

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

April 4-10, 1988

Baseball season opens.

Average length of days for the week 13 hours Susanna Salter elected first woman Mayor in Argonia Kansas April 4 1887 Julius and Ethel Rosenberg sentenced to death for espionage April 15 1951 Robert Edwin Peary reached the North Pole April 9 1909 Birthday of the Buddha April 8 564 B.C. Last quarter of the moon April 9 (Sat) General Robert F. Lee surrendered to Ulysses S. Grant April 9 1865  
*He that looks not before find himself behind*



**Ask the Old Farmer:** Where did the name Buzzards Bay come from? M.B. New Bedford Mass

Early explorers found the bay show full of the nests of the osprey or fish-eagle. Not knowing what the birds were they called them buzzards.

**Home Hints:** Remove stubborn water spots from windows by wiping them with a vinegar soaked cloth.

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

**New England:** Light rain at beginning of week heavy rain mid week with snow in mountains end of week clear and warm  
**Greater New York-New Jersey:** Week begins with showers and warm temperatures midweek rainstorm end of week sunny  
**Middle Atlantic Coastal:** Light rain at beginning of week mid week heavy rain and warm temperatures sunny south end of week clear and pleasant

**Piedmont & Southeast Coastal:** Beginning of week sunny and warm showers west midweek rainy and cold heavy west end of week sunny and warm rain south

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## Leesport Livestock

### Auction

Leesport, PA

Wed., March 30, 1988

**CATTLE 197...PDA...** Supply included 36 head feeder cattle. Compared to last Wednesday's market: Slaughter steers and Cows steady to \$1 higher. Few High Choice & Prime sl. steers 73.50-74.75, few Choice 72.25-73.85, few Select 66-71.25, Select & Choice 1150/1450 lbs. holsteins 64-68.75, few 71.50, Standard 55.75-63.25. Few

Choice sl. heifers 67.00-73.00, one Select 60.00, few Standard 53.25-57.85. Breaking Utility and Commercial sl. cows 49.25-52.60, couple 56.75, Cutter & Bon. Utility 48-51.75, few 52.75, Canner & Low Cutter 46.00-49.60, Shells down to 38.25

Few Choice sl. bullocks 64.25-69, Select 61.50-64.50, few Standard 54.75-58.25. Few Yield Grade No. 1, 1240/1770 lbs. sl. bulls 59.50-63.75, few No. 2, 1030/1210 lbs 55.50-58.00 Feeder Cattle: Lot Medium Frame No. 1, 465 lbs steers 83.00, lot Large #2, 590 lbs. 68.00, few 875/985 lbs. 56.75-59.50. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 300/435 lbs. heifers 75.00-84, few 530/710 lbs 60.00-70.00. Lot Medium Frame No. 1, 730 lbs. bulls 65.00.

**CALVES 200...** Vealers steady to strong. Few Choice 109.00-118, few Good 102.00-110, Standard and Good 85/105 lbs 85.00-91, 75/85 lbs 75.00-85, few Utility 90/105 lbs 80.00-85, 50/75 lbs. 45.00-60.00. Farm Calves: Holstein Bulls 95/125 lbs. 117.50-131, some down to 94.00, 80/95 lbs. 85.00-95.00; Hol. Heifers 95/125 lbs. 132.50-152.00 Beef Cross Bulls and Heifers 70/175 lbs. 92.50-125, one 135.00.

**HOGS 403.** Barrows and Gilts \$2.50 to \$3.50 lower. US No 1-2 205/245 lbs barrows and gilts 40.85-41.25, lot 41.75, 1-3 215/250 lbs. 40.50-41, 2-3 215/250 lbs 40.00-40.70, few 2-4 250/275 lbs. 37.50-40.25, few 1-3 175/185 lbs. 37.50-40.75 Sows \$1 to \$2 lower. US No. 1-3 330/750 lbs. sows 30.00-34.25, one 34.75. Boar, one 30.00, few light weights 35.00-35.25.

**FEEDER PIGS 191.** Few US No 1-3 15/20 lbs. feeder pigs 30.00-34.00 per head, few 25/25 lbs. 125.00-172.50, 25/45 lbs 99.00-115, 60/85 lbs. 67.00-71.00 --- per hundredweight

**SHEEP 187.** Bulk of supply Spring slaughter lambs sold for the Easter trade. Choice and Prime 20/45 lbs. spring sl lambs 170.00-200, 45/55 lbs 140.00-162,

few 60/110 lbs. 100.00-112.50; Good & Choice 30/50 lbs. 125.00-165.00, Good & Choice 70/110 lbs. woolled lambs 68.00-89, couple to 97.00 Slaughter sheep 15.00-32.00, couple to 38.00

**GOATS 102.** Few Large Adult 39.00-60, Medium and Thin 26.00-38, Kids 34.00-61, Small Kids 20.00-33.00 --- all per head

## Eighty-Four Livestock

### Auction

Eighty-Four, Pa.

Mon., March 28, 1988

**CATTLE 276...PDA...** Compared with last week's market: Slaughter cows fully steady. Choice sl. steers, individual's 69.50&70, Select 64.50-69, few Standard 60.00-65.00. Choice sl. heifer, individual 68.00, few Select 61.00-65, Standard 54-58.50, Utility 49.00-54.00 Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 49-53.75, one 54.50, Cutter & Bon. Utility 46-50.50, Canner & Low Cutter 40-46.50, Shells down to 28.00. Yield Grade No. 1, 1300/2000 lbs. sl. bulls 58.00-68, few No 2, 800/1100 lbs. 52.00-55.00. Feeder Cattle: Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 280/500 lbs. steers 80.00-100, 600/850 lbs. 66.00-77, few Large #2, 400 lbs. 75.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 300/500 lbs. heifers 70.00-81, 550/750 lbs. 60.00-70.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 360/500 lbs. bulls 80.00-94, few Large #2, 840 lbs. 55.00.

**CALVES 249...** Few Choice vealers 115.00-122.50, Good 95.00-112.50, Standard and Good 90/120 lbs. 75.00-88, 60/85 lbs. 67.00-76, Utility 50/70 lbs. 48.00-57.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls 90/120 lbs. 100.00-152.00; few Holstein

Heifers 85/115 lbs. 90.00-128.00.

**HOGS 151.** Barrows and gilts .50 to \$1 lower US No. 1-2 218/245 lbs. 41.50-42, 1-3 230/265 lbs 41.00-41.60, small lot 2-3 275 lbs. 40.75, 2-4 280/330 lbs 37.00-38.00. US No 1-3 350/600 lbs. sows 34.00-36.50. Boars 25.00-31.00

**FEEDER PIGS 8.** Few US No. 1-3 30/35 lbs. feeder pigs 18.00-20.00 - per head.

**SHEEP 721...** Bulk Spring slaughter lambs sold to Easter Trade. High Choice & Prime 27/34 lbs. spring lambs 130.00-150, 35/45 lbs. 125.00-135, 45/55 lbs. 105.00-124, 58/75 lbs. 90.00-98, 85/90 lbs. 85.00-88, Choice 20/30 lbs. 90.00-125, 34/45 lbs. 100.00-129, 50/65 lbs. 85.00-105.00, Good & Choice 50/70 lbs. feeder lambs 60.00-83.00. Slaughter sheep 20.00-29.00

**GOATS 76.** Large 40.00-50.00, Medium 25.00-36.00, Small Kids 10.00-22.00, Large Kids 24.00-33.00 --- all per head.

## Peoria Sheep

Peoria, Ill.

Tues., March 29, 1988

**SHEEP: 100 SLAUGHTER LAMBS STEADY TO 1.00 LOWER. NOT ENOUGH SLAUGHTER EWES FOR A MARKET TEST.**

**OLD CROP SHORN SLAUGHTER LAMBS: CHOICE 110-120 LBS. 75.00-78.00 FEW 55-70 LB. EASTER LAMBS 1.00-1.10.**

# MELHORN SALES, SERVICE, TRUCKING CO.

1010 W. Main St., Mount Joy, PA 17552

## DEKALB XL

The Bird For All The Reasons...  
 Egg Numbers, Livability,  
 Feed Conversion. Also, The  
 Bird For All The Seasons...

DEKALB XL-Link



## Please Review These Three Lancaster County Flocks Housed During Last Summers HOT Weather

### PRODUCTION:

#### FARM A

59,120 DEKALB XL  
 Housed 6/15/87 - 20 Weeks

#### FARM B

31,009 DEKALB XL  
 Housed 7/6/87 - 20 Weeks

Age	House #1	House #2	
20	7%	6.7%	
21	30.6%	30.2%	11 %
22	59.2%	59.4%	35 %
23	79.9%	80.1%	59.2%
24	88.3%	88.4%	79.0%
25	92.3%	92.2%	89.7%
26	93.9%	93.9%	94.0%
27	94.2%	94.0%	95.6%
28	94.5%	94.4%	95.5%
29	94.2%	94.3%	95.7%
30	93.9%	94.2%	95.4%
35	92.7%	91.9%	95.1% (9 weeks over 95%)
<b>CASE WEIGHT AT 35 Weeks:</b>	<b>46.25#</b>	<b>46.0#</b>	<b>48.2#</b>
<b>LIVABILITY Through 35 Weeks:</b>	<b>98.74%</b>	<b>98.77%</b>	

Performance under variable conditions makes the DEKALB XL the right bird anytime of the year. To put the DEKALB XL to work for you, call on the only full service company, in this area, to handle the total needs of the poultrymen.



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**717-653-1102**

Monday - Friday 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM



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We Need Tomato Growers  
 Guaranteed paid price per ton.  
 Call 717-284-4793 or 717-786-3189  
 Southern Lancaster County Area

## HAY & STRAW SALE

12:00 Noon  
 Every Wednesday  
 Westend of Avondale at the intersection of Baltimore Pike and Route 41.

Harvey Z. Martin  
 215-268-3604 (Office)  
 215-445-5303 (Residence)

## HAY & STRAW AUCTION EVERY THURSDAY AT 1 PM

VINTAGE SALES STABLES, INC.  
 10 miles East of Lancaster on Rt. 30, Paradise, PA  
 717-442-4181 or 768-8204  
 L. Robert Frame, Mgr

## KING'S AUCTION KIRKWOOD

Hay, Straw and Grain Auction EVERY TUESDAY 12:00  
 Located Rt. 472 5 miles south of Quarryville or 6 miles north of Oxford corner of Rt. 472 and Noble Road at Route Tobacco Station.  
 Lloyd H. Kreider, Auctioneer AU-000513L  
 No out of state checks ALL TRUCKERS AND FARMERS WELCOME

## BOURBON SPRINGS FARM SPRING SALE

Saturday, April 9, 1988  
 7:00 p.m.

Leinbach's Farm Market (Route 11 approximately 1 1/2 miles North of Shippensburg).  
 Guest Consignor: Lemmon Farm

**100 Project Pigs for July and August Shows**  
 Last year's show winners included: Perry Co. - Grand and Reserve Ch. 4-H Mkt. Hogs; Cumberland Co. - Grand Champion 4-H Mkt. Hog; Lycoming Co. - Grand Champion 4-H Mkt. Hog.

**10 Service Age Boars  
 20 Open Gilts  
 Durocs, Spots,  
 Yorks, Crossbreds**

Brucellosis and Pseudorabies Free Herds.

Auctioneer: Harry H. Bachman (717) 867-1809 AU000033-L  
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