



Shown with the high selling calf, Twin Brook Deacon Pamela are from left: John Merryman, auctioneer; John Marchezak, consignor; Nancy Canon; and Don Canon, the new owner.



Showing that Almira of Montview Farm has no white knees to scrub is Susie Hollenbach, Bernville.

## \$1700 top price at Guernsey Breeders Blue Halter sale

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Creek Valors Lilly, a two topped the sale at the year old springing heifer, Guernsey breeders' 2nd Blue

Halter Calf Sale, Saturday. Purchased by Carl E.

Hollenbach, R1 Bernville, the heifer was bred by Galen Furry, Martinsburg. In her first lactation of 330 days, her dam, Potter Creek Colonels Leota produced 19,772 pounds of milk and 801 pounds of fat. Second lactation was 18,600 pounds milk and 743 pounds of fat in 302 days. The heifer was bred to Golden Harvest T H Super.

Susie Hollenbach, Carl's daughter, had her own reasoning about the purchase of a calf. While her parents chose Almira of Montview Farm for Susie on her pedigrees, Susie chose her "so I don't have to scrub white knees." The heifer did indeed have solid colored knees.

At \$1450, Twin Brook Deacon Pamela, topped the calf prices. The seven month old calf was purchased by Don Canon, age 17, Sharon, for his project animal.

Don, a member of Hay-Burners 4-H Dairy Club, termed the animal "sharp and dairy." The calf was sired by the now deceased, Lyrene Wistar Deacon and was consigned and bred by John E. Marchezak, R1 Bentleyville.

Don's mother, Nancy, stated that the family has operated a juggling operation for twenty years. They live on a third generation farm and have 150 head of registered Guernseys.

Tracy Buffington, Millersburg, was one of the

youthful bidders. Although her family has mostly Holsteins, Tracy had her eye on number seven. Tracy was successful with her bid of \$575 in securing the January calf.

When asked her reasons for purchasing a 'colored' calf, Tracy shook her auburn hair and announced, "I want one the color of my hair." Tracy's mother also pointed out that the competition is not as keen in the colored breed category, and that she felt Tracy, age 10, had more chance for success with her Guernsey.

Prices on calves ranged from \$575-\$1450 at the auction conducted by John Merryman, auctioneer. Bulls brought \$375-\$625 and older heifers, \$600-\$1700. All 4-H and FFA members were given a ten percent discount on the purchase price.

The Pennsylvania Guernsey Breeders' Youth Committee was the recipient of half the purchase price of Hollow View Financier Doris consigned by J. Scott Wolff, Quarryville. The open heifer brought \$1075.

According to Ginger Siechrist, sale coordinator, buyers came from as far away as Kentucky for this second sale. She noted that the blue halters were being used to give the annual sale the color and recognition it deserves as an annual auction of quality Guernsey heifers.

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## Sadsbury Twp. to meet on soil erosion problem

LANCASTER — A public meeting on soil conservation and flood control for Sadsbury Township will be held on Tuesday, March 25, at 7:30 p.m. at the Sadsbury Township Municipal Building, located on White Oak Road.

"Soil erosion is a severe problem in Sadsbury Township," according to Nick Yoder, township supervisor. "Each spring and fall, the Township cleans hundreds of tons of eroded topsoil from cornfields out of the road swales. These fields should have conservation practices on them to keep

the soil where it belongs. Conservation practices will also help to relieve the flooding problems we have in Sadsbury Township."

The meeting is being co-sponsored by the Lancaster County Conservation District along with the township supervisors.

Everett Kreider, District director, will be present to share with landowners his experience with conservation practices, making the water "walk", not "run".

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

