



MARCH 16-22, 1992

FULL SAP MOON, MARCH 18

OF EGGS AND SEASONS

The vernal equinox occurs at 3:48 A.M. EST on March 20 this year. At that time, the Sun crosses the equator, moving from the southern hemisphere to the northern hemisphere. This first day of spring signifies harmony and balance in nature as the days are briefly equal to the nights before the longer days of spring arrive. The earth awakens from its winter slumber and signs of new life abound.

Eggs have long been a symbol of fertility and new life, and figure in many spring rituals. Some say the ancient Chinese originated the custom of balancing eggs at the spring equinox. The old legend says that eggs will stand upright unsupported on their fat ends at the time of the equinox. In New York, thirty dozen eggs reportedly balanced for 15 minutes in 1984. Early risers may want to try at themselves to bring good luck in the new growing season.

Don't say that spring has come until you can put your foot on nine daisies.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Houseplants get a boost when watered with non-saline aquarium water.

EARTHWISE

Many popular houseplants have been found to cleanse the air of toxins and pollution. Some of the most effective plants and the substances they remove are: Aloe vera (many toxins), English ivy (benzene), Ficus or fig trees (formaldehyde), potted chrysanthemum (general pollution), many toxins, and spider plants (formaldehyde). Be careful to hang the English ivy out of reach of small children and pets, as its leaves can be toxic themselves if ingested.

PRAGUE COOKIES

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| 1/2 cup unsalted butter | 1/2 cup flour |
| 3 tablespoons sugar | <i>Topping:</i> |
| 3 egg yolks | apricot jam |
| | 3 egg whites |
| | 1/2 cup sugar |
| | cinnamon |

Cream butter. Add sugar yolks and flour. Mix well. Spread on a buttered 9x9 pan. Cover with a thin layer of apricot jam. Beat egg whites until stiff and add sugar gradually to make a meringue. Spread over jam layer and sprinkle lightly with cinnamon. Bake at 325 F until lightly browned (about 30 minutes). Cut into squares while still warm. Makes about 36 squares.

THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST



NORTHEAST: Snowy and cold midweek, sunny seasonable east then very cold, more snow.

SOUTHEAST: Cold, rainy north coast and deep south, sunny elsewhere, then cold rain, snow warm Florida.

MIDWEST: Very cold and snowy, heavy east light in the north.

NORTHWEST: Sunny and warm east, cold and snowy then milder, mountains and coast. Finally cold, some flurries.

SOUTHWEST: California and desert sunny and warm, east and mountains cold, some rain, some snow.

Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa.

Monday, March 9, 1992

SLAUGHTER CATTLE RECEIPTS: 523 HEAD.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: 138 HEAD. TREND: STEADY. HIGH CHOICE AND PRIME 2-4 75.00-78.00; CHOICE 2-3 950-1075 LBS. 67.00-74.00; CHOICE 2-3 1075-1375 LBS. 70.00-75.75; CHOICE 2-3 OVER 1375 LBS. 65.00-73.75; CHOICE 4 ALL WEIGHTS 65.00-71.75; SELECT & CHOICE 1-2 950-1100 LBS. 65.00-72.75; SELECT & CHOICE 1-2 1100-1375 LBS. 64.00-72.00; SELECT & CHOICE 1-2 OVER 1375 LBS. 64.00-71.50.

HOLSTEINS: CHOICE 2-3 1050-1450 LBS. 63.75-69.00; SELECT 1-2 1050-1450 LBS. 57.00-63.75.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: 70 HD. TREND: STEADY. CHOICE 2-3 850-1000 LBS. 62.00-72.00; CHOICE 2-3 1000-1250 LBS. 70.00-77.50; CHOICE 4 ALL WEIGHTS 64.00-71.75; SELECT & CHOICE 1-2 850-1000 LBS. 64.00-73.00; SELECT & CHOICE 1-2 1000-1250 LBS. 65.00-74.25.

HOLSTEINS: CHOICE 2-3 1000-1350 LBS. 58.00-64.00; SELECT & CHOICE 1-2 1000-1350 LBS. 55.00-58.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: 24 HD. TREND: STEADY TO STRONGER. YIELD GRADE 1 ALL WEIGHTS 64.00-74.00, YIELD GRADE 2 ALL WEIGHTS 57.00-63.00.

BULLOCKS: 6 HEAD. CHOICE 1-3 1150-1375 LBS. 63.00-66.75; SELECT 1-2 950-1250 LBS. 66.00-74.50.

COWS: 285 HD. TREND: STEADY TO STRONGER. BREAKING UTILITY & COMMERCIAL 47.50-54.00; CUTTER & BONING UTILITY 46.00-53.00; CANNER & LOW CUTTER 46.00 & DOWN.

STOCKER & FEEDER CATTLE RECEIPTS: 810 HD. (INCLUDES RESULTS OF FEEDER CATTLE SALE MARCH 6.) TREND: STEADY TO WEAKER. BEEF TYPES: 200-400 LBS. STEERS 84.00-102.00, BULLS 77.00-99.00, HEIFERS 72.00-89.00; 400-600 LBS. STEERS 75.00-92.00, BULLS 70.00-84.00, HEIFERS 70.00-81.00; 600-800 LBS. STEERS 70.00-84.50, BULLS 64.00-74.00, HEIFERS 65.00-74.00; 800-975 LBS. 68.00-78.50, BULLS 60.00-64.00, HEIFERS 62.00-67.50.

HOLSTEINS & DAIRY CROSS:

200-400 LBS. STEERS 70.00-85.50, BULLS 65.00-79.00, HEIFERS 80.00-100.00; 400-600 LBS. STEERS 60.00-71.00, BULLS 60.00-64.00, HEIFERS 70.00-75.00; 600-800 LBS. STEERS 60.00-66.00, BULLS 50.00-60.00, HEIFERS 60.00-67.50; 800-975 LBS. STEERS 54.00-61.00, BULLS 47.00-57.00, HEIFERS 50.00-61.00.

CALVES: VEAL CALVES: TREND: STEADY. CHOICE 150-300 LBS. 90.00-113.00; GOOD 150-300 LBS. 85.00-100.00; GOOD 100-150 LBS. 80.00-85.00; STANDARD 80-100 LBS. 73.00-80.00; STANDARD 80 LBS. AND DOWN 80.00 & DOWN.

CALVES RETURNING TO THE FARM: TREND: STEADY-STRONGER. HOLSTEIN BULLS OVER 100 LBS. UP TO 161.00; UNDER 100 LBS. UP TO 155.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS OVER 100 LBS. UP TO 187.50; UNDER 100 LBS. UP TO 167.50; BEEF TYPE BULLS OVER 90 LBS. UP TO 180.00; BEEF TYPE HEIFERS OVER 90 LBS. UP TO 170.00.

SHEEP & LAMBS: 72 HD. LAMBS: TREND: STEADY TO STRONGER. CHOICE 80-100 LBS. 60.00-72.00; 100-120 LBS. 57.00-63.00, 120 AND OVER 47.00-55.00; MEDIUM & GOOD ALL WEIGHTS 55.00-68.00, LIGHT LAMBS 75.00-90.00.

SHEEP: EWES LEAN 25.00-34.00; EWES FAT 25.00-35.00; YEARLINGS 35.00-45.00; BUCKS 27.00-33.00.

GOATS: 160 HD. SMALL 19.00-40.00; MEDIUM 32.00-56.00; LARGE 50.00-104.00.

HOGS, SOWS & BOARS: 141 HD. HOGS, BARROWS & GILTS: TREND: STEADY. 210-250 LBS. 37.00-40.00, 250-260 LBS. 36.00-39.00; 260-270 LBS. 35.00-36.75; 270-300 LBS. 34.00-36.00. LIGHT HOGS: 140-180 LBS. 30.00-34.00; 180-210 LBS. 33.00-36.00.

SOWS: TREND: STEADY. GOOD SOWS UNDER 400 LBS. 31.00-34.00; GOOD SOWS OVER 400 LBS. 32.00-35.25; CULL SOWS ALL WEIGHTS 29.00 & DOWN.

BOARS: TREND: STEADY. 180-210 LBS. 28.00-30.00; 210-260 LBS. 30.00-34.50; 300 LBS. & OVER 22.00-25.00.

SALE EVERY MONDAY AT 2:00 P.M. & EVERY THURSDAY AT 1:00 P.M.

HAY & STRAW SALE EVERY MONDAY & THURSDAY AT 11:30 A.M.

SPECIAL FEEDER CATTLE SALE: FRIDAY, APRIL 3, 1992 AT 7:15 P.M. SPECIAL FEEDER PIG SALE: SATURDAY, MAR. 28, 1992 AT 1:00 P.M.

Frederick Livestock Auction

Frederick, Md. March 9, 1992

Report Supplied by Auction

- SLAUGHTER COWS: 102 HD. STEADY TO 1.00 HIGHER. UTILITY 47.00-50.00; HIGH DRESSING TO 52.00; CANNERS 44.00-47.00; SHELLY 44.00 DOWN.

BULLS: YG #1 TO 63.75; YG#2 55.00-60.00.

FED STEERS: NO SELECT OR CHOICE; STANDARD 54.00-60.00.

FED HEIFERS: FEW CHOICE 900 LBS. AT 64.00-66.00.

VEAL CALVES: CHOICE, NONE; GOOD 80.00-87.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 75.00-83.00; 50-80 LBS. 63.00-75.00; WEAK/ROUGH 60.00 DOWN.

FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 90-120 LBS. 145.00-163.00; #2 110-140.00; 75-85 LBS. 100.00-125.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 85-115 LBS. 135.00-160.00; #2 75-90 LBS. 85.00-110.00; BEEF X BULLS AND HEIFERS 130.00-157.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 60 HEAD, 1.00 HIGHER. US#1&2 246 LBS. TO 39.50; #1&3 215-260 LBS. 38.50-39.00; 270-285 LBS. 35.00-36.00.

SOWS: FEW 500-650 LBS. TO 34.50. BOARS: NONE.

STOCK CATTLE: STEERS, NO LIGHTWEIGHTS; 500-700 LBS. 74.00-84.50; 700-850 LBS. 68.00-80.00; 850-1000 LBS. 55.00-66.50.

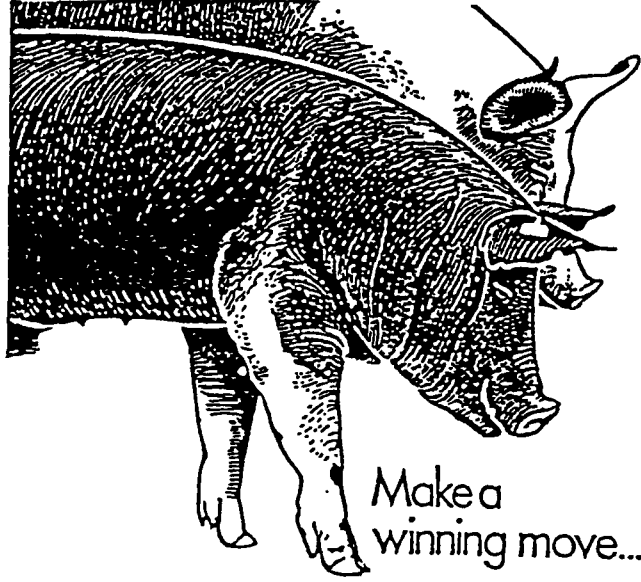
HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. FEW TO 75.00; 500-700 LBS. 65.00-83.50; HOLSTEINS FEW 500 LBS. TO 83.00; BEEF STOCK COWS AND HEIFERS 800-950 LBS. 56.00-68.00.

BULLS: FEW HOLSTEIN 300-500 LBS. 74.00-84.00; 1 HOLSTEIN 885 LBS. AT 62.00.

LAMBS: 1 CHOICE 80 LBS. AT 68.00. SHEEP: 19.00-35.00.

GOATS: LARGE 55.00-61.00; MEDIUM 30.00-55.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE HEAD, 1 LOT 70 LBS. AT 33.00.



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