Huntingdon Holstein Heifer Sale earns Excellent rating

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HUNTINGDON — Central Pennsylvania farmers gave up a beautiful 60 degree, sunshiny day in the fields last Friday and turned out instead for the Huntingdon County Holstein Heifer Sale.

Brandsdale Star Tippy Leda sold for \$4,700 to top the sale. E. James McMath of Shirleysburg purchased the heifer, consigned by Terry Branstetter of Tyrone. The Edale Pinonia Matt Tippy daughter is out of Bransdale Hope Star Lucy.

Another from the Bransdale Farms in Tyrone commanded \$3,800. Sired by Paclamar Bootmaker, the yearling heifer is out of an Excellent Brandsdale Hope Ideal Lucille. Bransdale Bootmaker Lilac-ET found a new home, again in Tyrone at Blackcrest Farms, operated by John and Robert Black.

Alan Gearhart and his father,

Donald of Martinsburg paid \$2,750 for Blackcrest Molly Chief Pat-Red. The Red and White, consigned by Blackcrest Farms, is a 7-month-old Vincent View Molly Chief daughter. Her dam is Blackcrest Telstar Phyllis-Red.

Autumn-View Stacy of Autumn View Farms in Petersburg travels to the Timothy Peachey farm in Petersburg. A 2-year-old daughter of Straight Pine Elevation Pete, she is out of a Good Gillbrook I Star Lobo. The heifer, bred to S-W-D Valiant, brought \$2,250.

Three other heifers made the \$2,000 mark. R.G. Baker of Martinsburg paid \$2,150 for Globe-Run Glendell Lizzie, consigned by Vera & John Foster, Jr. of Petersburg. The heifer, bred Dec. 6, 1981 to Sweet Haven Tradition, is sired by Glendell Arlinda Chief and comes from a Very Good Globe-Run Elevation LuLu.

Terry Branstetter's Bransdale Proud Mars Susu was purchased by John Foster Jr. The S-W-D Valuant bred heifer, is the daughter of Marshfield Elevation Tony and Bransdale Fond Proud Sis. She sold for \$2,050.

Another top seller, consigned by E. James McMath of Shirleysburg moves to the Bransdale Farms in Tyrone. Bardale Molly Chief Jamie, sired by Vincent View Molly Chief and out of Wipplesacres Elevation Jill, commanded \$2,000.

This was the tenth year for the Huntingdon County Holstein Club's sale at the fairgrounds in Huntingdon. Three young bulls were auctioned off along with the registered and indentified-grade Holsteins.

The highly-organized, fast moving sale netted \$112,350, averaging \$1,101 on 102 head of cattle. The price tags were down slightly from last spring when the average was \$1,300 on 84 animals. This sale, the 84 registered heifers

averaged \$1,169.64, \$800 was the average price of the 15 identified-grades, and the trio of bulls brought an average of \$683.33.

Forty-six bred heifers were moved through the ring at the fairgrounds, bringing an average figure on \$1,400, \$879.55 showed up as the average price for the 11 open heifers sold, 27 registered calves

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County Agent Harold Lockoff called the sale an "excellent turnout for the times." John Foster, Jr., sale chairman for the seventh year, says he was pleased considering that the farmers could have chosen spring field work at home over the sale.



This seven-month-old Red and White heifer, Blackcrest Molly Chief Pat-Red, brought \$2,750 at Huntingdon County sale. In front row, from the left, are John Foster Jr., sale chairman; John Black, of Blackcrest Farms, consignor; Alan and Donald Gearhart, buyers. In the back, from the left, are auctioneer Mark Glick, Phyllis Yoder, Huntingdon County Dairy Princess; and Galen Gilliland, pedigrees.



Autumn-View Stacy sold for a top bid of \$2,250 at Huntingdon County Sale. In front row, from the left, are Timothy Peachey, Petersburg, buyer; Jim and Kim Grove, Petersburg, consignors; and John Foster Jr., sale chairman. In back row, from the left, are auctioneer Mark Glick, Phyllis Yoder, Huntingdon County Dairy Princess; and Galen Gilliland, pedigrees.



Top seller at \$4,700 at the Huntingdon County Holstein Heifer Sale is Bransdale Star Tippy Leda. Shown with her are, standing from the left, E. James McMath, buyer; Terry

Branstetter, consignor; and John Foster Jr., sale chairman. In the booth, from the left, are auctioneer Mark Glick, Mrs. James McMath and Galen Gilliland, pedigrees.



Year-old Bransdale Bootmaker Lilac-ET was purchased for \$3,800 by Blackcrest Farms at Huntgindon County Sale. In front row, from the left, are Terry Branstetter, consignor; John Foster Jr., sale chairman; and John

Black, buyer. In the rear, from the left, are auctioneer Mark Glick, Phyllis Yoder, Huntingdon County Dairy Princess; and Galen Gilliland, pedigrees.

McSparran on Board

ROSEMONT, Ill. — Robert B. McSparran, Peach Bottom, Pennsylvania, was elected to the Board of Directors of the United Dairy Industry Association at the organization's 12th Annual Meeting held recently in Orlando, Florida.

A dairy industry leader, Mc-Sparran has served Interstate as district director, chairman of the Executive Committee, and president since 1966. He has also served as a director of the Holly Milk Co-op and director of the Board of Quality Control Laboratory. In addition, he is a member of State Agricultural Council of Pennsylvania and a member of the National Milk Producers Federation.

McSparran owns and operates a 200-acre dairy farm in Lancaster County with 130 Guernsey cattle and 60 milking cows. Every year he produces and sells more than 600,000 pounds of milk. He also raises corn, alfalfa and soybeans.

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