

THE OLD FARMER'S
THIS WEEK WITH ALMANAC
 FEB. 25-MAR. 3, 2002
 FULL SNOW MOON, FEB. 27

BLOWING IN THE WIND
 The weather lore of March says, "In like a lion and out like a lamb," or vice versa. The blustery winds of March usher in the warmer spring weather. At about 39 miles per hour, however, blustery winds can become a damaging force. In 1806, Admiral Sir Francis Beaufort of the British Navy devised a wind velocity scale, which described a wind between 39 and 46 miles per hour as a fresh gale. According to Beaufort's Scale of Wind Speeds (now used by the National Weather Service in a slightly modified form), wind speeds of more than 73 miles per hour are classified as hurricanes. In between the fresh gale (or gale) and the hurricane are the strong gale (up to 54 mph), the whole gale (or storm up to 63 mph), and the violent storm (up to 73 mph).

It looked just as if the wind blew you here.
 ~Jane to Mary Poppins from Mary Poppins by Pamela L. Travers

TIP OF THE WEEK
 Look for umbrellas designed with vents that let the wind blow through without letting water in.

CURRIED CHICKEN SALAD
 1 1/2 cup light cream
 1/2 cup plain yogurt
 1/2 cup mayonnaise
 2 teaspoons curry powder
 1 cup chopped apples (no need to peel)
 2 medium stalks celery, chopped
 1/2 cup slivered almonds
 3 to 4 pounds chicken, cooked, deboned, and shredded or cubed

Combine first three ingredients, then stir in curry powder. Add apples, celery, almonds, and chicken. Chill briefly. Makes 6 to 8 servings.

Weather Wisdom
 For a handy chart of interesting weather proverbs send \$3 to The Old Farmer's Almanac Dept. WP P.O. Box 520 Dublin NH 03444 call 800 895 9265 ext 220 or visit www.almanac.com go wp

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Eastern Corn Belt

Direct Hogs

Des Moines, Iowa

February 20, 2002

Report Supplied By USDA

EASTERN CORN BELT DIRECT DAILY HOGS, for Wed., Feb 20, as of 1:30 p.m.

CURRENT VOLUME TODAY: Producer Sold Negotiated Actual 22,668 head. Other Market Formula. 10,123, Swine or Pork Market Formula 38,170 Other Purchase Arrangement. 5,110; Packer Sold (All purchase types). Actual today: 943

NEGOTIATED PURCHASES (Including packer sold) BARROWS AND GILTS 14,279 head Compared to prior day's close, mostly steady Base Market Hog, 185 lb Carcass Basis. Plant Delivered (9-1 1/2 inch backfat, 6 sq in. loin/2.0 depth): Range \$45 50-56 00, wtd avg \$52 91

Purchase volume by state of origin: Alabama 400; Delaware 16; Georgia 812; Illinois 18,583; Indiana 15,092; Kentucky 1,982, Maryland 509; Michigan 6,982, Mississippi 2,007; New York 556, North Carolina 6,671; Ohio 8,079; Pennsylvania 3,490, South Carolina 566; Tennessee 1,110 Virginia 114, West Virginia 51, Wisconsin 2,314

Morrison's Cove

Livestock Hay

Martinsburg, Pa.

Report Supplied By Auction

Monday, February 18, 2002

Hay—Straw—Grain

ALFALFA: 155.00-165.00, 90.00-100.00 ROUND BALES.

ALFALFA AND GRASS: 100.00-115 00

GRASS: 67.50-90.00.

TIMOTHY: 60.00-92.50.

ROUND BALES: 37.50-50 00

STRAW: 70 00-75.00

LARGE SQUARE BALES: 50 00

WOOD 30 00-33 00 LOAD

HAY AUCTION MONDAYS, 12:30 P.M. CALL KEN DOWNS. 814-793-3723

Weaverland Hay

New Holland, Pa

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Thursday, February 21, 2002

Hay—Straw—Grain

59 LOADS.

ALFALFA 70.00-200.00.

TIMOTHY HAY. 67.00-90.00.

ORCHARDGRASS. 80.00-150.00.

MIXED HAY: 45.00-215.00.

GRASS 80 00.

STRAW. 90.00-130.00

EAR CORN: 65.00-80.00.

FIREWOOD: 25.00-60.00 LOAD.

CORN FODDER: 82.00.

600 LB. STEER FEED: 42.00

CONTACT AUCTION AT 1030

LONG LANE ROAD, NEW HOLLAND 17557, 717-355-0834

Belleville Hay

Belleville, Pa.

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Wednesday, February 20, 2002

Hay—Straw—Grain

ALFALFA HAY. 75.00-187.50

MIXED HAY: 60.00-165.00.

STRAW 77 50-90 00.

Eighty-Four

Livestock Auction

Eighty-Four, Pa.

Monday, February 18, 2002

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CATTLE 176. (SUPPLIED BY THE AUCTION) HEIFERS. Choice 2-4 790-1080 lbs 44 50-56.50 COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 39.00-44.50, Boners 80-85% lean 36.00-42.50, Lean 85-90% lean 32 50-37 00. BULLS. Yield Grade 1 1665-2215 lbs 52.50-55.00, Yield Grade 2 1200-1800 lbs 41 50-49 00

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: few Medium and Large 1 400-550 lbs 79 00-107.00, Medium 2 425-830 lbs 67.00-90 00, HEIFERS. Medium and Large 1 300-500 lbs 75 00-95 00, 520-610 lbs 74 00-82 00, Medium and Large 2 350-500 lbs 76.00-88.00, 550-750 lbs 51.00-70 50, BULLS Medium and Large 1 320-560 lbs 84.00-108.00, Medium and Large 2 400-715 lbs 52.00-78.00.

CALVES 162... (All calves sold per cwt). VEALERS: Standard and Good 90-120 lbs 50.00-80.00, 75-85 lbs 37.50-68.00, Utility 50-90 lbs 22.50-52.50. FARM CALVES: No 1 Holstein bulls 90-125 lbs 145.00-174.00, No 2 80-130 lbs 95 00-142.00; No 1 Holstein heifers 85-105 lbs 400 00-555.00, No 2 70-130 lbs 160 00-365 00

Beef type bulls and heifers 65-110 lbs 115.00-165.00, 235-275 lbs 67.00-110.00.

HOGS 0... NO MARKET TEST!

FEEDER PIGS 0...NO MARKET TEST!

SHEEP 153...SLAUGHTER LAMBS

High Choice and Prime 150-170 lbs 70.00-86.00, Choice 55-75 lbs 104.00-122.00, 85-95 lbs 91.00-112.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 36 00-59 00.

GOATS 48 (All sold by the head)

Large Billies 77.00-91.25, Large Nannies 40.00-75.00, Medium 48.00-57.00, Large Kids 33 00-57 00, Small 15 00-25 00

Kutztown Produce

Hay Auction

Fleetwood, Pa.

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Saturday, February 16, 2002

Hay—Straw—Grain

46 LOTS.

ALFALFA HAY 70 00-130 00

GRASS HAY 70 00-110 00

MIXED HAY 70 00-200 00

TIMOTHY HAY 90 00-140 00

WHEAT STRAW 70 00-140 00

OAT HAY 90.00

STRAW: 2.00-2 20 BALE

HAY, LARGE ROUND OR

SQUARE BALES 17 50

OATS 2 40 BU

FIREWOOD 35 00-65 00 LOAD

Dewart Hay

Dewart, Pa.

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Monday, February 18, 2002

HAY 40 LOTS, 40.00-155.00

STRAW 8 LOTS, 70.00-90.00

WOOD 10 LOTS, 40.00-65.00.

CORN: 11 LOTS, 75.00-80.00

OATS 5 LOTS, 1.80-2.05 BU.

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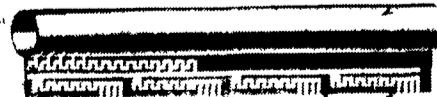
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