

**THE OLD FARMER'S**  
**THIS WEEK WITH**  
**ALMANAC**

OCTOBER 20-26, 1997

ST. CRISPIN, OCTOBER 25.

**HIGH TIME?**

Let your clocks "fall back" Daylight Saving Time ends at 2:00 A.M. on October 26. In the United States, we owe our four time zones to the development of the great east-west railroads. Eastern, Central, Mountain, and Pacific times came into national use in 1883, although the limits of the zones were not fixed until 1918. Eastern time is behind Greenwich time by five hours. Before the railroads made rapid transit possible, simple "local time" was practical, where it was 12 o'clock noon in any region when the Sun was at its highest point in the sky and shadows were cast in a north-south line.



*'Tis not enough to run well, unless you set out in due time.*

- French proverb

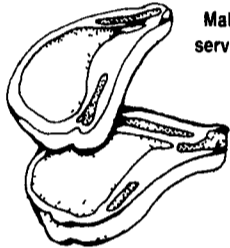
**TIP OF THE WEEK**

There's no use to "save time" if you're only going to use it to do more of what you'd like to do less of.

**QUICK AND JUICY PORK CHOPS**

4 lean, thick pork chops  
4 'Granny Smith' apples, peeled and sliced  
4 tablespoons brown sugar  
dash apple cider vinegar  
salt and pepper, to taste

and pepper. Cover and simmer over medium heat about 30 minutes, or until pork shows no pink in the middle.



Makes 4 servings.

Brown pork chops on both sides, about a minute per side. Place chops in a heat-proof dish and cover with apple slices and brown sugar. Sprinkle with vinegar, salt,

**THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS**



*The day of the month on which the first snow falls gives the number of storms that the winter will bring.*

*The number of fogs in autumn tells the number of snows in winter.*

Got a Question? Every day the editors of *The Old Farmer's Almanac* answer a question on the Internet. All questions are archived there as well. Go to [www.almanac.com](http://www.almanac.com).

**Belleville Livestock**  
Belleville, Pa.

Wednesday, Oct. 15, 1997  
Report supplied by Auction

CATTLE: 199...PDA...SUPPLIED BY THE AUCTION.

HEIFERS: ONE CHOICE AT 60.00, SELECT 45.00-55.00.

COWS: BREAKING UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 37.50-42.00, CUTTER AND BONING UTILITY 34.00-38.00, CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 28.50-34.00. SHELLS DOWN TO 15.00.

BULLS: ONE YG#1 AT 39.00. FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS 62.00-77.00; HEIFERS 48.00-60.00; BULLS 50.00-65.00.

CALVES: 109...VEALERS GOOD 70-80 LBS. 18.00-22.00, STANDARD AND GOOD 60-70 LBS. 15.00-18.00, UTILITY 50-60 LBS. 12.00-15.00.

FARM CALVES: #1 HOLSTEIN BULLS 95-105 LBS. 95.00-107.50, COUPLE TO 116.00, #2 90-120 LBS. 40.00-92.50.

HOGS: 36...BARROWS AND GILTS US#1-2 44.00-46.25.

SOWS: US#1-3 500 LBS. AND OVER 39.00-43.25.

BOARS 36.00-38.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 130...US#1-3 15<sup>3</sup>/<sub>0</sub> LBS. 12.00-25.00, 30-50 LBS. 25.00-35.00 PER HEAD.

SHEEP: 25...SLAUGHTER LAMBS CHOICE 75-90 LBS. 85.00-100.00, GOOD AND CHOICE 70-90 LBS. 76.00-87.50.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 24.00-48.50, COUPLE 72.00.

GOATS: 45...LARGE 60.00-75.00, MEDIUM 45.00-60.00, SMALL 30.00-45.00, SMALL KIDS 3.00-12.00 PER HEAD.

**MIDDLEBURG LIVESTOCK AUCTION**

MIDDLEBURG, PA  
October 14, 1997

CATTLE 361... PDA ...Compared with last week's sale...sl. steers 1.00 to 2.00 higher, cows steady to strong. SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 1095/1460 lbs. 66.00-70.00, Choice 1115/1495 lbs. 63.50-66.00, Select 57.75-65.00, Standard 46.25-55.00.

HOLSTEINS: High Choice and Prime 1115/1550 lbs. 60.00-63.75, Choice 1140/1470 lbs. 57.00-59.75, Select 51.00-55.75, Standard 42.00-51.00. HEIFERS: Choice 1000/1260 lbs. 63.00-66.00, Select 56.25-63.00, Standard 42.00-55.25.

COWS: Breaking Utility and Commercial 37.25-43.75, Cutter and Boning Utility 32.00-38.00, Canner and Low Cutter 27.50-34.00. Shells down to 18.50. BULLOCKS: few Choice 51.75-56.75, few Select 43.50-47.25. BULLS: Yield Grade No. 1 1090/1755 lbs. 40.00-44.00, No. 2 1200/1835 lbs. 38.50-39.75.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: few Medium Frame No. 1 350/670 lbs. 60.00-65.00, few Large Frame No. 2 435/650 lbs. Holsteins 39.00-57.50; HEIFERS: few Medium Frame No. 1 & 2 425/1050 lbs. 37.00-57.00, few Large Frame No. 2 425/960 lbs. 31.00-37.00; BULLS: few Medium Frame No. 1 & 2 330/885 lbs. 36.00-55.00, Large Frame No. 2 355/875 lbs. Holsteins 32.00-48.00.

CALVES 199...CALVES: Good 125/235 lbs. 35.00-60.00, Standard and Good 75/115 lbs. 20.00-36.00, Utility 60/75 lbs. 15.00-24.00. FARM CALVES: Holstein bulls 5.00 to 7.00 higher...No. 1 Holstein bulls 85/125 lbs. 77.50-127.00, with a couple 72.50, No. 2 80/110 lbs. 30.00-60.00 with a few 65.00, No. 1 Hols-

tein heifers 90/140 lbs. 74.00-142.50, No. 2 75/100 lbs. 29.00-65.00. Few beef cross bulls and heifers 75/135 lbs. 62.50-120.00.

HOGS 137...(10/13 & 14/97)...Bulk of supply sold on Monday and reported by the auction. BARROWS AND GILTS: US 1-2 230/260 lbs. 46.00-47.00, US 1-3 220/265 lbs. 44.50-46.00, 195/205 lbs. lightweights 36.00-42.00. SOWS: US 1-3 350/475 lbs. 34.25-37.50, 475/600 lbs. 36.50-39.00. BOARS: 400/650 lbs. 32.00-37.25.

FEEDER PIGS 72...US 1-3 20/40 lbs. 10.00-22.00, Utility 60/80 lbs. Slaughter 14.00-16.00. --- per head.

SHEEP 25...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 60/80 lbs. 87.00-93.00. SLAUGHTER SHEEP: couple 27.00.

GOATS 31...Couple Large Billies 90.00 & 140.00, few Large Nannies 42.50-60.00, Medium 35.00-58.00, few Large Kids 27.00-52.00, Small 20.00-26.00. --- per head.

**Greencastle Livestock Auction**  
Special Feeder Cattle Sale  
Friday, October 3, 1997  
Greencastle, PA

1172 HEAD.  
STEERS MED. AND LARGE FRAME #1 300-500 LBS. 70.00-87.50; 500-700 LBS. 65.00-82.00; 700-1000 LBS. 54.00-69.00; MED. AND LARGE FRAME #2 300-500 LBS. 59.00-73.50; 500-700 LBS. 55.00-70.00; HOLSTEINS ALL WEIGHTS 48.00-54.00.

HEIFERS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME #1 300-500 LBS. 65.00-75.50; 500-700 LBS. 64.00-76.00; 700-950 LBS. 54.00-65.50; MED. AND LARGE FRAME #2 300-500 LBS. 55.00-63.50; 500-700 LBS. 54.00-64.00.

BULLS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME #1 300-500 LBS. 70.00-82.00; 500-700 LBS. 58.00-70.50; 700-900 LBS. 45.00-57.00; MED. AND LARGE FRAME #2 500-700 LBS. 48.00-59.50.

**Free Enterprise...**



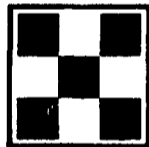
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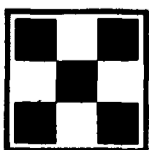


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