraska, Herman Kvamme Estate. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023

• Normal Monday Sale & Monthly Heifer Sale. Hosking Sales, Tom & Brenda Hosking, 607-847-8800; cell 607-972-1770 or 1771; Dan Hosking 607-972-8773. www.hoskingsales.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023

• NE Sandhills Female Sale. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 - TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023

• January NetAuction - Edition 1. Selling equipment for municipalities and contractors around NYS. RTI Auctions, phone 585-243-1563, fax 585-243-3311. RTIauctions.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 - FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023

• **12:00 PM:** Timed Auction - Please feel free to preview any of our Live Auction sale sites 5 days before auction day! Part 1 - 2 Locations. Very Large Rental Return Auction ~ United Rentals ~ Several hundred late model units, large quantity of booms, light plants, Skyjack & JLG scissor lifts, Laymor sweepers, Cool Zone coolers, utility vehicles. Location 1: 198 Sterling Ave., West Monroe, LA 71292. Location 2: 10385 E Airline Hwy., St Rose, LA 70087. Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2023

• Equipment Auction - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023

• **9:00 AM:** 2 High-End quality restaurant dispersals, Syracuse, NY Stone's Steakhouse & Stone's Lakeside. On-line bidding. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 2023 - TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023

• **12:00 PM:** Deer Park, TX. Onsite-Timed Auction. Please feel free to preview any of our Live Auction sale sites 5 days before auction day! Part 2 - 1 Location. Very Large Rental Return Auction. Several hundred late model units, large quantity of booms, light plants, Skyjack & JLG scissor lifts, Laymor sweepers, Cool Zone coolers, utility vehicles. Address: 1718 W 13th St., Deer Park, TX 77536. Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

Auction Calendar



To Have Your Auction Listed, See Your Sales Representative or Contact Dave Dornburgh at (518) 673-0109 • Fax (518) 673-2381 • Email ddornburgh@leepub.com

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 2023

• Normal Monday Sale & Monthly Sheep, Lamb, Goat & Pig Sale. Hosking Sales, Tom & Brenda Hosking, 607-847-8800; cell 607-972-1770 or 1771; Dan Hosking 607-972-8773. www.hoskingsales.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023

• Land Auction, Wayne County, Nebraska, Kenny Windfall Farm, LLC. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023

• Equipment Auction - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 2023

• Dan Jessen Retirement - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 2023

• Normal Monday Sale & Monthly Organic Day. Hosking Sales, Tom & Brenda Hosking, 607-847-8800; cell 607-972-1770 or 1771; Dan Hosking 607-972-8773. www.hoskingsales.com

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023 -

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2023

• January NetAuction - Edition 2. Selling equipment for municipalities and contractors around NYS. RTI Auctions, phone 585-243-1563, fax 585-243-3311. RTIauctions.com

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2023

• Equipment Auction - Farm Equipment, Construction Equipment, Trucks & Trailers. Big Iron Auctions, 402-678-2411. www.bigiron.com

• 10:00 AM: Dallas, TX. Onsite-Live Auction.

Please feel free to preview any of our Live Auction sale sites 5 days before auction day! Semi Retirement Auction ~ One of Texas' Finest Construction Companies ~ Primarily Cat equipment, articulated haul trucks, excavators, vibratory rollers, Takeuchi excavators, Bobcat & Takeuchi skid steers, Broce sweepers, air compressors, generators & more. Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2023

• 9:30 AM: Columbus (Delaware), OH. Onsite-Live Auction. Please feel free to preview any of our Live Auction sale sites 5 days before auction day! Large Cat, John Deere Construction & Agricultural Equipment Auction. Construction equipment, ag tractors, aerial lifts, forklifts, trucks & trailers. Address: 935 U.S. 23 N., Delaware, OH 43015 (Delaware County Fairgrounds). Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023

• Normal Monday Sale. Hosking Sales, Tom & Brenda Hosking, 607-847-8800; cell 607-972-1770 or 1771; Dan Hosking 607-972-8773. www.hoskingsales.com

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2023 -

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2023

• 9:00 AM: Bushnell, FL. Onsite-Live Auction. Please feel free to preview any of our Live Auction sale sites 5 days before auction day! Day 1. 30th Annual Florida Auction The Greatest Sale Of The Year! 9 Days Of Selling!! Construction equipment, aerials, forklifts, cranes, dump trucks, truck tractors, trailers, support & attachments. Address: CR 475, Bushnell, Florida 33513. Alex Lyon & Son, 315-633-2944, 315-633-9544, 315-633-2872. www.lyonauction.com

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, MARCH 3, 2023

• 4:00 PM: Large 2 day machinery auction. Friday on-line only! 1036 St. Rt. 318, Waterloo, NY 13165. Featuring large amounts of construction, agricultural equipment, dealer trade-ins, repos, farm dispersals & liquidations. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2023

• 8:00 AM: Large 2 day machinery auction. 1036 St. Rt. 318, Waterloo, NY 13165. Featuring large amounts of construction, agricultural equipment, dealer trade-ins, repos, farm dispersals & liquidations. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, MARCH 17, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 2023

• 9:15 AM: Chesterfield, (Burlington Co.) NJ. The Big Paul Hlubik Spring Agricultural Equipment Consignment Auction. Pirrung Auctioneers, Inc. pirrunginc.com

SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 2023

• 7:55 AM: 32nd Annual Spring Auction. Beaver Mountain Farms, 1030 Cty. Rd. 27A, Ancram, NY 12502. 518-929-3480 Don. 518-929-5659 Chris. Leaman Auctions, 717-464-1128, cell 610-662-8149. auctionzip#3721

FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, JULY 21, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2023

• 11:00 AM: Lakeview Holsteins, 2456 Rt. 14, Penn Yan, NY. Selling Grade and purebred dairy cattle. JMartin Auctions, Office #315-856-8447. jmartinauctions.com



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WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

ABBREVIATION KEY

# - Pound	Pr - Prime	HY - High Yielding
Ea - Each	Gd - Good	ld(s) - Load(s)
Hfr - Heifer	Std - Standard	cwt - Per 100 Weight
Hols - Holstein	Sel - Select	pc - piece
Util - Utility	No - Number	XL - Extra Large
Bu - Bushel	/hd - per head	L - Large
Qt - Quart	/pr - per pair	M - Medium
Pt - Pint	Mkt - Market	S - Small
Dz - Dozen	Avg - Average	
Ch - Choice	YG - Yield Grade	

Prices are listed low & high.

ADDISON COUNTY COMMISSION SALES INC. Middlebury, VT December 15-19, 2022

Beef & Dairy Cattle for Slaughter:
Canners: .58-.73.
Cutters: .57-.70.
Boner (1): .58-.80.
White Cows: .63-.86.
Lo Dress: .43-.63.
Holstein Heifers: .65-1.15.
Feeder Cattle, Beef & Beef Crosses: .70-1.30.
Farm CFS Holstein #1: .60-1.60.
Black CFS 1.50-3.15.
Call For Same Day Market.
Sales every Monday & Thursday.
SOURCE: ADDISON COUNTY COMMISSION SALES INC.

CAMBRIDGE VALLEY LIVESTOCK MARKET Cambridge, NY December 13, 2022

Dairy Cows for Slaughter: Util/Boners 68-88; Cutters 52-65; Canners 10-51; Maiden Heifers 72-1.25.
Top Beef Cow: 7005 NY 1745# @93 1622.85; 5435 MA 1445# @88 1271.60; 6674 NY 1790# @87 1557.30; 7522 VT 1760# @85 1496; 6678 NY 1650# @85 1402.50; 7428 NY 1660# @84 1394.40; 2120 VT 1760# @83 1460.80; 5434 VT 1750# @83 1452.50; 7513 NY 1585# @82 1299.70.
Calf Market: 95# and Up 35-1.70; 85-95# 30-1.75.
Beef Calves: 70-3.35.
Slaughter Calves: Bobs 95-110# 10-25; Bobs 85-95# 5-20; Bobs 60-80# 5-18.
Top Calves: 366 VT 86# @3.35 288.10; 847 NY 89# @3.25 289.25; 1260 VT 79# @3.25 256.75; 363 VT 90# @3.20 288; 6905 NY 90# @ 3.15 283.50; 369 VT 88# @3.15 277.20; 849 NY 76# @3.15 239.40; 6902 NY 95# @3.10 294.50; 6726 CT 94# @3.10 291.40; 6904 NY 93# @3.10 288.30.
Bulls: 1000-1100# 70-82; 1201-1500# 77-86; 1701-1800# 91.
Feeders: 100-200# 68-1.02.50; 200-300# 70-1.27.50; 300-400# 60-87.50; 400-500# 60-1.12.50; 500-600# 62-1.05; 600-700# 65-76; 700-800# 61-76; 801-1000# 65-86.
Steers: 1000-1100# 90-1.33.50; 1201-1400# 1.20-1.27; 1500-1700# 80.
Goats: Nannies 50-240; S Billies 50-95; Billies 95-240; Wethers 160-260.
Sheep:
Lambs: 110-125# 1.10-1.35; 150-170# 90-1.07.
Ewes: 95-150.
Rams: 70-180.
SOURCE: CAMBRIDGE VALLEY LIVESTOCK

EMPIRE LIVESTOCK AUCTION Vernon, NY December 12-15, 2022

Calves \$/#: Heifer Calves .05-1.50; Grower over 92# .75-1.80; Grower 80-92# .60-1.40; Bob Calves .05-.40; Beef Type Calves 1-3.10.
Cull Cows \$/#: Gd Cows .58-.83; Lean Cows .10-.70; Hvy Beef Bulls .80-1.03.
Dairy Replacements: Springing/Handling Heifers 1100-1300/hd.
Beef: Veal .70-1.10; Feeders .70-1.50; Holstein Feeders .35-1; Holstein Ch 1.10-1.20; Holstein Sel 1.05-1.25.
SOURCE: EMPIRE LIVESTOCK

FINGER LAKES LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE Canandaigua, NY December 17, 2022

Beef Steers: 301-500# 60-180; 501-700# 70-185; 701-Up 90-158.
Beef Heifers: 301-500# 50-162.50; 501-700# 62-157.50; 701-Up 69-130.
Beef Bulls: 301-500# 50-167.50; 501-700# 34-152.50; 701-Up 40-137.50.
Bred Replacement/hd: 265-1185.
SOURCE: FINGER LAKES LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE

FINGER LAKES LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE Canandaigua, NY December 17, 2022

Dairy Cows For Slaughter:
Bone Utility: 60-75.
Canners & Cutters: 46-68.
Dairy Bulls for Slaughter: 72-109.
Slaughter Calves: 5-25.
Dairy Calves (Returned): 30-140.
Beef Steers: Ch (Grain Fed) 138-154. Sel 121-135.
Holstein Steers: Ch (Grain Fed) 118-130; Sel 85-115.
Hogs: Slgh. Hogs US 1-3 104-106. Sows US 1-3 55-73.
Market Lambs: 165-295.
Slaughter Sheep: 35-92.50.
Goats/hd: 100-280.
SOURCE: FINGER LAKES LIVESTOCK EXCHANGE

FLAME STOCKYARD Littleton, MA December 20, 2022

Canners .30-.45; Cutters .45-.68; Utility .68-.80; Bulls .80-1.10; Steers .95-1.20; Heifers .95-1.15.
Calves: Growers .80-1.40; Veal 1.10-1.30; Other 1.50-2.70.
Hogs: Sows .40.
Goats: Billies 200-385/ea; Kids 50-225/ea.
Sheep 1-1.30; Lambs 1.50-2.30.
SOURCE: FLAME STOCKYARD

HOSKING SALES New Berlin, NY December 19, 2022

Cattle: Dairy Cows for Slaughter .66; Bone Utility .70; Canners & Cutters .75-.72; Easy Cows .60 down; Beef Breed Cows .59-.81.
Bulls: Bulls & Steers .91-.94; Dairy Feeders .50-.86; Feeder Bulls .95-1.01.
Calves: Bull calves top 1.05, Heifer calves top .05-60.
Dairy Milking age top 1500, open heifers top 700.
Goats: Up to \$250.
Lambs: 60# - 93# 1.60-2.08.
Cull Sheep: .71-.85.
We are a certified organic market agency. Call 607-847-8800 for more information.
SOURCE: HOSKING SALES

MIDDLEBURG LIVESTOCK AUCTION Middlebury, PA December 20, 2022

Feeder Cattle:
Steers: M&L 1 340# 117; 410-440# 105-110; 465# 87-132; 515# 97; 625# 86; 735# 86; 875# 92; 930# 86; 1010# 78; 1060# 88.
Dairy Steers: L 3 600# 72; 815# 72; 860# 92; 945# 82; 975# 90.

Heifers: M&L 1 640# 96. M&L 2 365# 92; 412-421# 70-124; 480-495# 70-120; 505-535# 70-95; 575# 82; 645# 42; 675-690# 67-70; 1130# 84; 1175# 97.
Bulls: M&L 1 720# 90. L 3 390# 82; 520# 72; 615# 72; 785# 72 Natural; 920-945# 64-88 Natural.
Slaughter Cattle:
Steers: Ch and Pr 2-3 1405-1750# 152-159 Average. Ch 2-3 1110-1595# 138-154 Average. Sel 2-3 1180-1510# 110-139 Average.
Dairy Steers: Ch and Pr 2-3 1670-1770# 130-140 Average. Sel 2-3 1480-1510# 80-108 Average.
Heifers: Ch and Pr 2-3 1415-1525# 148-150 Average. Ch 2-3 1135-1335# 130-147 Average; Sel 2-3 1120-1460# 129-130 Average.
Cows: Pr Wh 65-75% 1380-1800# 73-78 Average. Breaker 75-80% 1280-1865# 68.50-73 Average; 1285-1580# 62-63 Lo. Boner 80-85% 1285-1540# 63-71 Average; 1410-1535# 72-74 Hi. Lean 85-90% 915-1570# 51-58 Average; 1080# 61 Hi; 1245# 48 Lo.
Bulls: 2-3 1285-2035# 84-105 Average; 1485# 119 Hi; 1490-2290# 72-77 Lo.
Dairy Heifers: Ch 2-3 1695# 106 Average.
Feeder Dairy Calves:
Bulls: No 1 80-85# 150-165; 90-95# 130-170; 95# 250
Beef Cross; 100-105# 145-175; 105# 330 Beef Cross; 110-115# 140-170; 120# 160. No 2 80-85# 125-150; 90-95# 110-160; 100-105# 140-165; 110-115# 140-165. No 3 75# 30; 80-85# 45-145; 90# 100-120; 100# 55; 110# 30-85. Utility 45# 5; 65# 10; 75# 25; 80# 10; 95# 15-50.
Heifers: No 1 95# 35; 90-95# 290-320 Beef Cross; 90-95# 280-320 Crossbred; 100# 240 Crossbred; 115# 280 Crossbred. No 2 70# 10.
SOURCE: USDA AMS LIVESTOCK, POULTRY & GRAIN MARKET NEWS, PA DEPT. OF AG MARKET NEWS, NEW HOLLAND, PA

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Good Cows: .62-.70.
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Green Calves: .50 back.
Bulls (Lo Dress): 1 @ .73 1/2.
Beef X Calves (Bulls): 2.80-3.60.
Beef X Calves (Heifers): 2.20-3.
Dairy Feeders: .70-.81.
SOURCE: NNY FARMERS MARKETING CO-OP INC.

NNY FARMERS MARKETING CO-OP INC. Lowville, NY December 19, 2022

Good Cows: .65-.73.
Lean Cows: .54-.63.
Slow Cows: .50 back.
Growers: 96-108#: 1.50-2.50; 88-92#: 1.30-2.40; 110-130#: 1.35-2.25.
Green Calves: .80 back.
Heifers: .60 back.
Bulls (Hi Dress): .84-.93.
Bulls (Lo Dress): .68-.77.
Beef X Calves (Bulls): 2.30-3.95.
Beef X Calves (Heifers): 2-3.05.
High: 1582.
SOURCE: NNY FARMERS MARKETING CO-OP INC.

NORTHAMPTON COOPERATIVE AUCTION Whately, MA December 20, 2022

Calves: 5-50/cwt.
Growers: 51-365/cwt.
Veal: 108/cwt.
Heifers: 70-141.50/cwt.
Feeders: 37-133/cwt.
Steers (Beef): 100-148/cwt.
Ox: 50/cwt.
Bulls: 55-100/cwt.
Canners: 28-65/cwt.
Cutters: 70-75/cwt.
Utility: 80.50-84/cwt.
Sows: 30/cwt.

Hogs: 55/cwt.
Shoats: 100-110/ea.
Feeder Pigs: 21-80/ea.
Lambs: 165-395/cwt.
Sheep: 70-120/cwt.
Goats: 230-240/ea.
Poultry: 3-31/ea.
Eggs: (158 dz) 1.75-4/dz.
Rabbits: 2-10.50/ea.
Hay: (3 lots) 2-5.50/bale.
SOURCE: NORTHAMPTON COOPERATIVE AUCTION

PENNSYLVANIA WEEKLY LIVESTOCK SUMMARY December 16, 2022

Slaughter Cattle:
Steers: Hi Ch & Pr 2-3 153.80-160.40. Ch 2-3 142.60-153. Sel 2-3 117.25-138.
Holstein Steers: Hi Ch & Pr 2-3 123.50-129.75. Ch 2-3 116-121.75. Sel 2-3 84.80-106.40.
Heifers: Hi Ch & Pr 2-3 144-151.88. Ch 2-3 130.25-141.25. Sel 2-3 110-120.50.
Cows: Breaker 75-80% Lean 67.43-74.71. Boner 80-85% Lean 57.36-64.57. Lean 85-90% Lean 50.71-59.07.
Bulls: Hi Dress 117-134; Avg Dress 80.33-94.50.
Farm Calves: Holstein Bull: No 1 95-120# 153.57-192.14; 70-90# 150-189.14. No 2 95-120# 123.67-153.33; 70-90# 115-142.83. No 3 80-120# 63.67-95. Utility 50-120# 13.33-20. Holstein Heifer: No 1 80-120# 25.83-38.33. No 2 70-120# 37-22.50. Beef Type 70-120# 272-369.
Slaughter Hogs:
Barrows & Gilts: 52-56% Lean 200-400# 64-82; 48-52% Lean 200-400# 66-76.
Sows: US 1-3 300-500# 37-54; 500-700# 44-47.
Boars: 300-500# 5-24.
Lambs: HCP 2-3 40-60# 313.50-330; 60-80# 327-365; 80-100# 212-240. Ch 2-3 20-40# 227.50-275; 40-60# 230-268.33; 60-80# 206.67-263.33; 80-100# 160.67-186.67; 100-120# 125.67-168.33.
Sheep: Gd 2-3 80-130# 80-100; 130-200# 75-86.67. Utility 1-2 80-130# 67.50-72.50; 130-200# 62.50-72.50.
Goats/Kids: Sel 1 Kids 20-40# 78.33-109; 40-60# 131.67-205; 60-80# 175-235; 80-100# 198.33-280.67. Sel 2 20-40# 70-107.50; 40-60# 86.67-130; 60-80# 120-158.33; 80-100# 117.50-172.50. Sel 3 40-60# 25-50; 60-80# 75-85.
Goats/Nannies: Sel 1 Nannies 80-130# 162.50-210; 130-200# 198.33-256.67. Sel 2 80-130# 131.67-146.67; 130-200# 140-187.50.
Goats/Billies: Sel 1 Billies 100-150# 266.67-343.33; 150-250# 327.50-492.50. Sel 2 100-150# 157.50-292.50; 150-250# 290-352.50.
Goats/Wethers: Sel 1 Wethers 100-150# 252.50-332.50; 150-250# 395-485. Sel 2 100-150# 155-190; 150-250# 165-320.
SOURCE: AG MARKET NEWS LLC

SEYMOURS COMMISSION SALE DeKalb Junction, NY December 15, 2022

Calves/Lb: Grower Over 92#s 1-1.70; Grower 80-92# .40-1.55; Bob Calves .02-.40; Beef Type Calves 1-3.30.
Cull Cows/Lb: Gd .52-.70; Lean .30-.61.
Dairy Replacements: Springing/Handling Heifers 1200-1400/hd.
Swine: Hog .25-.60/lb.
Beef: Feeders .77-1.32lb.
Goats: Meat Goats 112.50/hd.
SOURCE: SEYMOUR'S COMMISSION SALE

WOLGEMUTH AUCTION New Holland, PA December 21, 2022

Alfalfa: 12 ld(s), 75-355.
Mixed: 11 ld(s), 150-300.
Timothy: 4 ld(s), 165-315.
Grass: 18 ld(s), 155-300.
Straw: 3 ld(s), 135-175.
Orchard: 7 ld(s), 180-315.
Corn Fodder: 3 ld(s) 100-140.
SOURCE: WOLGEMUTH AUCTION

2022 PA Soybean Yield Contest winners announced

The results of the 2022 Pennsylvania Soybean Yield Contest reflected the toll a cool spring and hot, dry summer took on soybean yields throughout PA. Lancaster Co. farmer A. Dale Herr Jr. was the commonwealth's top producer in this year's competition. His winning yield was 97.49 bu/acre. Last year, five PA farmers recorded yields of over 100 bu/acre.

"The number of entries and yields in the contest were lower due to this year's growing conditions," said Penn State Extension Senior Educator Andrew Frankenfield, who coordinates the contest with Senior Extension Educator Del Voight. "Many of the contest entries were planted in late April and early May due to cool weather across the state. Rainfall was generally below average all summer. However, timely July and August rains and soil water holding capacity helped the winners. We did not surpass the 100 bushel per acre level that we did last year, but there were two farmers who produced over 90 bushels per acre.

"Generally, there was good harvest weather," Frankenfield continued, "but soybean dry down was not as early as in previous years due to wet conditions during the first half of September. Strong wheat prices prompted many farmers to plant wheat immediately after soybean harvest this year."

The PA Soybean Yield contest, which is sponsored annually by the PA Soybean Board, recognizes not only the statewide grand champion, but also the top growers in each of five production regions of PA, based on maturity maps:

- 1st Place State Overall & South Central Region - A. Dale Herr Jr., Kirkwood (Lancaster Co.) - 97.49 bu/acre
- 1st Place Central Region - Eric Meyers, Mercersburg (Franklin Co.) - 85.05 bu/acre
- 1st Place Southeastern Region - Brad Keifer, Bangor (Northampton Co.) - 93.38 bu/acre
- 1st Place Western Region - Randal Smith, Petrolia (Butler Co.) - 77.7 bu/acre

There were no contest entries in the Northern Region this year.

In addition to the statewide title, Herr was the South Central Region winner with a yield of 97.49 bu/acre, which he harvested on Sept. 28. He planted Pioneer P32T26E variety after corn with a no-till drill on 15-inch rows on April 28. He used a two-pass herbicide program and applied a fungicide and an insecticide. He followed up after harvest planting cereal rye as a cover crop. Herr's area received around 25 inches of rain from planting to harvest, recording rain on 63 days. Rainfall during the growing season in the area was above average except for a dry spell from mid-July and mid-August through early September when they only received 1.5 inches in a three-week period.

Central Region winner Meyers harvested 85.05 bu/acre on Sept. 29 with a Pioneer P36A83 variety. He planted the beans after corn with a no-till corn planter on 30-inch rows on March 23. He used a two-pass herbicide program and applied a fungicide three times and an insecticide. He followed up after harvest by planting wheat for grain. Precipitation was slightly below average all year totaling around 23 inches from planting until harvest with 87 days with precipitation from March 23 to Sept. 29. April and June were the driest months with less than three inches of rain; May was the wettest month with over six inches of rain.

Keifer, the top grower in the Southeastern region, harvested 93.38 bu/acre on Oct. 21 with a Pioneer P38A54E variety. He planted the beans after corn using minimum tillage and planting with a drill on 15-inch rows on May 5. He used a one-pass post herbicide program and applied a fungicide. Precipitation in his area was heavier in April, May and June totaling over 16 inches. Rainfall in July, August and September totaled less than nine inches with July and August around two inches each month. He received about 19 inches of rain from planting until harvest with 54 days of precipitation from May 5 to Sept. 30.

Western Region winner Smith planted Pioneer P28A42X variety. He harvested 77.7 bu/acre on Oct. 25. Smith planted the beans after corn using a no-till corn planter on 15-inch rows on May 13. He used a two-pass herbicide program and applied a fungicide and an insecticide. He followed up after harvest by planting wheat for grain. Conditions in his area recorded above-average precipitation until the end of June. Then it turned dry and by Sept. 1, precipitation was three inches below average. Temperatures were slightly above average all season.

As the top state winner, Herr will receive an educational trip for two to the Commodity Classic, the annual joint convention of the American Soybean Association, National Corn Growers Association, National Association of Wheat Growers and the National Grain Sorghum

Producers. The regional winners will also receive an educational trip to the Commodity Classic.

The contest was introduced by the PA Soybean Board to showcase crop management practices of some of the top soybean producers in the state. A summary of the crop production practices from the 2022 contest entrants will be available from Penn State Extension educators and at pasoybean.org.



A. Dale Herr Jr., statewide winner in the 2022 PA Soybean Yield Contest.

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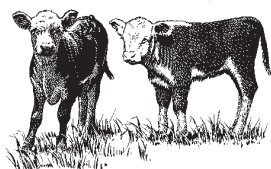
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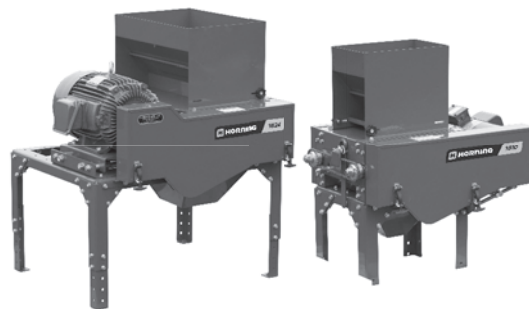
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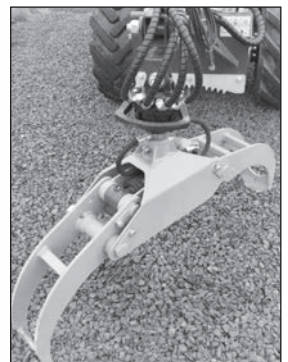
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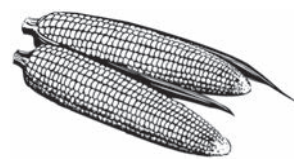
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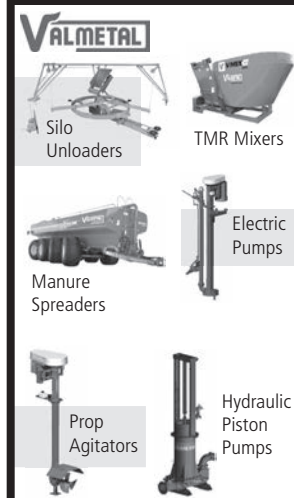
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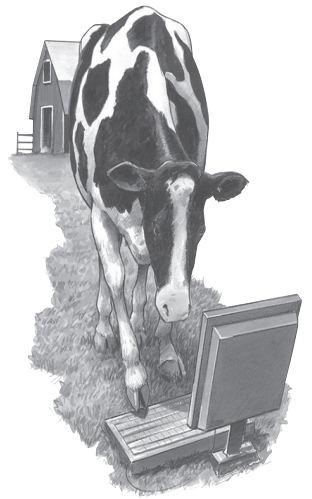


2005 Sterling AT9500
C13 Cat 410hp, 10spd, 12/40k axles, 3.70 ratio, 160" WB, 371K miles
\$29,500



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1. Phone it in

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2. Fax it in

For MasterCard, Visa, American Express or Discover customers, fill out the form below completely and Fax to Peggy at 518-673-2381

3. Mail it in

Fill out the attached form, calculate the cost, enclose your check or credit card information and mail to:

Country Folks Classifieds
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4. Email it in

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Visit www.countryfolks.com and follow the Place a classified Ad button to place your ad 24 hours a day!

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- Country Folks New England
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Number of weeks to run _____



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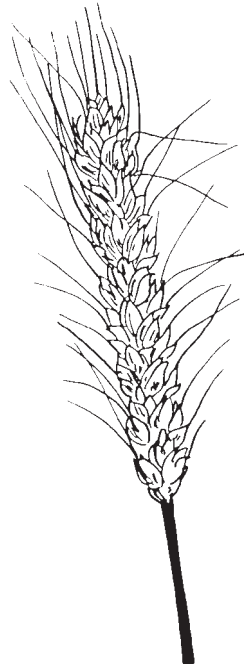
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