

# Ridge Hill Sisters Take Home Top Honors At Quarryville Holstein Show

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**QUARRYVILLE** (Lancaster Co.) — Lower numbers did not seem to take a toll on the quality of Holsteins shown at the recent Quarryville fair.

Robert Knutsen of Loudale Farms judged the event. Knutsen, a longtime 4-H leader, milks approximately 80 Holsteins on his farm in Rising Sun, Md., and judges 2-3 dairy shows per year.

The Holstein show was down in numbers from previous years. "I'm sorry there aren't more cows in the classes," said Knutsen, "because these cows could stand some more competition."

A pair of sisters gathered double prizes as they took home grand and reserve grand champion in the open classes. The girls, Stormi and Stevie Anna Greek, are the daughters of Leonard and Bonnie Jo Greek of Ridge Hill

Farm in Red Lion.

This year's grand champion placing went to a 4-year old Holstein who, according to Knutsen, is "milking well and still holds it all together."

"Ridge-Hill Charles Laura," a homebred animal, moved from the top of the 4-year-old class to grand champion Holstein for Stormi.

Stormi, a senior at Red Lion High School, also won first place

in the senior division of the showmanship classes, with sister Stevie taking home a second place in the junior division. Stormi is currently looking at colleges to attend next fall, where she is planning to study elementary education.

A 2-year-old took home reserve champion. Stevie, 9, in the fourth grade at Red Lion School District, took home reserve grand champion honors with her homebred, "Ridge-Hill Sky Buck Molly."

Ridge Hill farm also took home a first in the best three female class, along with premier exhibitor and premier breeder honors.

Nicole Welk of Welk-Shade Holsteins won junior champion honors with her homebred heifer, "Welk Shade Astre Destiny." Welk, 10, in the fifth grade at Solanco School District, also took home grand champion Jersey honors with one of her animals and a class winner with another Jersey.

She is the daughter of Mark and Kris Welk. Welk picked the heifer out of four of her own animals at home.

Brian Mull, 18, of Mar-Muldale Farms, took home reserve junior champion in the Holstein classes with his homebred "Mar-

Muldale Mandel Dana." Mull, a graduate of Solanco High School, is the son of Scott and Sheila Mull. Mull works on the home farm which hosts 125 cows.

A complete list of Holstein Dairy Show results follows:

## SOLANCO FAIR HOLSTEIN DAIRY SHOW RESULTS

Spring Calf 1 Zachary Akers 2 Joshua Akers 3 Justin Hershberger  
Winter Calf 1 Stevie Anne Greek 2 Matt Groff 3 Amber Kiser  
Fall Calf 1 Nicole Welk 2 Kevin Groff 3 Ellis Kreider  
Summer Yearling 1 Charles Groff 2 Ellis Kreider  
Spring Yearling 1 Joshua Hershberger 2 Brian Mull 3 Ellis Kreider  
Winter Yearling 1 Brian Mull 2 Kyle Miller  
Junior Champion Nicole Welk  
Reserve Junior Champion Brian Mull  
Dry Cow Michael Mellott  
Senior 2-Year-Old 1 Stevie Anne Greek 2 Brian Mull  
4-Year-Old 1 Stormi Greek 2 James Findley  
Senior Champion Stormi Greek  
Reserve Senior Champion Steve Greek  
Grand Champion Stormi Greek  
Reserve Grand Champion Stevie Greek  
Premier Exhibitor Greek family  
Premier Breeder Greek family  
Junior Division Champion Stormi Greek  
Reserve Junior Division Champion Stevie Greek  
Best Three Females 1 Stormi and Stevie Greek 2 Matt Groff  
**SHOWMANSHIP**  
8-10 Years Old 1 Nicole Welk 2 Stevie Greek 3 Kyle Miller  
11-14 Years Old 1 Zach Akers 2 Matt Groff 3 Kevin Groff  
15 Years and Older 1 Stormi Greek 2 Brian Mull 3 Josh Akers



Ridge Hill Farms, Red Lion, took home several awards at the recent fair. Parents Leonard and Bonnie Jo Greek join daughters Stormi, left, who won grand champion placing, and Stevie, who took home the reserve grand champion spot.

### Average Farm Feed Costs for Handy Reference

To help farmers across the state to have handy reference of commodity input costs in their feeding operations for DHIA record sheets or to develop livestock feed cost data, here's last week's average costs of various ingredients as compiled from regional reports across the state of Pennsylvania.

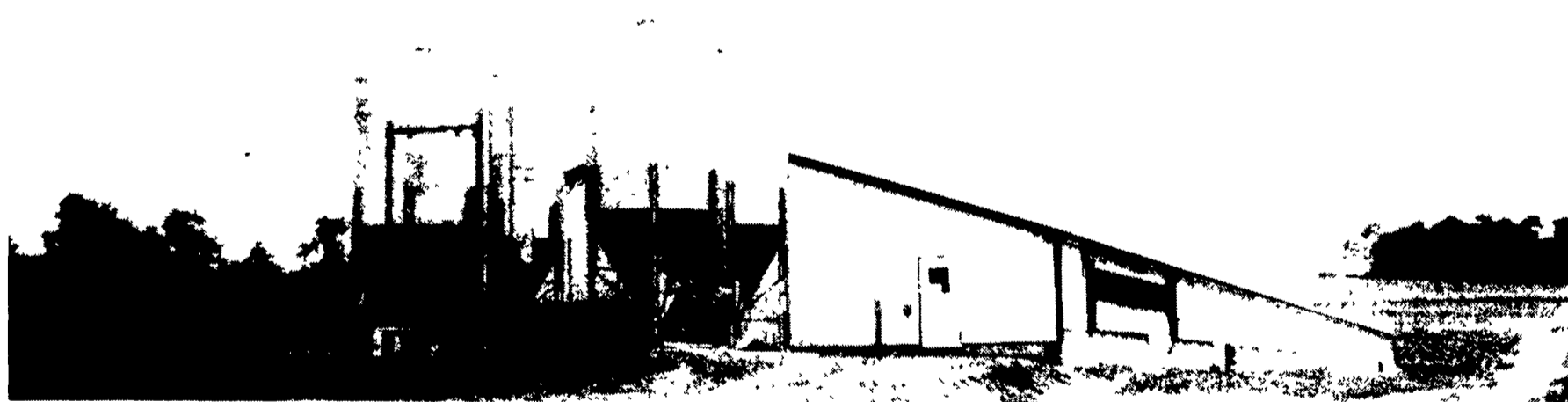
Remember, these are averages, so you

will need to adjust your figures up or down according to your location and the quality of your crop.

Corn, No.2y — 2.01 bu, 3.60 cwt.  
Wheat, No 2 — 2.0 bu, 3.34 cwt  
Barley, No.3 — 1.35 bu, 2.89 cwt  
Oats, No.2 — 1.30 bu., 4.0 cwt  
Soybeans, No.1 — 4.36 bu, 7.28 cwt  
Ear Corn — 63.61 ton, 3.18 cwt.  
Alfalfa Hay — 99.25 ton, 4.96 cwt.  
Mixed Hay — 107.50 ton, 5.38 cwt  
Timothy Hay — 112.50 ton, 5.63 cwt.

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