

## Private sale results in \$15,000 Holstein

**BY LAURA ENGLAND**  
LANCASTER — York County dairyman Joseph Stump usually isn't surprised when one of his registered Holstein cows sells for \$2,000. But offer him \$15,000 — and through a private sale, at that — and his surprise turns to immediate joy.

Stump and his wife, Glendora, owners of Stump-Acres Farm, of York R10, recently sold one of their top three-year-old cows for a "surprising" \$15,000. Surprising it was, Stump said, because buyers Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Freese, of Glee Hi Holsteins in Oxford, came to Stump-Acres to look over another Holstein, but bought

Stump-Acres JetStar Pace JetGo instead.

Stump, who's been farming for 35 years and selling cattle for 20, said he had not thought about selling his homebred JetGo, but "when they offered \$15,000 for her, I thought, why not?"

JetGo, who classified very good at 85 points, was sired by Keystone Elevation Camaro. Stump purchased Camaro at six months of age from Don Seipt of Keystone Farm, Easton. Camaro is currently under lease at Select Sires. JetGo's dam is Stump-Acres MyJet King JetStar, who classified excellent at 90 points.

As a three-year-old, JetGo

produced 30,956 pounds of milk and 1,396 pounds of fat at a 4.4 percent test. She is the ninth generation of the ADA Pontiac Countess cow family which holds a nearly perfect record of 4.0 or higher percent butterfat. The only flaw comes from the third generation dam, Countess Pontiac Lauxmont, who had two records under 4.0 percent — 3.8 and 3.9 percent.

JetGo's granddam, Stump-Acres Jet Bright MyJet, had two tests over 5.0 percent butterfat. Another family member, Ada Regal Lucifer Myrtle, was recognized in 1962 as the first cow in York County to achieve a lactation fat record over 1,000 pounds. This she did as a

four-year-old with 22,988 pounds of milk at a 4.6 percent fat test.

JetGo is just one of the 380 plus head of cattle that Stump has sold over the past five years. He first began merchandizing cattle 20 years ago with the selling of bulls for stud service. He then began selling calves, heifers and cows.

Stump-Acres now has breeding stock in 12 states, plus Puerto Rico.

Named a Master Farmer and the Outstanding Young Farmer over 30 in 1981, Stump took over the family's dairy herd when he was 16 and his father had died. The current herd totals 250 cattle, including calves, heifers, cows and bulls.



Stump-Acres JetStar Pace JetGo, pictured as a 2-year-old, recently brought \$15,000 through private sale for her owners Joseph and Glendora Stump, R10 York.

### Farm Calendar

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6:45 p.m., Annville-Cleona High School cafeteria.

Woodland management workshop, 7 p.m., Hibernia County Park, Chester County.

Cumberland DHIA Workshop, 8 p.m., Big Spring Senior High, Newville.

Wayne County Dairy Day, 9:30 a.m.-3:15 p.m., Veterans Memorial Armory.

Pesticide Update Training, Cumberland County Extension, Carlisle.

Harford County, Md. Holstein Banquet, 7 p.m., Emory United Methodist Church, Street, Md.

Friday, March 16

4-H Auction, 6 p.m., York 4-H Center.

Lamb grading workshop, Greencastle, continues tomorrow.

N.J. Holstein Assn. Dairy Herd Management Seminar, 7:30 p.m., Floyd Schwab farm, Rt. 514, mile east of Ringoes.

Saturday, March 17

Pa. Ayrshire Breeders Assn., Embers, Carlisle.

Small Farms Livestock Conference, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Mercer County Extension Center.

Berks County Guernsey Breeders Assn. annual meeting, 11 a.m., Shartlesville Grange Hall.

Bradford County New Jersey Farm Tour, 10 a.m.

Pa. Brown Swiss Assn. SE Canton #4, 11:30 a.m., Cloister Restaurant, Ephrata.

## Now is the Time

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is important to wait until the soil is dried out sufficiently before taking this heavy equipment over the fields. When the soil is worked too wet, it becomes hard and forms clods. This type of soil structure will not give you the best yields. Don't be in too big a hurry, slow down and let the weather catch up to you.

### To Prune Fruit Trees

Whether you have a few or several hundred fruit trees, orchard pruning need not be delayed until spring. It may be started in colder weather. But it is a good practice to work on the hardiest trees first.

Early pruning can involve some problems from winter injury, but in many cases an early start will be necessary to complete pruning of large orchards before spring. By confining early work to the older, harder trees, fruit growers can keep injury to a minimum.

Apple and pear trees are the hardiest of the fruits, with plums and sour cherries next in order. Because peach and sweet cherries are most tender, delay their pruning, particularly the younger trees, until later in March.

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