

# Penn State Cows Rank High

Lancaster Farming, Saturday, February 20, 1993-A21

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — The American Simmental Association (ASA) recently designated one of the cows from Penn State's herd with an Excellent and one with a Superior Award. The awards recognize outstanding Simmental and Simbrah females.

The cow awards are based on data gathered through ASA's extensive performance testing programs using the cow's lifetime Most Probable Producing Ability (MPPA). This formula evaluates the animal's within-herd performance as shown by the weaning

weights of her calves, compared to the herd average, and projects her probable future production.

To qualify for an ASA Cow Award, a cow must produce outstanding calves at regular intervals. Excellent awards are based on two consecutive calves, and

Superior awards result from four consecutive progeny.

Not only do the owner and breeder of award winning cows receive recognition, but the award designation is carried on subsequent registration certificates and other reports.

## Mid-Atlantic Brown Swiss Calf Sale Set

FREDERICK, Md. — The annual Mid-Atlantic Brown Swiss Calf Sale is to be held 11 a. m., Saturday, April 24, at the Frederick Fairgrounds, in Frederick, Md.

The sale has a reputation for providing high quality, affordable, animals. The uses of calves purchased in the past range from 4-H projects to providing some top calves for more competitive showing, merchandising or investment buying.

Officials with the Brown Swiss Breeders Association, in a news release, said they are seeking "a strong group of calves that combine a unique blend of production and sound type" for consignments to this year's sale.


According to the release, the quality of past animals being marketed through the association sale has been good.

"There were two consignments from the 1992 sale that went on to do well for their new owners. The senior heifer calf was just named the Maryland Junior Bell Ringer, owned by Aimee Smith, of Woodsboro, Md.

"Also, another outstanding senior calf did well in the show ring for Howard and Norma Fliming, of Hollywood, Md. She was first senior calf at the Maryland-Delaware State Canton Show, first at Howard and Montgomery county fairs, fourth at Maryland State Fair, and third at the Eastern National Show."

Those interested in consigning a heifer calf, or who want additional information, should call either Howard Flemming at (301) 475-3440, Harold Long at (301) 271-7577, or Cindy Warner at (301) 371-5206.

The sale committee has requested that all consignment pedigrees be submitted by Friday, March 26, in order to have a sale catalog completed in time for buyers to review, and to promote the consignments.



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