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30.00-65.00. Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 140.00-202.00. Plainer heifers 70-90 lbs 90.00-145.00.

**SHEEP:** Compared to Monday, there were not enough slaughter lambs on hand for a good market test. Sheep and goat receipts continue to be light as producers are waiting for the Easter buying season, later this month. Slaughter ewe prices were steady.

**SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** New Crop: Choice and Prime 2-3 30-60 lbs 120.00-175.00; 60- 90 lbs 90.00-120.00. Woolled: Choice and Prime 2-3 120-135 lbs 70.00-75.00.

**SLAUGHTER EWES:** Utility and Good 1-3 35.00-55.00.

**GOATS:** (All goats sold by the head) Billies: Large 100.00-150.00. Medium 75.00-100.00. Nannies: Medium and Large 35.00-60.00. Yearlings: Choice and Prime 60.00-90.00. Kids: Choice and Prime 40.00-60.00. Good 20.00-40.00.

**Lancaster Co. Weekly NEW HOLLAND, PA FRI MARCH 12, 1999**

	CATTLE	CALVES
THIS WEEK	2508	1741
LAST WEEK	2280	1796
LAST YEAR	2921	1764

**CATTLE:** Compared to last week's close, slaughter steer prices closed fully it's upward trend into areas unseen since early last Summer. However, our local prices continue to fall behind the charging Western feedlot market. Direct slaughter cattle from Nebraska to Texas sold 1.00 higher live to 3.00 higher dressed at 66.00 and 105.00. A good week's offering of Holstein steers sold .50 and instances 1.00 higher, while a light test of slaughter heifers ended mostly steady. Nearly half of this week's supply was made up of slaughter cows and prices held mostly steady, as slaughter bulls were 1.00- 2.00 higher on a light offering. Supply included 42 percent slaughter steers, 7 percent slaughter heifers, 43 percent slaughter cows, 5 percent slaughter bulls, with the balance made up of feeder cattle.

**SLAUGHTER STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-4 1190-1480 lbs 63.35-67.75. Choice 2-3 1070-1485 lbs 61.35-65.00, few high dressing 1-2 up to 69.75; 1450-1600 lbs 56.75-61.75. Select and low Choice 2-3 1010-1485 lbs 56.85-62.50;

1525- 1615 lbs 53.00-58.00. Select 1-3 890-1465 lbs 55.00-60.25, several returning to feed 945-1145 lbs 61.85-63.60.

**HOLSTEIN STEERS:** High Choice and Prime 2-3 1320-1595 lbs 56.25-59.00. Choice 2-3 1245-1590 lbs 53.25-57.25; 1605-1755 lbs 50.25-54.10. Select and low Choice 2-3 1215-1590 lbs 51.25-54.60. Select 1-2 1150-1560 lbs 47.00-52.00.

**SLAUGHTER HEIFERS:** Choice, few Prime 2-4 1045-1400 lbs 60.60-63.75, few high dressing 1-2 up to 65.25. Select and low Choice 2-3 1080-1350 lbs 57.00-61.25. Heiferettes: Choice 3-4 970-1580 lbs 53.00-58.00.

**SLAUGHTER COWS:** PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESSING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 37.50-42.50 36.00-38.75 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35.00-39.00 32.50-35.75 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 35.00-39.00 33.50-35.75 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 33.00-36.50 30.00-33.75 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750 -1000 lbs 30.75-34.50 28.00-31.75

**SLAUGHTER BULLS:** Yield Grade 1 1100-1715 lbs 48.50-60.25, couple outstanding 1630-1840 lbs 64.75-65.00. Yield Grade 2 920-2280 lbs 42.25-50.00. Bulls: Couple Choice 2-3 1275-1330 lbs 59.00-60.75. Select 1-3 870-1575 lbs 47.25- 59.50, package returning to feed 800-1000 lbs 56.00.

**CALVES:** Compared to last week, the veal calf market was uneven, but ended 2.00 lower. Slaughter calves closed mostly 5.00 higher on limited supplies. Holstein bulls returning to feed sold steady to 5.00 lower, after posting sharply higher prices at midweek. The demand for Holstein heifers continues to decline back to a reasonable level and this week's market ended mostly 25.00 lower.

**VEALERS:** Good and Choice 70-110 lbs 18.00-37.00, late mostly 23.00-35.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 10.00-28.00.

# PCA Schedules Awards Banquet

**STATE COLLEGE (Centre Co.)** — The Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Association (PCA) Awards banquet has been scheduled Friday, March 26, here at Celebration Hall.

The festivities will begin with a

social hour at 6 p.m. followed by a prime rib buffet dinner at 7 p.m.

Cattle producers will be recognized this special evening for several awards, including the Industry Service Award, Commercial Cattleman, Seedstock Breeder, and Cattle Feeder of the Year.

One farm will be recognized with the Stewardship Award for its dedication to preserving agriculture and the environment for future generations. The Pennsylvania Cattlemen's Queen and Princess will also be crowned at

this time.

Banquet reservations should be made by March 22 by calling the PCA office at (717) 986-0333.

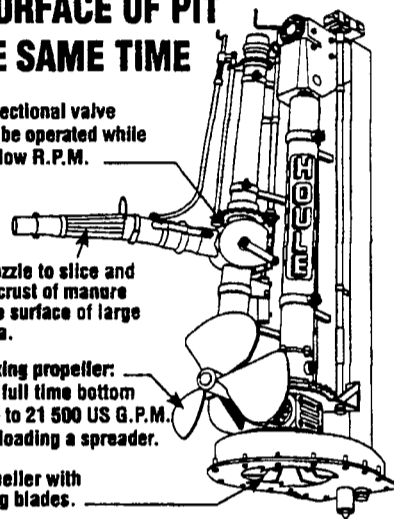
The PCA annual meeting will be held in conjunction with the awards banquet. New officers and directors will be elected at this time. Forward any nominations to the PCA Board of Directors to the PCA Office, 1500 Fulling Mill Road, Middletown, PA 17057. Nominees must be members of PCA.

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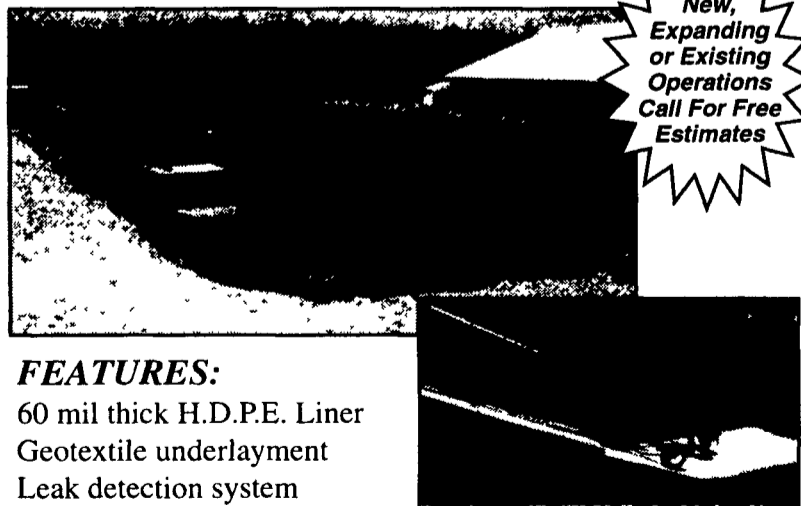
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