Auction Kutztown

(Continued from Page A21) We need producers to guarantee there will be plenty of produce at the auction," Weaver said.

According to Weaver there will be tomatoes, cantalopes, broccoli, peppers, and cauliflower at the auction as well. "We will have most things although no one has said they will be growing egg plant yet."

One couple that hopes to both buy and sell at the auction is Steve and Gayle Ganser. The Gansers own a farm market on Rte. 100 in Trexlertown and supply produce to 15 restaurants in the area. They also grow 68 different things on their small vegetable farm near Kutztown. "We're looking to sell extra vegetables at the auction when we have too many come in at the same time for us to sell at the market. We have also put in extra beans, watermelon, tomatoes, broccoli, squash and cucumbers specifically to sell through the auction. We're hoping that some nongrowers will get involved with a market so close to home," Ganser said.

The Gansers plan on buying

demand. "We always need sweet corn and strawberries," Ganser said.

"We hope buyers are patient enough to let the auction get established. It will take a while to get going," his wife added.

The Gansers added a few tips for first time growers. "Vegetables take a lot of labor, hand labor. It is the thing that dictates how much you can do. Also start with a major vegetable because you know there will be a market," Ganser said.

The Gansers choices for a first time grower included tomatoes, cantaloupe, sweet corn, and broccoli.

Weaver cautioned growers to listen to the buyers. "Buyers are looking for quality. Produce should be picked a few hours before market."

With that in mind Weaver said the auction has great potential. "We will be selling to wholesalers not retailers. We hope to serve as a bridge between growers and buyers.'

Burkholder added that the group had visited a number of other auctions and hoped to use the experience to improve the Kutztown operation. "We will be supplying boxes with our logo printed on it. We also hope to speed up the auction process by moving the produce to the auctioneer rather than moving people to the produce. We think that will save a lot of time."

The auction is scheduled to open in the middle of May. "We plan on being open Tuesdays and Thursdays. At certain times of the season, say when the cantaloupes come in, we may be open 5 or 6 days. We don't anticipate having too much of any crop unless everything comes in at once. We do recommend spreading things out with continual plantings."

The auction will close down around Thanksgiving depending on when the killing frost occurs.

For growers or buyers needing directions or more information on the auction, contact James Weaver (215) 682-6094.

Spring Holstein Show

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Senior 3-Year-Old Maple Flat Odyssey Ricky Deanna Sparling Welk Crest Eddie Lou Ella Matthew Welk HM Tammi Henry Miller

4-Year-Old Globe Run G Word Trisha Anissa Kensinger Ebe Tice Ultimate Marcy Morrell Farms Gor Wood D Valian Racquete Gordon & Dorothy Wood

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