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THIS WEEK WITH

JUNE 3-9, 2002
MOON ON EQUATOR, JUNE 5

FEAST OF ST. BONIFACE

This year, June 5 is astrologically favorable for pruning to discourage growth. You might say that it's what St. Boniface did, the patron saint of brewers and tailors whose feast day is on June 5. St. Boniface was in Hessia, circa AD 723, when he used an ax to cut down the six foot wide tree called Thor's oak. Evidently, he intended to convert a tribe of pagans by demonstrating his power over their Norse deity. Some stories hold that he used the oak boards to build a chapel. St. Boniface was educated as a Benedictine monk and wrote the first Latin grammar book in England.



Little strokes fell great oaks.
—Benjamin Franklin, American statesman (1706-1790)

TIP OF THE WEEK

When buying oak trees from a garden nursery, look for native species—or start with local acorns.

ACORN-SQUASH RINGS

2 acorn squashes, peeled and seeded
1 yellow onion, peeled and sliced
3/4 cup vegetable or chicken broth
1 teaspoon olive oil
1/2 cup shredded cheese, cheddar or Swiss
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley

slice the acorn squashes into rings 1/2 inch thick. Cover bottom of pan with several squash rings, place onion slices over rings, and add rest of squash rings on top. Add broth and olive oil. Sprinkle with cheese and parsley. Cover and bake for 30 to 45 minutes, uncover for the last 10 minutes. Makes 4 to 6 servings.



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Mr. OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS

*Oak before ash, all wet and splash
Ash before oak, all fire and smoke*

If June be sunny, harvest comes early

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Virginia Livestock Auction Summary

Richmond, Va.
May 28, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA
NORTHERN VIRGINIA LIVESTOCK — Front Royal, Marshall, Rockingham, Shenandoah, Staunton Union, and Winchester for the week of May 20-25. All prices per hundred pounds live-weight (CWT.), except where noted.

FEEDER CATTLE: 769 head.
FEEDER STEERS: Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 90-107.00; 400-500 lb 88-103.00; 500-600 lb 83.50-100.00; 600-700 lb 84-87.25; 700-800 lb 73.50-82.00; 900-1000 lb 68.00. Small 1: 500-600 lb 69-71.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 86.50; 300-400 lb 99.00; 400-500 lb 77-93.00; 500-600 lb 75-88.00; 600-700 lb 76-77.00; 900-1000 lb 59.50-65.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 88-89.00; 500-600 lb 63.50-65.00; 700-900 lb 53-60.50.

HEIFERS: Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 83.50-85.00; 300-400 lb 78-86.00; 400-500 lb 77-88.00; 500-600 lb 72.80.00; 600-700 lb 70-76.00; 800-900 lb 59.50. Small 1: 400-500 lb 64-70.00; 500-600 lb 64.50-67.00; 600-700 lb 47.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 86.50; 300-400 lb 75-84.00; 400-500 lb 69-80.50; 500-600 lb 64-79.00; 600-700 lb 63.50-68.00; 700-800 lb 65-69.50.

BULLS: Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 92-118.00; 300-400 lb 81.25-92.00; 400-500 lb 82-94.00; 500-600 lb 73.50-82.00; 600-700 lb 64.50-78.00. 700-800 lb 73.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 200-300 lb 86.50; 300-400 lb 81-97.00; 400-500 lb 76-91.00; 500-600 lb 67.50-76.00; 600-700 lb 61.50-69.00; 700-900 lb 49-56.00.

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: 327 head.

SLAUGHTER COWS: 284 head. Breaking Utility and Commercial 2-4, 38.50-48.00; Cutter and Boning Utility 1-3, 38.25-48.75; Canner and Low Cutter 1-2, 33-43.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: 43 head. Yield Grade 1-2, 900-1300 lb 50.75-58.00, 1300-1600 lb 44.75-65.00, 1600 lb and over 49.75-62.00.

SHEEP: 120 head. **SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** 914 head. New Crop: Choice, few Prime 1-2 few 3, 100-107 lbs 78.50-84.75; Good and few Choice 1-2, 85-95 lbs 79-79.50. **FEEDER LAMBS:** 17 head. Med. and Lge. 1-2: 70-85 lbs 76.00, 60-70 lbs 77.00; Small 1-2: 67 lbs 79.50. **SLAUGHTER EWES & RAMS:** 12 head. **EWES:** Choice 2-4, 17-20.00; Utility and Good 1-3, 18.50-25.00.

COWS RETURNED TO FARMS: 6 head. Med. and Lge. 1, mostly 3-5 yrs old 1100-1400 lbs, bred 3-8 months, 590-740.00 per head.

BABY CALVES RETURNED TO FARMS: 85 head. Newborn to 4 wks 30-157.00 per head. Over 100 lbs 62-155.00 CWT.

Tri-State Weekly Feeder Cattle Sale

Richmond, Va.
May 28, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA
WEEKLY AUCTION at Tri-State, May 24 — FEEDER CATTLE: 240 head. Prices per hundredweight, based on in weights.

STEERS: 73 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 95.00; 300-400 lb 85.50-92.00; 400-500 lb 85.50-90.00; 500-600 lb 78-86.00; 600-700 lb 88-80.50; 700-800 lb 70.50-76.50; 800-900 lb 79.50-73.00. Small 1: 400-500 lb 77-80.00; 500-600 lb 75-77.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 400-500 lb 80-85.50; 500-600 lb 76-83.00.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: 12 head. 300-400 lb 78-79.00; 600-700 lb 58.00; 700-800 lb 61.00.

HEIFERS: 104 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 78.50-84.00; 400-500 lb 77.50-78.00; 60-700 lb 69-72.50; 700-800 lb 64-68.50. Med. and Lge. 2: 400-500 lb 75-81.00; 500-600 lb 68-74.00.

BULLS: 51 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 200-300 lb 90-99.00; 300-400 lb 91-99.00; 400-500 lb 84-91.00; 500-600 lb 79-86.50; 600-700 lb 74-82.00; 700-900 lb 67-75.00. Small 1: 400-500 lb 65-78.50. Med. and Lge. 2: 400-500 lb 80-86.00; 500-600 lb 75-80.00; 600-700 lb 67-75.00; 700-900 lb 60-68.00.

Roanoke-Hollins Weekly Feeder Cattle Sale

Richmond, Va.
May 28, 2002
Report Supplied By USDA
WEEKLY AUCTION at Hollins, May 27: FEEDER CATTLE: 115 head.

STEERS: 73 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 95.50-100.00; 400-500 lb 86.50-92.50; 500-600 lb 81-88.00; 600-700 lb 75-84.50; 700-800 lb 70-76.50.

HEIFERS: 50 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 83.50-86.00; 400-500 lb 81.50-84.50; 500-600 lb 73.50-77.00. Med. and Lge. 2: 400-500 lb 76.50-83.50; 500-600 lb 73-74.50; 600-700 lb 69.00.

BULLS: 31 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 94.50-96.50; 400-500 lb 84-85.50. Med. and Lge. 2: 500-600 lb 70.50-79.50.

Staunton Weekly Feeder Cattle Sale

Richmond, Va.
May 28, 2002
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WEEKLY AUCTION at Staunton, May 24 — FEEDER CATTLE: 270 head. Prices per cwt. based on in weights.

STEERS: 125 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 90-104.00; 400-500 lb 88-101.00; 500-600 lb 88-98.00.

HEIFERS: 60 head. Med. and Lge. 1: 300-400 lb 78-86.00; 400-500 lb 78-88.00.

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825.00-1350.00, FEW 1550.00-1625.00.
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BULLS: 335.00-950.00.
UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 1185.00-1750.00.
2 LOADS CANADIAN LOADS 525.00-1550.00, FEW 1725.00-1850.00.
FRESH HEIFERS 675.00-1650.00.
SMALL HEIFERS 825.00-1575.00.
SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 710.00-1060.00.
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