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Yearlings. Selection 1 few 80-100 lbs 70.00-76.00. Selection 2 few 60-80 lbs 58.00-62.00
 Nannies Selection 1 few 70-100 lbs 62.00-66.00, few 100-150 lbs 80.00-92.00 Selection 2 few 50-70 lbs 44.00; few 70-100 lbs 53.00-66.00, few 100-150 lbs 58.00-75.00 Selection 3 few 50-70 lbs 37.00-39.00
 Billies Selection 1 70-100 lbs 60.00-77.00, 100-150 lbs 86.00-104.00, few 150-250 lbs 122.00-136.00, with a fancy individual early 160.00. Selection 2 70-100 lbs 50.00-62.00, 100-150 lbs 70.00-92.00, few 150-250 lbs 96.00-110.00 Selection 3 70-100 lbs 47.00-66.00, couple 69.00
 Wethers: 50-70 lbs 60.00-72.00, fancy 78.00-82.00, 70-100 lbs 72.00-102.00; 100-175 lbs 92.00-112.00, couple 78.00

Lancaster County Weekly Cattle

New Holland, Pa.
 Report Supplied By USDA
 Friday, April 11, 2003

| | CATTLE | CALVES |
|-----------|--------|--------|
| THIS WEEK | 2707 | 1153 |
| LAST WEEK | 2658 | 1491 |
| LAST YEAR | 2522 | 1280 |

Compared to last week, slaughter steers sold firm to .50 higher early in the week; trending steady to weak on Thursday. The Western direct feedyards moved the bulk of their show lists mid-week from 80.00-81.00 live, and 130.00-131.00 on a dressed basis. This put a higher undertone in the red meat market as boxed beef was over 4.00 higher by Thursday. However, local steer prices failed to break steady even in the face of the extremely bullish national markets. For the first time in a few months the current contract at the Merc is at a discount to the cash trade, as the April contract is trading at around 77.00; with the mid to late summer contracts remaining bearish as they trade in the upper 60.00 range. Slaughter Holstein steers sold fully 1.00-2.00 higher early in the week, with the late week supply trading steady to weak. The demand for steers continues to remain fairly good, as buyers are able to take some of the sting off of their colored loads by tossing a few spots in the mix. Although, most of the Holsteins that have been on offer the past few weeks have been very well fed, and once the huds are pulled off most could probably go on the same Choice rail with their black counterparts. Slaughter heifers sold steady to firm on a light test. Slaughter cows sold 2.00-4.00 higher for the week due to very good demand. The cow runs are beginning to taper off a little in Lancaster County, with the runs expected to get fairly light as we head into summer; as the grass greens up many farmers will turn a lot of their cows out to graze instead of selling them. This week's reported supply in Lancaster County included 1282 head of steers, 144 heifers, 966 cows, 98 bulls, with 217 head of feeder cattle

Note: The first feeder cattle specials in Lancaster County this spring will begin in a couple of weeks. The Vintage Sales Stables will hold a special feeder sale on Monday April the 21st, with New Holland Sales Stables holding a feeder special on Friday April the 25th
 Slaughter Steers. High Choice and Prime 2-4 1150-1485 lbs 77.75-82.50, few fancy 83.00-84.00. Yield Grade 4-5 some full 75.00-79.00. Choice 2-3 1080-1470 lbs 76.25-80.50. Charolais and Limi-X's 78.00-83.75, fancy high dressing Yield Grade 1-2 82.75-86.00, heavy 1500-1575 lbs 72.75-77.75 with a few heavy Charolais-X's on Monday from 78.00-79.75. Yield Grade 4 or full 71.50-77.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1095-1490 lbs 73.50-78.50, few heavy 1570-1625 lbs 67.75-70.00. Select 1-2 1090-1495 lbs 71.00-76.00, few higher dressing up to 79.25.
 Holstein Steers. High Choice and Prime 2-3 1200-1600 lbs 66.25-72.25, few beet-crosses

73.00-75.25. Choice 2-3 1205-1595 lbs 61.00-66.00. Select and low Choice 2-3 1300-1575 lbs 59.75-63.00. Select 1-2 1175-1545 lbs 55.00-59.00. Standard 1-2 1045-1365 lbs 50.50-55.00
 Slaughter Heifers Prime 3 1230-1285 lbs 78.00-78.25. Choice 2-3, few 4 1060-1485 lbs 74.00-77.25, few Yield Grade 4-5 72.25-72.75, few Charolais and Limi-X's 75.00-79.50, few high dressing Yield Grade 1-2 82.00-85.00
 Slaughter Cows. Breakers 70-75 Over 1400 lbs 40.00-48.75, 37.00-42.75 Boners 75-80 Over 1200 lbs 37.25-43.25, 35.25-39.25 few outstanding up to 45.00. Lean (Hi-Yield) 80-85 Over 1200 lbs 36.75-41.50, 34.00-37.50. Lean 85-90 Over 1000 lbs 33.00-38.50, 29.00-35.50 few late in the week 39.75. Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 750-1000 lbs 29.00-33.75, 24.50-31.50
 Slaughter Bulls. Yield Grade 1 1010-2315 lbs 48.25-56.00, few high dressing up to 56.75. Yield Grade 2 1190-2100 lbs 46.25-51.75, full 45.40-47.50.

Calf Summary. Compared to last week, slaughter calves continue to trade steady, as buyer competition is all but void. Holstein bull calves going into special-fed veal barns sold sharply higher at the two graded sales this week. Northeast special-fed veal sold mostly 2.00 lower this week, with the 5797 head reported by the USDA trading from 185.00-192.00 for 215-275 lb hide-off carcasses. Holstein heifers continue to remain under 300.00 at most area sales, with buyer interest moderate to light. This week the PA Department of Agriculture graded 733 head of bulls and heifers for the two graded sales in Lancaster County, which is around 200 head less than last week.

Slaughter Calves: Standard and Utility 55-110 lbs 15.00-30.00, weaker down to 11.00.
 Calves Going On Feed:
 Monday - Holstein Bulls individual 130 lbs 90.00; 90-125 lbs 120.00-140.00. Plamer-type Bulls 90-125 lbs 90.00-117.00. Weaker bulls 90-125 lbs 67.00-85.00. Few Holstein heifers 90 lbs 240.00; 70 lbs 110.00.
 Tuesday - Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 127.00-172.00; package 85 lbs 145.00; package 80 lbs 70.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 90-115 lbs 127.00-132.00; package 83 lbs 85.00. Holstein Bulls sold in the singles auction: few 130-135 lbs 80.00-125.00; few 100-125 lbs 125.00-140.00. Fancy 135 lb Swiss bull 40.00. Graded Number One Holstein Heifers 90-115 lbs 250.00-320.00; package 82 lbs 220.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Heifers 90-110 lbs 240.00-260.00, package 83 lbs 150.00; package 74 lbs 80.00. Holstein Heifers sold in the singles auction: 90 lb individual 235.00.
 Thursday - Graded Number One Holstein Bulls 90-125 lbs 200.00-212.00, package 145.00; 85-90 lbs 125.00; 80-85 lbs 92.00. Graded Number Two Holstein Bulls 95-125 lbs 150.00-180.00; 85-95 lbs 100.00; 80-90 lbs 55.00. Few Holstein Heifers 90-120 lbs 210.00-260.00; few 80-85 lbs 145.00-150.00.

Jersey Shore Livestock Market, Inc.
 Jersey Shore, Pa.
 Report Supplied By Auction
 Thursday, April 10, 2003
 RETURN TO FARM CALF: 100-290.
 GOOD VEAL 70.00-99.00.
 COMMON VEAL: 15.00-69.00
 CHOICE STEERS: 78.00-81.00
 SELECT STEERS: 73.00-77.00
 COMMON STEERS: 55.00-72.00
 COMMERCIAL COWS: 38.00-48.50.
 CANNERS/CUTTERS: 33.00-41.00.
 SHELLS: 24.00-32.00.
 CHOICE HEIFERS: 75.00-80.00.
 SELECT HEIFERS: 70.00-74.00.
 COMMON HEIFERS: 47.00-69.00.
 COMMON FEEDERS: 35.00-70.00.
 BULLS: 43.00-58.00.
 GOOD HOGS 35.00-37.00.
 SOWS: 24.00-26.00.

Pennsylvania Livestock Auction

Waynesburg, Pa.
 Thursday, April 10, 2003
 Report Supplied By Auction
 Cattle: STOCK COWS: 34.50-52.00. SLAUGHTER COWS: Utility & Commercial 37.00-45.50; Boner & Boning Utility 31.00-36.00; Cutter & Boning Utility 30.00-34.00; Canner & Low Cutter 30.00-33.50; Shells 29.00 & down.
 BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 1500#-2000# 39.00-53.50; YIELD GRADE 2 1000#-1400# 38.00-56.00.
 FEEDER STEERS: M & L 1 300-500# 80.00-92.00. 250-280# 80.00-92.00; M 600-900# 55.00-85.00.
 HEIFERS: M 1 & L 1 300-500# 68.00-81.00; L 1 400-650# 60.00-77.00.
 BULLS: M & L 1 300-620# 70.00-91.00.
 CALVES: Veal Prime 70.00-85.00; Choice 60.00-84.00; Good 35.00-70.00; Farm Calves #1 Holstein Bulls 90-120# Few 35.00-150.00; #2 Holstein Bulls 80-100# Few 10.00-50.00; Beef - Bull & Hfrs./Hd. 35.00-90.00.
 HOGS: Barrows & Gilts #1-2 210-255# 35.00-41.00; #2-3 255-280# 40.00-40.00; Sows #1-3 300-500# 22.50-33.00; Feeder Pigs 1-3 15-20# 5.00-22.00/Hd. 1-3 25-35# 10.00-23.00/Hd.
 LAMBS: High Choice 80-100# 77.00-128.00; Choice 40-75# 75.00-140.00; Feeder Lambs Good 50.00-95.00; Sheep 22.00-37.00; Fat Sheep 20.00 and down.
 GOATS: Large 45.00-120.00/Hd.; Medium 30.00-67.00/Hd.; Small 10.00-30.00/Hd.
 HORSES: Horses 19.00-51.50; Ponies 20.00-48.00.

Greencastle Livestock
 Greencastle, Pa.
 Report Supplied by PDA
 Thursday, April 10 2003
 CATTLE: 169.
 COWS: 1.00-3.00 HIGHER THAN LAST THURSDAY.
 HOLSTEIN STEERS: SELECT 1-2 COUPLE 50.25 & 53.00. STANDARD 1-2 43.75, 46.00.
 COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 40.00, 45.25, AVERAGE 43.00. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 34.25, 44.25, AVERAGE 40.10. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 31.50, 41.00, MOSTLY 32.50, 39.50, AVERAGE 35.70.
 BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 ONE AT 1765 LBS. 54.50. YG 2 ONE AT 1675 LBS. 47.75.
 FEEDER CATTLE. BULLS: L-3 HOLSTEINS, ONE AT 430 LBS. 47.00, ONE AT 1050 LBS. 42.00.
 CALVES: 172. STANDARD & GOOD 70/110 LBS. 30.00, 35.00. UTILITY 60/90 LBS. 10.00, 25.00. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN

Indiana Livestock Auction
 Homer City, Pa.
 Thursday, April 10, 2003
 Report Supplied By PDA
 CATTLE: 110. STEERS. STEADY TO 5.00 HIGHER COWS: STEADY TO 3.00 HIGHER.
 STEERS. CHOICE 1-3 1230/380 LBS 75.00, 78.25 SELECT 1-2 70.50, 72.50.
 HOLSTEIN STEERS: CHOICE 2-3 1228 LBS ONE AT 62.00. SELECT 1-2 54.00, 59.00. STANDARD 1-2 45.00, 48.50.
 HEIFERS: CHOICE 1-3 1050/1380 LBS. 74.00, 79.75. SELECT 1-2 69.00, 72.50. STANDARD 1-2 55.00, 64.00.
 COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 38.75, 48.50, COUPLE TO 52.50. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 36.00, 39.00. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 31.50, 36.50. SHELLS 31.50 AND DOWN.
 BULLS: YG 1 1085/1505 LBS. 49.00, 53.00 YG 2 1130/1680 LBS. 39.25, 47.75.
 FEEDER CATTLE: NO MARKET TEST.
 CALVES: 70. STANDARD & GOOD 70/110 LBS. 30.00, 35.00. UTILITY 58/100 LBS. 22.50, 30.00. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY. NO. 1 BULLS 90/130 LBS. 130.00, 157.50, FEW TO 165.00, 80/85 LBS. 115.00, 130.00. NO. 2 BULLS 90/130 LBS. 80.00, 127.50. NO. 1 HEIFERS 95 LBS. ONE AT 270.00. NO. 2 HEIFERS 70/110 LBS. 125.00, 210.00. BEEF CROSS BULLS AND HEIFERS 80/115 LBS. 80.00, 155.00, 140 & 160 LBS. 120.00 & 130.00.
 HOGS: 20. BARROW & GILTS STEADY. 45-50% LEAN 255/305 LBS. 33.00, 40.00. LITE 40-45% LEAN 260/320 LBS. 26.00, 30.25 US

1-3 444 LBS ONE AT 25.00. BOARS: 170/590 LBS 5.50, 9.50.
 FEEDER PIGS NO MARKET TEST
 SHEEP: 101. CHOICE 35/50 LBS. 131.00, 144.00 CH 55/75 LBS 114.00, 127.00 CHOICE 80/100 LBS 96.00, 115.00. GOOD & CHOICE 30/45 LBS 85.00, 125.00 SLAUGHTER SHEEP 10.00, 27.50
 GOATS: 42. KIDS SELECTION 1 20/40 1 BS. 32.00, 38.00, 40/60 LBS. 40.00, 50.00. SELECTION 3 20/40 LBS. 12.50, 27.50 NANNIES. 50/70 LBS 20.00, 40.00, 70/100 LBS FEW AT 50.00

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 HOLSTEIN STEERS: SELECT 1-2 COUPLE 50.25 & 53.00. STANDARD 1-2 43.75, 46.00.
 COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 40.00, 45.25, AVERAGE 43.00. BONERS 80-85% LEAN 34.25, 44.25, AVERAGE 40.10. LEAN 85-90% LEAN 31.50, 41.00, MOSTLY 32.50, 39.50, AVERAGE 35.70.
 BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 ONE AT 1765 LBS. 54.50. YG 2 ONE AT 1675 LBS. 47.75.
 FEEDER CATTLE. BULLS: L-3 HOLSTEINS, ONE AT 430 LBS. 47.00, ONE AT 1050 LBS. 42.00.
 CALVES: 172. STANDARD & GOOD 70/110 LBS. 30.00, 35.00. UTILITY 60/90 LBS. 10.00, 25.00. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN

BULLS 600-650 HIGHER. NO. 1 BULLS 90/125 LBS. 125.00, 155.00. MOSTLY 130.00, 150.00. AVERAGE 138.90, 80/90 LBS. 105.00, 130.00. NO. 2 BULLS 80/125 LBS 70.00, 127.50. WEAKER CALVES DOWN TO 50.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS: NO. 1 95/115 LBS. FEW 250.00, 270.00. NO. 2 80/95 LBS. FEW 165.00, 190.00. BEEF CROSS BULLS ONE AT 110 LBS. 100.00
 HOGS. NO MARKET TEST
 FEEDER PIGS: 0. NO MARKET TEST.
 SHEEP: 55 CHOICE 30/50 LBS. 115.00, 137.50 CH 55/75 LBS. 110.00, 121.00 GOOD ONE AT 75 LBS. 77.50. SLAUGHTER SHEEP FEW 22.00, 32.50.
 GOATS: 74 KIDS: SELECTION 1 UNDER 20 LBS. 17.50, 20/40 LBS. 25.00, 44.00, 40/60 LBS. 61.00, 62.50. SELECTION 2 UNDER 20 LBS. 14.00, 16.00, 20/40 LBS. 22.00, 40.00, 40/60 LBS. 35.00, 47.00. SELECTION 3 20/40 LBS. 20.00. YEARLINGS: SELECTION 1 40/60 LBS. 38.00, 49.00, 60/80 LBS. 56.00, 65.00. NANNIES: 50/70 LBS. 22.50, 40.00, 70/100 55.00, 60.00. WETHERS: 100/125 LBS. 62.50, 70.00.

Greencastle Hay

Greencastle, Pa.
 Report Supplied By Auction
 April 10, 2003
 HAY: 15 LOADS, STRAW 6 LOADS.
 TOTAL LOADS. 21.
 ALFALFA: 122.00-145.00.
 MIX HAY: 120.00-165.00.

New Director For Bureau Of Ride And Measurement Standards

HARRISBURG (Dauphin Co.) — Agriculture Secretary designee Dennis C. Wolff announced that Governor Ed Rendell has appointment Kent D. Shelhamer Jr. as the new director for the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture's Bureau of Ride and Measurement Standards.
 A member of several boards, committees and community groups, Shelhamer sustains a commitment to agriculture while holding more than 30 years of management experience in retail and wholesale operations. From 1982 to the present, Shelhamer served as a member of the Pennsylvania Farm Bureau (PFB) Association.

farm labor, drought relief, property taxes and various farming issues on behalf of the association's 28,000 members.
 Shelhamer also serves as an adviser to the State Agriculture Labor Committee and Farm Safety Committee. Since 1999, he has been a member of the Penn State Cooperative Extension Board.
 Shelhamer attended Bloomsburg State Teacher's College after graduation from Central Columbia High School and received accreditation in soil analysis from Penn State. Shelhamer resides in Berwick.

As a member of the PFB State Executive Committee from 1998 to the present and a State Board member since 1995, Shelhamer has testified and voted on issues of seasonal

PUBLIC SALE
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Managers Can Improve Reproduction, Milk Production

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Modern dairy farms must have management systems that help people to do the right jobs the right way and at the right time. This may sound simple enough, but it takes a lot of thought and planning to design and implement such systems with a workforce.
 Dairy Alliance will conduct two workshops that will help dairy managers and advisers to greatly improve day-to-day performance from their employees in specific dairy production areas.

back tools that dairy farms need in order to improve herd reproduction. Participants will receive example SOPs, monitoring charts, training materials and other useful materials. They will learn practical steps that they can use immediately in their own operations. At the end of the program, participants will be able to implement a system of reproductive management on their dairy that will maximize the number of pregnant cows they get and minimize reproductive losses.
 The Milking Management

heim. The workshop will focus on the milking center. Management in this area is particularly important because many people must work together to consistently perform the vital work of harvesting quality milk in an efficient manner. Once again the emphasis will be on building systems to ensure that work is done correctly and consistently. Participants will receive example materials and practical learning experiences that they can use in their own operations.
 Registration fee for each program is \$65 and includes

all software, educational materials, and meals. For more information, or to register for either workshop, call the Dairy Alliance office at (888) 373-PADA. Visit the Dairy Alliance Website at www.dairyalliance.org.


The Reproductive Management Systems Workshop is scheduled Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Donahoe Center in Greensburg. The workshop will focus on the standard operating procedures (SOPs), monitoring tactics, and feed-

Systems Workshop is scheduled Friday, April 25, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Lancaster DHIA's office in Man-

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