

September 22-23 **THIS WEEK WITH** **2003**

SEPTEMBER 22
New Moon
Best days to begin a diet

SEPTEMBER 23
Best days to start a new project

SEPTEMBER 27
Rosh Hashanah

Crusader with a Drawing Pen

September 27 is the birthday of **Thomas Nast**, the father of American political cartooning. Born in Germany in 1840, Nast immigrated to America when he was six years old and got his first job as an illustrator at age 15. Beginning in the mid 1800s, Nast used his politically pointed caricatures to expose corruption and to work for civil rights for immigrants and minorities. It was Nast who gave us the Democratic donkey and the Republican elephant, and our modern conception of Uncle Sam and Santa Claus. Nast not only drew the Santa we all know today, he also conceived and created Santa's North Pole home and workshop.

Hot Potato Salad

Try the bacon until crisp; drain, reserving 4 tablespoons of drippings. Blend sugar, flour, and mustard into drippings. Stir in vinegar and water, cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Pour over hot potatoes. Mix in onion crumbled bacon and seasonings. Top with eggs. **MAKES 6 SERVINGS.**

WIT AND WISDOM FROM THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

- Woodchucks begin to hibernate now.
- Autumn begins on September 23 at 6:47 A.M. LDT.

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New Holland Dairy Sale

New Holland Sales Stables Report Supplied by Auction Wednesday, September 17, 2003

139 DAIRY COWS, 97 HEIFERS, 15 BULLS. MARKET STEADY.

LOCAL FRESH COWS 535.00-1550.00.

LOCAL SPRINGERS 835.00-1435.00, 1 AT 1725.00.

BETTER FRESH COWS 1625.00-1725.00.

LARGE HEIFERS 1475.00-1560.00.

SHORT BRED HEIFERS 450.00-1050.00.

OPEN BREDDING AGE HEIFERS 885.00-910.00.

BULLS 285.00-900.00, **PUREBREDS** 375.00-700.00.

UPSTATE LOADS FRESH 1100.00-1550.00, **FEW** 1625.00-1775.00.

FRESH HEIFERS 500.00-1400.00, **FEW** 1650.00-1750.00.

SMALL HEIFERS 775.00-1335.00.

SMALL OPEN HEIFERS 510.00-700.00.

SMALLER OPEN HEIFERS 300.00-460.00.

HEIFERS: Choice 1-3 1050-1175 lbs 87.50-96.50, few Select 1-2 78.00-86.50, few Standard 1-2 60.00-68.00.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 51.00-58.00, one 61.00, Boners 80-85% lean 44.00-52.00, Lean 85-90% lean 37.50-44.50. Shells 36.00 and down.

BULLS: few Yield Grade 1 1665-2120 lbs 51.00-57.00, few Yield Grade 2 1105-1760 lbs 44.00-54.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: one Medium 1 330 lbs 86.00; Heifers: Medium 1-2 265-440 lbs 72.00-83.00, few Medium 1 780-880 lbs 60.00-75.00, few Medium 2 460-620 lbs 71.00-74.00; **BULLS:** Medium 1-2 340-570 lbs 79.00-91.00.

CALVES 115...(All calves sold per cwt).

FARM CALVES: No 1 Holstein bulls 85-115 lbs 107.50-132.50, few 80 lbs 60.00, No 2 80-115 lbs 50.00-115.00; few No 1 Holstein heifers 90-105 lbs 450.00, few No 2 85-95 lbs 200.00-325.00.

HOGS 90...Barrows and gilts steady to stronger on light supply. **BARROWS AND GILTS:** one small lot 49-54% lean 247 lbs 47.25, 45-50% lean 220-280 lbs 42.00-44.25, 40-45% lean 355-605 lbs 40.00-41.50.

SOWS: 1-3 355-605 lbs 27.00-33.50.

FEEDER PIGS 17...1-3 20-40 lbs 12.50-25.00, few 110-140 lbs 35.00-52.50 per head

SHEEP 83...**SLAUGHTER LAMBS:** High Choice and Prime 60-70 lbs 115.00-117.50, Choice 100-140 lbs 60.00-88.00, 75-100 lbs 67.00-90.00, Good and Choice 50-75 lbs 50.00-70.00.

SLAUGHTER SHEEP: 29.00-59.00.

GOATS 9...(All sold by the head with weights estimated). Kids Selection 2 few 20-40 lbs 17.00-30.00. Nannies: couple 70 & 90 lbs 31.00 & 49.00. Billies: couple 80 & 125 lbs 55.00 & 100.00.

Mercer Livestock Auction

Mercer, Pa. September 16, 2003 Report Supplied By PDA

CATTLE 426...(PDA)...Compared with last week's sale, sl. steers mostly steady, Holsteins were weak, sl. cow 1.50 to 3.50 lower.

STEERS: one High Choice and Prime 2-3 1355 lbs 95.25, Choice 1-3 1115-1430 lbs 85.00-94.00, Select 1-2 73.00-84.00, Standard 1-2 60.00-70.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: Choice 2-3 1220-1510 lbs 69.00-78.50, few Select 1-2 64.25-69.00, Standard 1-2 50.00-65.00.

HEIFERS: Choice 1-3 1025-1455 lbs 84.50-94.25, few Select 1-2 74.00-85.00, few Standard 1-2 53.00-67.00.

COWS: Breakers 75-80% lean 50.00-55.50, one 60.00, Low Yielding 44.00-49.50, Boners 80-85% lean 42.00-51.00, Lean 85-90% lean 36.50-44.50. Shells 35.75 and down.

BULLOCKS: one Select 1-3 1115 lbs 62.00.

BULLS: few Yield Grade 1 1435-2175 lbs 54.00-59.25, few Yield Grade 2 1255-1875 lbs 50.00-55.25.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: Medium 1 350-600 lbs 76.00-89.00, 600-700 lbs 65.00-77.00, Large 2 550-760 lbs 60.00-69.00, Medium 2 350-600 lbs 59.00-75.00; **HEIFERS:** Medium 1 300-525 lbs 73.00-83.00, Medium 2 300-550 lbs 61.00-71.00, 550-700 lbs 65.00-77.00; **BULLS:** Medium 1 300-500 lbs 80.00-90.00, 500-700 lbs 76.00-78.00, Medium 2 200-300 lbs 65.00-91.00, 300-500 lbs 70.00-80.00.

CALVES 53...**VEALERS:** Standard and Good 75-90 lbs 20.00-30.00, Utility 55-70 lbs 5.00-20.00. **FARM CALVES:** No 1 Holstein bulls 95-125 lbs 75.00-100.00, few 80-90 lbs 40.00-70.00, No 2 80-125 lbs 40.00-75.00; one No 2 Holstein heifer 135 lbs 80.00.

Few beef cross bulls and heifers 75-150 lbs 47.50-61.00.

HOGS 32...**BARROWS AND GILTS:** one lot 49-54% lean 240 lbs 48.75, 45-50% lean 230-280 lbs 43.25-46.25.

SOWS: one 1-3 500 lbs 33.50.

BOARS: one 675 lbs 7.75.

FEEDER PIGS 0...**NO MARKET TEST!**

SHEEP 0...**NO MARKET TEST!**

GOATS 3...(All goats sold by the head with weights estimated). Kids. Selection 2-couple 30 lbs 10.00. Billies: one 100 lbs 70.00.

Morrison's Cove Livestock

Martinsburg, Pa. Report Supplied by Auction September 15, 2003

CATTLE: 211 HEAD.

STEERS: CHOICE 82.00-90.00, GOOD 78.00-82.00.

HEIFERS: CHOICE 81.00-88.00, GOOD 68.00-80.00.

COWS: UTILITY AND COMMERCIAL 40.00-54.00, CANNER AND LOW CUTTER 20.00-38.00.

BULLOCKS: GOOD & CHOICE 54.00-65.00.

BULLS: YG+N1, 45.00-57.50.

FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS 65.00-80.00; BULLS 63.00-75.00; HEIFERS 50.00-80.00.

CALVES: 101 HEAD. CHOICE AND GOOD 85.00-95.00, GOOD 75.00-84.00, STANDARD 20.00-45.00; **HOLSTEIN BULLS** 90-130 LBS. 70.00-130.00, **HOLSTEIN HEIFERS** 90-130 LBS. 80.00-320.00.

HOGS: 131. US+N1-2, 40.00-41.50; US +N1-3, 38.00-40.00.

SOWS: US +N1-3 18.00-36.00.

BOARS: 7 50-25.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 25 HEAD. US +N1-3 20-50 LBS 8.00-30.00.

SHEEP: 35 HEAD. CHOICE LAMBS 100.00-105.00, GOOD LAMBS 85.00-95.00, SL. EWES 35.00-45.00.

GOATS: 20.00-85.00 EACH.

New Wilmington Livestock

New Wilmington, Pa. Report Supplied By PDA Monday, September 15, 2003

CATTLE 212...(PDA)...Compared with two week's ago...steers were 8.00 higher. Breaker and Boner cows were steady to 2.00 higher, Boners were .50 to 1.50 lower.

STEERS: Choice 1-3 1150-1400 lbs 90.00-95.00, one 86.00, Select 1-2 77.00-83.00, few Standard 1-2 65.00-68.50.

HOLSTEIN STEERS few Choice 2-3 1325-1565 lbs 71.50-77.50, few Select 1-2 65.00-70.50.

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UPCOMING SALES

- ★ Toy & Collectible Auction ★
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