

Spring Spectacular Sale offers sharp selections



Rynd-Home Prestar Patrice, a July 1984 heifer, secured the top bid of \$2400 at the Spring Spectacular Sale. From left are: David Livingston, buyer; Art Moore, selector; Mark Campbell, contender; Paul Lawrence, consignor; Ralph Moore, leadsman. In the box are Roy Simpson, pedigrees, and Sherman Allen, auctioneer.



Nine-year-old Christylynn Curtis purchased the second-high selling consignment with a bid of \$2300.

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MERCER — A break in the weather, providing a warm spring day in western Pennsylvania, allowed Holstein breeders to make some special purchases at the recent Spring Spectacular Sale, held at Mercer 4-H Park and sponsored by the Mercer County Holstein Club.

While a fine 3-year-old cow brought \$2100 early in the sale, bids on two heifers later in the day exceeded that amount.

The tall, sharp Rynd-Home Prestar Patrice topped the sale with a bid of \$2400 from David Livingston and Ed Doeberier, both from Jamestown. Contender for the July 1984 consignment was Mark Campbell Sr., Ford City.

Paul Lawrence, New Castle, consigned the Leadfield Prestar daughter. The heifer is from an 87 point Apollo dam, milking 19,000 pounds milk.

The second high selling heifer, Campbell-Run Columbus Loni, caught the eye of 9-year-old Christylynn M. Curtis, Union City. Under the watchful eye of her father, the young Curtis put the final bid of \$2,300 on the September 1984 heifer, outbidding Don Eden, a North Carolina Holstein breeder.

All Mercer County youth at the sale who did their own bidding were given a 10 percent discount, while the other young bidders could take advantage of a 5 percent discount. Curtis, a second year member of the Townville Champs 4-H Dairy Club, was one of 10 youngsters to make discounted purchases.

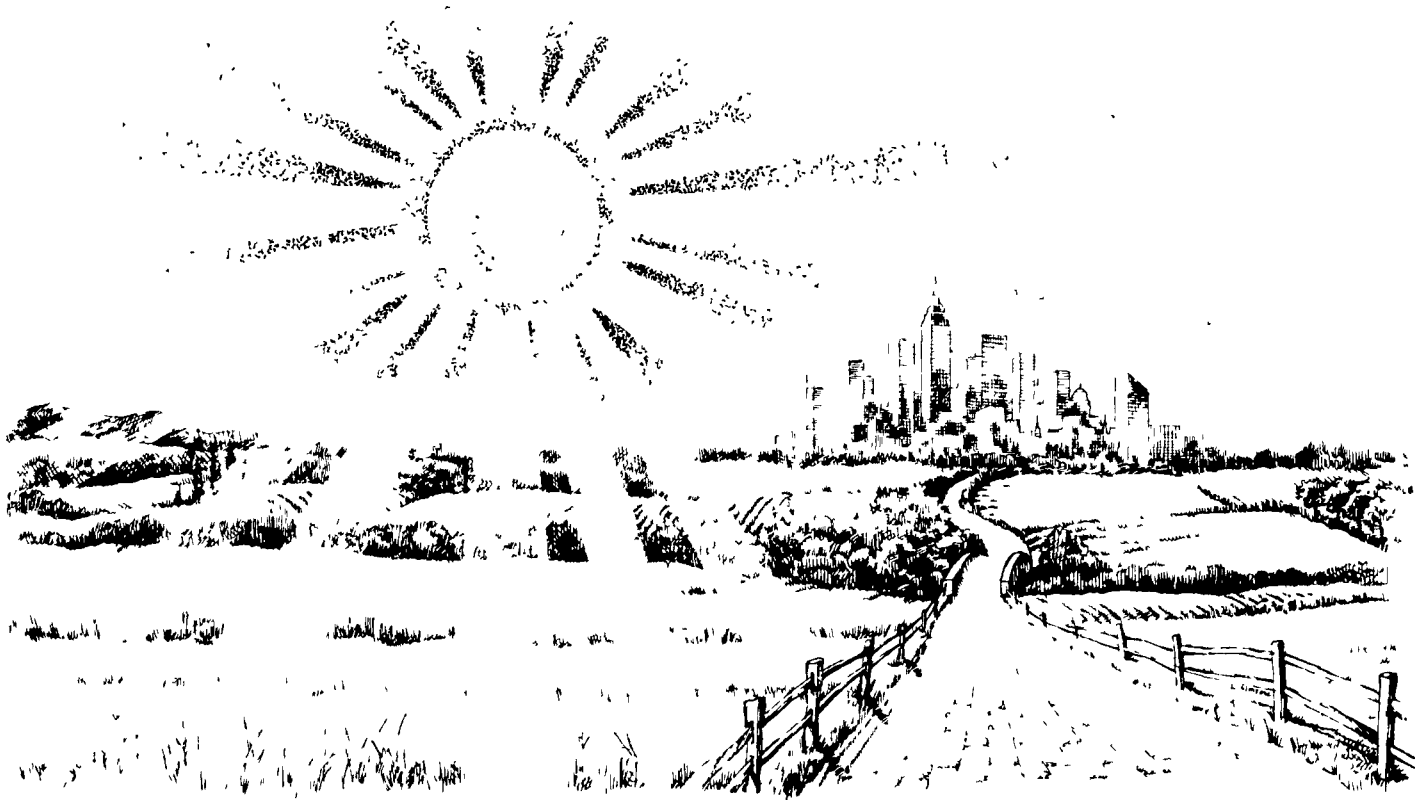
Top selling cow of the sale was Maplescrow Tony Harriet, a 3-year-old who was fresh on March 27 and is milking 80 pounds a day. The 85 point Elevation Tony daughter was sold by Robert A. and Barbara J. Freyermuth, Meadville, to Dr. John Steele, Greenville, for \$2100.

Steele purchased four additional consignments, making him the volume buyer of the day. Scott Welker did the bidding for Steele.

The sale average on 58 head was \$1024, down slightly from last year's sale.

Selections were made by Arthur Moore, Mercer, and Laszlo Mozes, Greenville. Auctioneer was Sherman Allen, while Roy Simpson, Butler, read pedigrees.

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Manheim Twp. supervisors to discuss ag preservation

LANCASTER — There will be a public hearing by the Manheim Township supervisors on Monday, April 22, at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Municipal Building.

The hearing will be to determine if the township should have agricultural zoning for 1,000 acres in the township, a first and necessary step toward the formation of an Agricultural Preserve. The zoning has been recommended by the planning commission, but has not been acted upon by the supervisors.

The proposed 1,000 acre tract adjoins an additional 1,100 acre tract in Warwick Township which would make up the proposed preserve.