



JUNE 4-10, 2001

ST. BONIFACE, JUNE 5

STRAWBERRIES AND ROSES

June 4 is dedicated to Rosalia, marked by the Roman festival of the rose in honor of this native of Palermo, who dedicated herself to the worship of the Virgin Mary. June 5 is the Full Strawberry Moon, which the Europeans know as the Full Rose Moon. Whether you celebrate with red roses or red berries, however, you can't go far wrong. Strawberries are symbolic of "perfect excellence." To affirm your affections for a loved one, the appropriate gift is roses, of course. It is said that a woman can tell the strength of her admirer's feelings by snapping the stem of the rose he gives her. The louder the snap, the stronger the affections. Dreaming of red roses is a sign of good fortune.



From all the youths of Sicily, St. Rosalia retired to God.

-Sir Walter Scott, Scottish poet (1771-1832)

TIP OF THE WEEK

Berries do not store well after being washed, so hold off until right before you plan to eat them.

STRAWBERRY MARMALADE

2 pints fresh strawberries, hulled and sliced
sugar, to taste (about 1 or 2 tablespoons)
1/2 cup orange marmalade
1 tablespoon fresh lemon juice
2 teaspoons balsamic vinegar

in with berries, then chill. (Serve with pancakes, in crepes, or on vanilla ice cream.)



Makes 2 to 3 cups.

Mix berries and sugar and let stand. Mix marmalade, lemon juice, and vinegar. Stir this

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June Dairy Month

Belknap Livestock

Belknap, Pa.

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May 31, 2001

WED. CATTLE 88, CALVES 92, HOGS 86, SHEEP 0, GOATS 31. LAST WEDNESDAY CATTLE 54, CALVES 70, HOGS 79, SHEEP 26, GOATS 28 CATTLE: Compared to last Wednesday's auction, slaughter cows sold steady. Other classes were not well tested.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Select 1-3 couple 67.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Standard 1-2 52.50-57.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Select 2 individual 69.00. Standard 1-2 few 57.00-62.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 percent lean 44.50-51.50. Boners 80-85 percent lean 40.00-45.00. Lean 85-90 percent lean 35.00-40.25.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1430-1880 lbs 58.74-67.00. Yield Grade 2 1080-1655 lbs 44.00-56.00.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 2 few 625-700 lbs 61.00-79.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 485-675 lbs 75.00-86.00. Medium and Large 2 325-500 lbs 65.00-79.00.

FEEDER BULLS: Medium and Large 2 few 520-750 lbs 70.00-86.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week's auction, Holstein bulls returning to the farm sold steady to 10.00 higher.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 90-120 lbs 45.00-85.00; 65-85 lbs 45.00-72.50. Utility 50-75 lbs 21.00-40.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls Number 1 90-120 lbs 140.00-177.50. Number 2 80-125 lbs 90.00-137.50. Holstein heifers Number 1 90-226 lbs 385.00-425.00. Number 2 individual 150 lbs 127.50. Beef type bulls and heifers 80-115 lbs 100.00-210.00.

BARROWS AND GILTS: PERCENT

LEAN WEIGHT PRICE 45-50 260-290 lbs 44.00-48.00 40-45 185-310 lbs 39.00-43.50

SOWS: US 1-3 530-580 lbs 37.00-38.25 BOARS: 235-435 lbs 22.50-34.00 510-770 lbs 14.00-15.00

FEEDER PIGS: All sold by the head. US 1-3 25-35 lbs 29.00-36.00 55-60 lbs 54.00-58.00 Utility 10-55 lbs 10.00-31.00 SHEEP: No market test.

GOATS: All sold by the head. Billies: Medium individual 62.50. Nannies: Large 65.00-80.00. Medium 25.00-60.00. Kids: Large 32.50-40.00. Small 29.00-35.00.

Westminster Livestock

Hagerstown, Maryland
Report Supplied by Auction
May 29, 2001

SLAUGHTER COWS: 79 HEAD, STEADY. BREAKERS 47.00-51.25, 1 AT 53.25, BONERS 45.00-50.00, LEAN 40.00-45.00, THIN AND SLOW 41.00 DOWN.

BULLS: 10 HEAD, ACTIVE BIDDING. YG#1 1400-2100 LBS. 60.00-66.75, HIGH DRESSING 1854 LBS. AT 70.00, YG#2 LOW DRESSING 51.00-55.25.

FED STEERS: FEW OFFERED STEADY. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1100-1450 LBS. 79.00-81.75, CHOICE 2-3 76.00-79.00, LOW CHOICE 1000-1450 LBS. 69.00-75.00.

FED HEIFERS: HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 1100-1400 LBS. 79.00-80.50, HIGH DRESSING LIMOUSIN 1306 LBS. 85.25, 1 CHOICE 3 1466 LBS. AT 74.50.

CALVES: 104 HEAD. 1 PRIME 282 LBS. AT 106.00, 1 414 LBS. AT 95.00, GOOD 90-120 LBS. 58.00-77.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS RETURNING TO FARM. STEADY. #1 90-120 LBS.

165.00-182.00, 80-88 LBS. 130.00-150.00; #2 90-120 LBS. 127.00-160.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS NO #1'S OFFERED. #2 80-100 LBS. 195.00-390.00; BEEF X BULLS #1 80-120 LBS. 180.00-225.00; #2 120.00-170.00; BEEF X HEIFERS TO 182.00.

BUTCHER HOGS: 33 HEAD. #1 AND 2 230-260 LBS. TO 47.75; #1 AND 3 45.00-46.00, 300-350 LBS. 34.00-38.00.

SOWS: 9 HEAD. 300-500 LBS. 30.00-34.00, 500-600 LBS. 35.00-38.75 BOARS: 1 848 LBS. AT 19.75.

STOCK CATTLE: 89 HEAD. STEERS 200-500 LBS. 103.00-107.00, 500-800 LBS. 70.00-86.00, 3 BLACKS 863 LBS. AT 79.00.

HEIFERS: MED. AND LRGE. FRAME 150-400 LBS. 100.00-110.00, 400-600 LBS. 80.00-96.00, 600-800 LBS. 70.00-81.00, 800-900 LBS. 65.00-72.00.

BULLS: MED. AND LARGE FRAME 200-400 LBS. 96.00-105.00, 500-700 LBS. 77.00-93.00, 700-900 LBS. 63.00-73.00, 1 1028 LBS. AT 55.00.

SHEEP: 41 HEAD. 24.00-35.00, FEW TO 41.00.

LAMBS: 105 HEAD, 5.00-10.00 LOWER. HIGH CHOICE TO PRIME 70-110 LBS. 90.00-98.00, 50-70 LBS. 95.00-100.00, 30-50 LBS. 100.00-112.00, MEDIUM TO GOOD 70-120 LBS. 75.00-90.00, 30-70 LBS. 80.00-95.00.

GOATS: 68 HEAD. LARGE BILLIES 75.00-97.00, FEW 120.00-155.00, LARGE NANNIES 55.00-84.00, FLESHY KIDS 40.00-58.00, SMALL KIDS 20.00-40.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: 31 HEAD. BY THE LB. 30-45 LBS. 102.00-113.00, 50-65 LBS. 94.00-103.00, 1 STOCK BOAR 326 LBS. AT 30.00, LARGE BRED SOWS 155.00 AND 175.00 PER HEAD.

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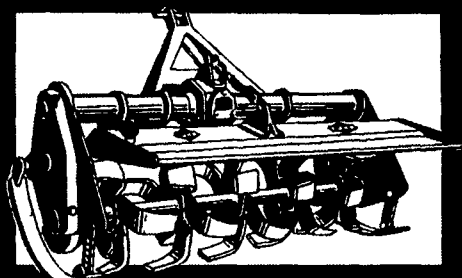
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