

Keystone Ram, Ewe

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ia, Pa.

The reserve champion Hampshire ram was consigned by Wilson's Hampshires, Rural Retreat, Va., John and Traci Kyle, Springfield, Mass., purchased this late spring ram lamb for \$150.

Wilson's Hampshires, Rural Retreat, Va., consigned both the champion and reserve champion Hampshire ewes. Doe Run Farm, Glen Gardner, N.J., purchased the champion Hampshire ewe for \$450. She was the first place yearling ewe. The second place yearling ewe was named the reserve champion Hampshire ewe. She was purchased for \$275 by David Clouser, Polk, Ohio.

Wilson's Hampshires, Rural Retreat, Va., received the Townsend Award for the best consign-

ment.

The Keystone Sale presented an award in honor of Henry Easterbrooks and in memory of his wife, Virginia.

The sale is managed by David L. Harpster, Boalsburg, Pa.

Auctioneers for the event were DeWitt Evans, Jamestown, Ohio, and Gary Saylor, Bell Center, Ohio.

Jeremy Bradford, Jeromesville, Ohio, won both the grand champion and reserve champion Jackpot Lamb Show. He was presented with a plaque sponsored by the Centre County 4-H Sheep Club.

The 46th Keystone Stud Ram and Ewe Sale is scheduled for July 8-9, 1994, at the Penn State Agricultural Arena, University Park, Pa.

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Craig A. Buckhout recently joined Dairylea's new wholly-owned subsidiary, Agri-Financial Services, Corp. has been named president of the entity where he is responsible for development and marketing of financial services.

Before joining Dairylea, Buckhout was president of Disciplined Capital Management Corporation, an investment advisory firm that helps investors define and attain their long-term investment objectives. Prior to 1991, Buckhout worked for Agway Inc., in project management and financial management.

Buckhout received a bachelor's degree in agricultural economics

from Cornell University and an MBA from the Johnson School of Management at Cornell University.

Buckhout, his wife, Carol, and daughters Emma and Ellie reside near Cazenovia, N.Y.

Dairylea, a Syracuse-based dairy cooperative with more than 2,600 farmer members throughout the Northeast, markets approximately 2.5 billion pounds of milk annually. Dairylea participates and is invested in a milk marketing network stretching from Maine to Maryland to Ohio.



Craig A. Buckhout

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should be fighting for. Forget the Bottle Bill, it is high property taxes that are eating us alive.

Everyone seems to have the idea that farmers just sit on the front porch and watch for a developer to come along.

If we are going to look at farms as future development, then every property should be taxed as the possible location of a super high-

way, shopping center, high rise apartments — or even a gas station.

Why should a farmer have to mortgage his farm to the County to have his farm assessed as a farm? This is what Act 319 amounts to. No other property is assessed as to what may happen 20-30 years from Now.

If you sign up for Act 319 it is forever.

Who knows what unforeseen event might make it necessary to sell. Should this happen, the Federal Government will take 28-percent, the State will take about 3-percent, realtors and lawyers 15-20-percent, then you will have Act 319 which will take-selling price x millage x 7 years plus 6-percent interest.

The only pension a farmer has is what he can get for his farm. If he is forced to join Act 319 in order to afford to stay on his farm, then he is really being held hostage, and will have to pay the ransom to the county if he should have to sell.

We don't have to look to Washington to see lack of leadership, it is right here in Harrisburg and in our Farm Organizations.

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