

JULY 2-8, 2001

FULL THUNDER MOON, JULY 5

EVERY DOG WILL HAVE HIS . . .

luly 3 marks the beginning of the Dog Days of summer, which are named for the Dog Star, Sirius, and are associated with hot, steamy weather. The ancient Egyptians noticed that Sirius appeared just before the Nile flooded each year, and they used it as a "watchdog"



to warn them of this event. The Romans believed that Sirius, the sky's brightest star, added heat to Earth. Many people say that during the Dog Days, flies increase in number, snakes

go blind, dogs go mad, and rain is scarce.

If the Dog Days be clear, 'twill be fair all

TIP OF THE WEEK

To feel cooler, eat cooler. Reduce your protein intake and increase fluids.

COLD RHUBARB SOUP

1-1/2 pounds trimmed rhubarb 3/4 cup sugar 2 cups water 1 teaspoon vanilla extract sait and pepper, to taste 8 ounces mascarpone (or sour cream)

Trim, wash, and pat rhubarb dry. Dice into 1/2-inch cubes. Add sugar to water, bring to a boil, then add rhubarb. Return to a boil, then simmer for about 10 minutes. Add vanilla, salt, and pepper. Taste for sweetness and add more sugar if desired. Cool, then refrigerate. When thoroughly chilled, garnish with an egg-size scoop of mascarpone or sour cream.







If owls scream in foul weather, it will change to fair.

When dogs refuse meat, rain follows.



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Greencastle Livestock

Greencastle, Pa. Report Supplied By USDA June 26, 2001

MONDAY CATTLE 305, CALVES 420, HOGS 33, SHEEP 50, GOATS 65. LAST MON. CATTLE 291, CALVES 384, HOGS 23, SHEEP 32, GOATS 85.

CATTLE: Compared with last Monday's auction, slaughter steers traded steady to .75 lower. Slaughter cows sold 2.00 higher. Slaughter bulls were 2.00-3.00 higher.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: Choice 2-3 1150-1480 lbs 74.50-79.50; 1520-1580 lbs 71.50- 76.75. Select 1-3 70.00-76.25. Standard 1-2 few 67.25-67.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1250-1555 lbs 65.00-69.0. Select 1-2 few 65.25- 65.75. Standard 1-2 few 54.00-

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 few 1060-1155 lbs 74.50-76.75. Select 1-2 few 65.25-65.75. Standard 1-2 few 56.00-

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 percent lean 49.75-56.00. Boners 80-85 percent lean 45.00-53.25, bulk of sales 46.50-52.00. Lean 85-90 percent lean 39.75-49.50, mostly 42.00-47.50.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield grade 1 1475-2220 lbs 63.25-68.50. Yield Grade 2 few 1240-1850 lbs 57.50-60.25. Bullocks: Select 1-3 few 64.75-69.75.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium 1-2 825-1025 lbs 71.00-75.00. Medium and Large 3 240- 495 lbs 82.00-87.00; few 610 lbs 71.00. FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 2 360-425 lbs 64.00-71.00. Medium and Large 3 355-645 lbs 68.00-

FEEDER BULLS: Medium and Large 1 individual 220 lbs 115.00. Medium and Large 2 few 525-650 lbs 76.00-84.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week's auction; Holstein bulls returning to the farm were erratic, with most selling 20.00 higher; Holstein heifers were 30.00-50.00 higher.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 85-115 lbs 50.00-82.50. Utility 55-85 lbs 10.00-45.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls Number 1 95-120 lbs 145.00-201.00, mostly 160.00-190.00; 80-90 lbs 140.00160.00. Number 2 80-125 lbs 100.00-170.00, with weaker calves down to 80.00. Holstein heifers Number 1 90-120 lbs 480.00-570.00. Number 2 70-980 lbs 170.00-330.00. Beef type bulls and heifers 75-95 lbs 140.00-210.00.

BARROWS AND GILTS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT PRICE 45-50 Individual 250 lbs 40.00 40-45 Few 285-325 lbs 43.50-44.50

SOWS: Prices were steady to 2.00 higher. US 1-3 320-470 lbs 36.00-40.00

585-650 lbs 38.00-45.00 BOARS: Individual 210 lbs 40.00

SHEEP: Slaughter lambs were steady with last Monday. **SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 25-35**

lbs 100.00-112.50; 50-70 lbs 77.00-87.50; 80- 95 lbs 73.00-78.00; few 95-105 lbs 54.00-63.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: Utility 1-3 28.00-36.00, with a few Yearlings up to

GOATS: All sold per head. Billies: Large 97.00-135.00. Medium 50.00-60.00. Nannies: Large 47.00-65.00, few up to 90.00. Medium 47.00-54.00. Kids: Large 24.00-40.00. Small 20.00-25.00.

Middleburg **Livestock Auction**

Middleburg, Pa. Tuesday, June 27, 2001 Report Supplied By USDA

TUES. CATTLE 344, CALVES 254, HOGS 171, SHEEP 58, GOATS 28. TUESDAY CATTLE 344, CALVES 259, HOGS 231, SHEEP 13, **GOATS 62**

CATTLE: Compared to last Tuesday's auction; slaughter steers sold 1.00-2.00 lower. Slaughter heifers were 2.00 lower. Slaughter cows traded 2.00 higher. Slaughter bulls 1.00 lower.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1250-1480 lbs 79.50-81.00. Choice 2-3 1100-1450 lbs 74.00-79.75. Select 1-3 70.00-75.50. Standard 1-2 few 64.00-68.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 few 1300-1565 lbs 69.00-71.00. Choice 2-3 1150-1600 lbs 65.75-69.50. Select 1-2 59.00-65.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 few 1100-1250 lbs 78.00-80.00. Choice 2-4 1050-1350 lbs

74.00-79.25. Select 1-3 69.00-75.25. Standard 1-2 few 55.00-67.00.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breakers 75-80 percent lean 49.75-55.00. Boners 80-85 percent lean 44.50-52.00. Lean 85-90 percent lean 40.00-48.50.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1100-1925lbs 57.00-62.50. Yield Grade 2 975- 1950 lbs 50,00-56,50.

FEEDER STEERS: Medium and Large 2 270-365 lbs 93,00-98,00; individual 895 lbs 70.00. Medium and Large 3 370-385 lbs 76.00-95.00; 740-885 lbs 48.00-68.00.

FEEDER HEIFERS: Medium and Large 1 couple 360 lbs 73.50. Medium and Large 2 350-450 lbs 71.00-73.00. Medium and Large 3 individual 465 lbs 65.50; one head 890 lbs 47.00.

FEEDER BULLS: Medium and Large 1 240-445 lbs 77.00-105.00; 500-525 lbs 75.00-75.50; 715-860 lbs 64.00-72.00. Medium and Large 2 370-380 lbs 77.00-86.00. Medium and Large 3 390-515 lbs 71.50-74.00.

VEALERS: Standard and Good 85-115 lbs 50.00-80.00. Utility few 50-70 lbs 10.00-40.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls Number 1 85-120 lbs 140.00-175.00. Number 2 75-115 lbs 90.00-142.00, Holstein heifers Number 1 85-115 lbs 390.00-510.00. Number 2 75-95 lbs 210.00-350.00.

BARROWS AND GILTS: Prices .50-1.00 higher than last Tuesday.

PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT PRICE 49-54 225-270 lbs 52.25-54.50 45-50 230-290 lbs 50.50-52.00 SOWS: .50-1.00 higher. US 1-3 290-

490 lbs 34.50-42.75 510-605 lbs 35.00-43.25 Medium 280-320 lbs 19.00-30.00 BOARS: 450-625 lbs 23.25-23.50 Indi-

vidual 280 lbs 30.00 FEEDER PIGS: One lot 40 lbs 26.00/ per head 55-85 lbs 45.00-67.50/per cwt

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Choice 45-55 lbs 80.00-88.00; 60-80 lbs 80.00-90.00; few 85-110 lbs 64.00-74.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: Utility 1-3 40.00-50.00, few Yearlings up to 54.00.

GOATS: All sold by the head, Billies: Large individual 90.00. Medium 43.00-44.00. Nannies: Large 43.00-68.00. Medium 39.00-48.00. Kids: Large 27.00-41.00. Small couple 34.00.

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