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THIS WEEK WITH ALMANAC
 JANUARY 6-12, 2003
 EPIPHANY, JAN. 6

WEAK IN THE KNEES?
 This is the month for Capricorns, those born between December 22 and January 19. Some of this week's birthdays include cartoonist Charles Addams (7th), singer Elvis Presley (8th), and President Richard Nixon (9th). Capricorns are considered persistent, patient, and practical. Dedicated and hard working, they make natural leaders, although some astrologers say Capricorns are prone to panic attacks, low spirits, or extreme shyness. Their body sign is the knees, which can be a weak spot for them in terms of their health. Could this have been the beginning of Elvis's trademark deep-dipping dance style—an astrological weakness in the knees?

No sane man will dance.
 —Marcus Tullius Cicero, Roman statesman and author (106-43 B.C.)

TIP OF THE WEEK
 Use a sock tied around the end of a yardstick to clean under the refrigerator.

PIZZA SALAD
 1-1/2 cups cooked rice
 3/4 cup quartered pepperoni slices
 1 large tomato, diced
 1/4 cup diced green pepper
 1/4 cup diced red pepper
 3 scallions, chopped
 1/4 cup sliced mushrooms
 1/4 cup sliced olives
 1 cup shredded mozzarella vinaigrette of your choice

Chill the cooked rice. Combine with pepperoni, vegetables, and cheese. Add 1/2 cup of vinaigrette and toss. Chill. Serve with additional dressing for those who want it.

Makes 6 servings

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Some markets not available because of the holiday

Eighty-Four Livestock Auction
 Eighty-Four, Pa.
 Monday, December 30, 2002
 Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 210...(PDA).
STEERS: Choice 1-3 1060-1140 lbs 68.50-72.00, Standard 1-2 50.00-58.00.
HEIFERS: Standard 1-2 50.00-58.50.
COWS: Boners 80-85%, lean 33.50-36.00, Lean 85-90% lean 28.50-34.50. Shells 28.00 and down.
BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1205 & 1575 lbs 46.00 & 50.00, Yield Grade 2 970-1675 lbs 38.50-45.00.
FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: few Medium and Large 1 300-515 lbs 73.50-79.00, few Medium and Large 2 315-710 lbs 58.00-71.00; **HEIFERS:** Medium and Large 1 315-535 lbs 63.50-68.00, few Medium and Large 2 450-730 lbs 52.00-61.00; **BULLS:** Medium and Large 1 320-475 lbs 73.00-83.00, Medium and Large 2 365-465 lbs 58.00-72.00, 525-745 lbs 54.00-70.50.
CALVES 141...(All calves sold per cwt). **VEALERS:** Standard and Good 65-110 lbs 22.50-42.50, Utility 55-90 lbs 7.00-20.00. **FARM CALVES:** No 1 Holstein bulls 90-135 lbs 82.50-112.50, No 2 85-135 lbs 45.00-85.00; No 1 Holstein heifers 90 & 100 lbs 360.00 & 365.00, No 2 80-105 lbs 100.00-200.00.
Beef cross bulls and heifers 80-85 lbs 80.00-92.50, 215-290 lbs 66.50-88.00.
HOGS 4...BARROWS AND GILTS: 40-45% lean 260-285 lbs 33.00-40.00.
SOWS: one 1-3 505 lbs 22.00.
FEEDER PIGS 8...1-3 127 lbs 28.00 per cwt.
SHEEP 135...SLAUGHTER LAMBS: High Choice and Prime 115-145 lbs 72.50-88.00, Choice 60-75 lbs 90.00-122.50, 80-95 lbs 80.00-111.00, one 116.00, Good and Choice 75-95 lbs 60.00-80.00. **SLAUGHTER SHEEP:** 30.00-49.00, Yearlings 50.00-60.00.
GOATS 39...(All sold by the head with weights estimated). Kids: Selection 1 20-40 lbs 44.00-50.00, 40-60 lbs 50.00-59.00. Selection 2 20-40 lbs 30.00-40.00. Selection 3 20-40 lbs 15.00-29.00. Nannies: 50-70 lbs 37.00-39.00, 100 lbs and over 68.00. Billies: 70-100 lbs 60.00-74.00, one 145 lbs 134.00.

Morrison's Cove Livestock
 Martinsburg, Pa.
 Report Supplied by Auction
 Monday, December 30, 2002

CATTLE: 67 HEAD.
STEERS: CHOICE, NO MARKET TEST, GOOD 65.00-68.00.
HEIFERS: CHOICE 68.00-70.00, GOOD 60.00-66.00.
COWS: UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 36.00-41.00, CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 15.00-35.00.
BULLOCKS: GOOD & CHOICE, NO MARKET TEST.
BULLS: YG+N1 42.00-50.00.
FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS, NO MARKET TEST, **BULLS,** NO MARKET TEST, **HEIFERS** 48.00-58.00.
CALVES: 97 HEAD. CHOICE, NO MARKET TEST, **GOOD 68.00-80.00, STANDARD 25.00-40.00; HOLSTEIN BULLS 90-130 LBS. 50.00-100.00, HOLSTEIN HEIFERS 90-130 LBS. 150.00-300.00.**
HOGS: 69. US+N1-2, 33.00-35.00; US +N 1-3, 32.00-33.00.
SOWS: US +N1-3 16.00-27.00.
BOARS: 6.00-22.00.
FEEDER PIGS: 18 HEAD. US +N1-3 20-50 LBS. 15.00-24.00.
SHEEP: 11 HEAD. CHOICE LAMBS 95.00-100.00, GOOD LAMBS, NO MARKET TEST, SLAUGHTER EWES, NO MARKET TEST.
GOATS: 50.00-80.00.

New Holland Horses
 New Holland Sales Stables
 Report Supplied by Auction
 Monday, December 30, 2002
 101 HEAD, MARKET STEADY.
DRIVING HORSES 410.00-1000.00.
RIDING HORSES 310.00-1225.00.
BETTER RIDING 1950.00.
PONIES 185.00-475.00.
LARGE PONIES 500.00-585.00.
COLTS 135.00-200.00.

Carlisle Livestock
 Carlisle, Pa.
 Report Supplied by Auction
 Tuesday, December 31, 2002

SLAUGHTER CATTLE: STEERS, SELECT AND CHOICE **HOLSTEINS 1100-1645 LBS. 54.25-60.00, COUPLE SELECT RED 66.00-68.00; COWS,** STRONG DEMAND FOR **WHITE COWS! BREAKERS 42.00-49.25, BONERS 35.00-41.75, LEAN 32.00-38.50, BIG MIDDLE, LOW DRESSING, LIGHTS 27.50-34.75, SHELLY TO 27.25.**
CALVES: RETURNING TO THE FARM, HOLSTEIN BULLS +N1 90-130 LBS. 97.00-115.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS +N1, NONE OFFERED; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS +N2 90-135 LBS. 240.00-290.00; BEEF X BULLS 105 LBS. 115.00.
SWINE: HOGS US+N1-3 225-280 LBS. 27.00-30.00, 280-345 LBS. 26.00-30.00; US+N2-4 195-215 LBS. 22.00-24.00; SOWS 300-575 LBS. 16.00-28.00; BOARS OVER 300 LBS. 4.00-5.00; FEEDER PIGS BY THE LB. ROASTERS 35-140 LBS. 20.00-32.00.
GOATS: BY THE HEAD, STRONG DEMAND! MEDIUM AND LARGE NANNIES AND BILLIES 68.00-142.00, FANCY KIDS 75.00-87.00, FLESHY KIDS 55.00-74.00, SMALL AND THIN 13.00-48.00.
LAMBS: 1 115 LBS. AT 100.00.
SALE EVERY TUES. 5 P.M. FOR RABBITS, POULTRY AND EGGS, 6 P.M. FOR LIVESTOCK, STARTING WITH CALVES; SPECIAL FED CATTLE SALE TUES., JAN. 7; STATE GRADED FEEDER PIG SALE FRI., JAN. 10. RECEIVING 7:30 A.M.-10:30 A.M., SALE 1 P.M.; RED CARPET HORSE AND TACK SALE FRIDAY, JAN. 17.

Small Animal Sale
 December 31, 2002
STRONG DEMAND ON LIMITED SUPPLY!
RABBITS AND BUNNIES 2.50-12.00.
CHICKENS 1.35-2.50.
BANTIES .50-.60.
PIGEONS 2.10.
GUINEA PIGS 3.50-4.75.
TURKEYS 7.50.
DUCKS 3.75-7.50.
ALL ANIMALS SOLD BY THE HEAD. SALE STARTS 5 P.M.

New Holland Dairy Sale
 New Holland Sales Stables
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 Wednesday, January 1, 2003

183 DAIRY COWS, 279 HEIFERS, 18 BULLS. MARKET STEADY.
LOCAL FRESH COWS 425.00-1575.00, 1 AT 1875.00.
LOCAL SPRINGERS 785.00-1375.00.
BETTER FRESH COWS 1675.00-1875.00.
LARGE HEIFERS 1425.00-1485.00.
SHORT BRED HEIFERS 735.00-1235.00.
OPEN BREEDING AGE HEIFERS 850.00-1100.00.
BULLS 400.00-725.00, PUREBREDS 675.00-800.00.
UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 1200.00-1675.00.
FRESH HEIFERS 400.00-1725.00, FEW 1875.00-1900.00.
REGISTERED HEIFERS 1275.00-1450.00.
SMALL HEIFERS 625.00-1235.00.
SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 550.00-700.00.

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