Buyers Pay Top Prices At Mercer County Livestock Sale

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MERCER (Mercer Co.) -Buyers competed for grand and reserve grand champion banners almost as intensely as 4-H members on show day, during the Mercer County 4-H Sale of Champions here at the Mercer County 4-H Park.

The sale of champions, which featured the grand and reserve grand champion hogs, rabbits, lambs, steers, goats, and carcass hogs and steers, was followed by the 4-H livestock sale. The sales totaled approximately \$94,000 and featured 239 head of livestock.

Before the event got started, the buyers presented Mercer County Extension Livestock Specialist Bob Calvert with a gift to show their appreciation to him for organizing the sale each year.



Tim Gadsby hands over his grand champion market hog to buyers Kenny Haynes of Lakeview Fertilizer and Todd Shearer of Shearer Farms. Haynes and Shearer also represented Sandy Lake Mills, which helped make up the winning bid of \$5 per pound.



Nota Irwin's grand champion carcass steer went to Nixon Farm of Mercer for \$1.10/lb.



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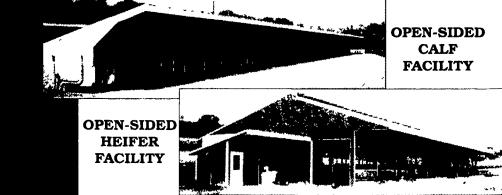
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