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From Your Commissioner . . .

A New Corn Maze Offers Artistic Flourishes

What may be New Hampshire's largest and most intricate corn maze opens for fall fun this weekend in East Conway. The corn maze craze has spread all over the U.S. over the past few years, and the Sherman Farm's layout in the Mount Washington Valley expects to draw visitors from throughout New Hampshire and Maine.



It covers over eight acres, and contains more than three miles' worth of twists, turns and decision points. The correct pathway can be walked in about 15 minutes, but its designer, Brett Herbst, figures it will take most people at least an hour to figure their way through the paths.

Herbst is a Utah-based entrepreneur who claims to have the largest cornfield maze-design company in the world. Since getting into the business a decade ago he has designed over 600 mazes, including 160 this year alone in the U.S., Mexico, Canada and Europe.

An aerial photo of the Sherman Farm maze reveals the complexity and artistic flourishes of Herbst's design. At one end "Sherman Farm" is spelled out; at the other it shows "2007." In between is a medal-like circular treatment containing an image of the Old Man of the Mountains, the state "Live Free or Die" motto and other details, all delineated by the layout of the paths.

Phyllis Sherman says the maze field was planted with a conventional planter in a cross-hatched pattern using Roundup Ready corn seed and the lanes carved out in accordance with Herbst's design after emergence. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids 6-11, little ones free, and the maze will be operated weekends through Oct. 28.

Prices for recyclables are way up and, no surprise, a lot of the stuff is being shipped to China for reuse. A one-ton bale of crushed aluminum beverage cans is worth \$2,000 when loaded into a sea box, old vehicle batteries bring \$3 to \$6 and anything copper fetches upwards of \$2.75 a pound.

After being scarce for years guys with trucks are coming around looking for farmstead junk. And thieves are about, too, stealing pipe, wire, flashing and other metal materials from construction sites and unsecured buildings. Several states are looking to tighten laws to deal with the problem, including a measure in California that would require scrap yards to report daily to local law enforcement all purchases of scrap materials and their origin.

A little-noticed bill that was passed into law in the recent legislative session protects the identity of our New Hampshire farmers' markets. Only entities that meet the statutory definition of a farmers' market—two or more vendors gathered to sell agricultural commodities on a site they do not own—can use the term "farmers market" in their

name.

This will stop commercial convenience stores and other kinds of establishments from trading on the public image and goodwill of real farmers' markets.

Stonyfield Farm, the ever-growing Londonderry yogurt maker, announced last week that 100 percent of its product line is now organic. CEO Gary Hirshberg has been aiming in that direction for years, and now sufficient quantities of organically produced fluid milk are available in the region to assure full-bore organic output.

The announcement came as Stonyfield broke ground on yet another addition to provide space for expanded operations. In 2006 the company undertook a major revamp of its manufacturing lines, adding new processing and packaging equipment to boost production and reduce energy and labor costs.

Speaking to employees at a company gathering, Hirshberg projected continued growth despite intense competition. Stonyfield claims more than seven percent of the U.S. yogurt market, and is the only brand that is gaining share currently. He also touted the company's green agenda, which seeks to reduce environmental impacts while helping the bottom line at the same time. Among these measures are improved transportation management, greater energy efficiency and reductions in wastewater volume.

Hirshberg offered special praise for the St. Albans Cooperative Creamery, which has been Stonyfield's fluid milk supplier for years and has been critical to Stonyfield's ability to now bill itself as 100 percent organic.

The \$300 million company has a presence in supermarket and food service sectors nationwide and counts Wal-Mart as one of its top accounts. The Londonderry plant runs around the clock, seven days a week.

Not bad for an outfit that started out with a herd of a half dozen Jerseys making yogurt in the milk room of a hardscrabble farm up a side road in Wilton almost 25 years ago.

Steve Taylor, Commissioner

When Packing Lunches, Keep Food Safety in Mind

Every morning, millions of Americans pack bag lunches that they take to school or work. While most people understand the importance of including healthy foods in their lunch bags, it is also important to keep food safety in mind.

"The first step is to handle and cook food safely at home," says Mandel Smith, Penn State Cooperative Extension nutrition educator.

"When you travel to school or work, food brought from home can be kept safe if you keep perishable items cold until lunchtime."

Why is it important to keep food cold? Because harmful bacteria grow quickly in the temperature "danger zone" between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit. Perishable foods kept in this temperature zone won't stay safe until lunchtime. Smith shares these helpful lunch packing and transporting tips to keep food safe:

—Pack only the amount of perishable food that can be eaten at lunch.

—Prepare food the night before and store the packed lunch in the refrigerator.

—Insulated, soft-sided lunch boxes or bags are best for keeping food cold, but metal or plastic lunch boxes and paper bags also can be used.

—Ice or another cold source should be packed with perishable food in any type of lunch bag or box.

—If there is a refrigerator available at school or work, store perishable items there upon arrival. "Some food is safe without a cold source," Smith says.

"Items that don't require refrigeration include whole fruits and vegetables, hard cheese, canned meat and fish, chips, breads, crackers, peanut butter, jelly, mustard and pickles."

—Extension News

Biotech Expansion

The area planted to biotech crops in 2006 increased 13 percent from 2005. This is the 11th consecutive year that plantings of genetically modified crops have increased by more than 10 percent. More farmers planted more acres of biotech crops in more countries in 2006 than ever before.

Agricultural Fairs

Rochester Fair-Lafayette St., Sept. 14-23, 332-6585.

Deerfield Fair, Rts. 107 & 43, Sept. 27-30, 463-7421.

The Sandwich Fair-Center Sandwich, Oct. 6-8, 284-7062.

Study Chronicles Trend To Ever-Larger Dairies

Dairy farming in the United States is undergoing dramatic changes, driven by both supply and demand factors. Consumption is shifting from fluid milk, generally produced for local markets, toward manufactured products, such as cheese, and dairy-based ingredients produced for national and global markets.

Innovations in breeding and feeding systems have led to large increases in the amount of milk that a cow produces. Milk production is shifting toward Western States like California, Idaho, and New Mexico, and to much larger farms.

The number of dairy farms with fewer than 200 cows is shrinking, while the number of very large operations, with 2,000 or more cows doubled between 2000 and 2006, according to a USDA Economic Research Service report.

Large dairy farms first emerged in the Western States, but are now appearing in traditional dairy states as well. This report documents shifts in the location and size of dairy farms, and also takes a look at what those changes may mean. If the shift in farm size reflects economies of scale in dairy production—that is, lower costs on larger farms—then increasing farm size also enables milk to be produced with

fewer resources, thereby reducing prices to consumers.

However, the shifts also concentrate animal wastes from manure onto a much smaller land base and may exacerbate pollution associated with concentrated livestock production.

Large dairy enterprises generate returns that, on average, well exceed their full costs. At the same time, smaller dairy farms mostly incur economic losses—the value of their production does not exceed full costs, including the costs of capital and time committed by their owners.

Large farms incur much lower costs, on average, than smaller farms, and these advantages accrue across a wide range of sizes. Costs per hundredweight of milk produced fall by nearly half as herd size increases from fewer than 50 head to 500 head, and continue to fall, but less sharply, at even larger herd sizes.

Dairy investment decisions are consistent with the financial evidence. Farms with fewer than 200 cows accounted for over two-thirds of the nationwide inventory of cows in 1992. By 2006, their share of the nationwide inventory had dropped to 38 percent. Meanwhile, farms with at

least 1,000 head of dairy cows are growing more prevalent.

They accounted for less than 10 percent of inventory in 1992 but more than a third by 2006. Structural shifts are evident among the largest farms, too. During the 1990s, farms with 1,000-3,000 head were adding the most capacity, but capacity additions have since shifted to even larger farms, with 3,000-10,000 head.

Some small dairy farms are profitable, and others continue to earn enough to remain in operation. As a result, structural change is likely for the foreseeable future, with a continuing decline, rather than a sudden disappearance, of small and midsize dairy operations. The ongoing structural changes will continue to place downward pressure on milk prices.

Excess nutrient applications, which arise from animal manure and can cause water and air pollution, appear to be intensified on larger operations. But their production cost advantages still outweigh the likely additional costs of manure treatment and removal, and it is unlikely that manure management regulations will reverse the ongoing patterns of structural change.

—USDA News

Sustainable Ag Program Grants Now Available

The Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (SARE) program offers three different competitive grant programs, all with application deadlines in the late fall and early winter. These grants are capped at \$10,000 and should offer innovative approaches to sustainable agriculture.

Farmer grants are for commercial farmers who would like to explore a new practice or idea, often by conducting an experiment, trial, or on-farm demonstration. Projects can explore a wide range of topics such as pest management, soil health, adding value, marketing, or new production techniques, and funds can be used to pay for the farmer's time and for materials specific to the project. The application deadline is Dec. 18.

Partnership grants are for Cooperative Extension, NRCS, and other agricultural service providers who work directly with farmers. Partnership Grants support on-farm research and demonstration projects in sustainable agriculture, and funds can be used to pay for personnel, materials, sampling, supplies, testing, and to compensate cooperating farmers for their time.

The application deadline is Dec. 4.

Sustainable Community grants are for projects that connect farming and rural economic development. Projects can address issues like finance, marketing, land and water use, enterprise development, adding value to farm products, or farm labor. Applicants must be affiliated with an organization such as a community non-profit, Cooperative Extension, local government, an educational institution, a planning board, a farming cooperative, or an incorporated citizens' group. This grant is offered in partnership with the Northeast Center for Rural Development, and the application deadline is Nov. 27.

Applications are posted on the Northeast SARE web site at www.uvm.edu/~nesare, or call 802/656-0471 to request a printed copy. The Northeast SARE region is made up of Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, Maryland, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, West Virginia, and Washington, D.C.

NH Farmers' Market Directory

To find your local farmer's market visit our 2007 Farmers' Market Directory at:

www.agriculture.nh.gov



Funds Available for Risk Renews on Stock Farms

The Division of Animal Industry has received grant funds to "pay private veterinary practitioners to conduct on-farm evaluations of animal health risks" for farms in New Hampshire by the end of the year.

This service will be much like the risk assessment portion of the voluntary Johnes disease program which the state has been administering for several years. The current funds open up this opportunity to all varieties of livestock farms.

If you would like to have someone else pay for your veterinarian to "walk the farm", discuss herd/flock management, and provide you with a written assessment of farm disease risks, please have your veterinarian contact the Division of Animal Industry at 271-2404.

As well, the division has some funds available to conduct avian influenza testing for small and backyard poultry flocks in New Hampshire. This money is limited and also must be expended by year-end.

If you are interested in having your birds tested for avian influenza, please contact the Division of Animal Industry at 271-2404

—Dr. Stephen Crawford
State Veterinarian

N.E. Apple Forecast

New England's 2007 apple crop is expected to total 3.8 million bushels (42-pound units), 14 percent above the 2006 crop. This past winter was fairly mild, with few reported instances of winterkill. Wet, cold conditions in April delayed pollination in orchards across New England and increased instances of apple scab and root rot. May brought sunnier weather and much better pollinating conditions. However, thunderstorms in late June and July brought significant hail damage to some locations. As of August 1, most growers were optimistic about the crop, stating this was one of the best growing seasons of the past few years. New England fruit set was reported moderate and size of fruit was medium. The crop was rated in good to fair condition as of August 19, 2007.

—USDA News

Question of the Week

Q: What's the difference between bees and wasps?

A: Many people confuse bees with wasps. Although related, they aren't the same. Wasps feed insects to their young. They have slender bodies with narrow waists and slender, cylindrical legs, and appear smoothed-skinned and shiny. Yellowjackets, baldfaced hornets, and paper wasps are the most common types of wasps encountered by people.

Bees feed pollen and nectar to their young. They are robust-bodied and very hairy compared with wasps. Their hind legs are flattened for collecting and transporting pollen. Bees are important pollinators. Honey bees are responsible for more than 80% of the pollination required by most fruits, legumes, and vegetables as well as many ornamentals grown in our landscapes. Common bees are the honey bee and the bumble bee.

During late summer and fall, yellowjackets become aggressive scavengers, disrupting outside activities where food or drink is served, and lurking around trash bins and compost piles. Preventing wasp-scavenging is difficult, as there are no insecticides that effectively repel or discourage them.

Got questions? UNH Cooperative Extension's Family, Home & Garden Education Center Info Line offers practical help finding answers for your lawn and garden questions. Call toll free at 1-877-398-4769, M-F, 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., and W 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., or e-mail us at answers@unh.edu

Ag Calendar

Sept. 22: Fall Beekeeping Workshop, **WALPOLE**, 1-3 p.m. Contact 756-9056 or lindena@sover.net for more info

Sept. 22: Open Farm Day & Annual Meeting, Stonewall Farm, **KEENE**. Contact 357-7278 or: www.stonewallfarm.org for more info.

Sept. 22 & 23: Apple Days & Apple Pie Contest, NH Farm Museum, **MILTON**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Contact 652-7840 for more info.

Sept. 23-29: NH Winery Week! Visit www.nhwineryassociation.com for more info.

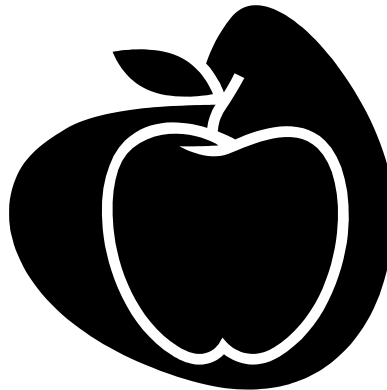
Sept. 29: Pride of Place: The Wentworth Coolidge Mansion, Wentworth Coolidge State Historic Site, **PORTSMOUTH**, 2:45 p.m. Contact 224-2281 for more info.

Apples

Varieties Available

Cortland, Elstar, Gala, Ginger Gold, Gravenstein, Honey Crisp, McIntosh, Paula Red, Spartans.

Fancy:	
1/2 peck	4.00-6.50
peck	7.50-10.50
1/2 bushel	12.00-18.00
bushel	22.00-32.00
PYO	
1/2 peck	6.00
peck	9.00-10.00
1/2 bushel	16.00
bushel	22.00-32.00



Pesticide Applicator Recertification Seminars

Meetings approved by the Division of Pesticide Control for recertification credits:

Oct. 4 Landscaping at Water's Edge
Meredith Community Center, Meredith
Contact: Sadie Puglisi 225-5505 Credits 4.5 PC*

*Private=Private Credits

*C=Commercial Credits

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**Your name, indicate that you are an online subscriber,
NH telephone number, town and a price(s) for items that you are selling.
Thank you!**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Full service barn, lit yr. rnd. arena, trails, lessons, pony rides, close to fairgrounds/hi-ways, CFMI, full board \$350/mo. – **DEERFIELD**, 463-5599.

Discussion forums for Northeast Farms & ag related issues. –**DEERING**, 464-5722 or
<http://nefarmersflea.proboards105.com>, steveains@tds.net

Custom sawing w/portable Woodmizer sawmill, your site/mine. –**LANDAFF**, 838-5258.

Tractor restoration, repairs, eng. work, elect., hyds., tune ups, welding, fabrications, etc. –**SANDOWN**, 361-0825.

Tractor & farm equip. repair, tune-ups to overhauls, will travel; custom sawing w/portable Wood-Mizer bandsaw, \$.25/softwood, \$.35/hardwood. –**NORTHWOOD**, 435-8214.

Reg. Boer goat buck avail. for breeding services. –**SOUTH HAMPTON**, 394-7472.

WANTED

'82 Ford 1700 tractor bucket loader. –**BEDFORD**, 622-5781.

Corn silage, 16 yds. tri-axle load. –**BRISTOL**, 744-8032.

Sap pan, s.s. 24"x55"+, 6" deep. –**CANDIA**, 483-2320.

JD single horse mower w/4' cutter bar, working cond. or nds. work. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-7754.

Pet quality Nubian does. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-3904.

Old iron wheeled chisel plow w/1" sq. coiled iron springs. –**FRANKLIN**, 934-3439.

Berkshire, Berkshire/Tamworth X, Berkshire/Yorkshire X Boar piglet. –**GILMANTON IW**, 520-1488.

Upright glass front display freezer. –**HENNIKER**, 428-3378.

Troy-Bilt rototiller, gd. cond. –**HILLSBORO**, 478-5723/3227.

JD 530 wfe, gd. cond. –**MUNSONVILLE**, 847-3476, lv. msg.

Sharpened cedar fence posts, 30-40. –**NEW LONDON**, 526-4252.

Drum carder, hand carders, other spinning-related items. –**TEMPLE**, 924-6173.

Conveyor, 16-18', reasonable. –**THORNTON**, 726-0084.

Several bunches of French tarragon. –**WARNER**, 456-3653.

CATTLE

Hereford steers: 1-1/2 yrs, \$900/up; cows w/calves, b. 08/07, \$1,400/pr. –**ALTON**, 875-7401.

Milking Devon bull, 30 mos., proven, \$1,800. –**CORNISH**, 675-2200.

Hereford/Longhorn X mother/daughter, 2-1/2 & 1-1/2 yrs., \$500/ea., \$900/both. –**CORNISH**, 542-1201.

Beef for sale, \$2.25/lb. hanging weight. –**DEERING**, 529-3339/930-0251.

Hereford/Galloway X w/fm calves at side, b. 8/07, \$1,200/pr. –**HILLSBORO**, 547-7061.

Reg. Simmental cattle: bred cow, 2 yrs. w/4 mo. bull calf, \$2,000; 20 mo. bull, halter broke, proven, \$2,000; 7 yr. bred cow avail. mid-Dec., \$1,750. –**JEFFERSON**, 586-7034, eves, neest@localnet.com

Hereford cow used for breeding, b. 4/03, \$800; Hereford/Belted Galloway X cow, b. 4/05, \$500. –**LANCASTER**, 788-3272.

Reg. Jersey cow, due Oct., \$1,050. –**MILTON**, 652-4324.

Shorthorn cow & 6 mo. calf, \$700; Shorthorn/Pinzgauer X steer, 2 yrs., \$750; Shorthorn/Pinzgauer X heifer calf, 6 mos., \$275. –**OSSIPEE**, 539-4928.

Reg. Hereford heifers: bull calves & steers, \$1-\$1.35/lb on the hoof. –**ROCHESTER**, 335-5988.

P.b. Angus heifers, b. 3 & 4/07, \$650-\$775/ea. –**SOUTH NEWBURY**, 938-5911.

Polled Hereford bull, 3 yrs., 1,300 lbs., proven, \$950. –**PLAISTOW**, 382-5826.

American Buffalo calves/yrings., \$700-\$1,100. –**WARNER**, 456-2833.

WORK HORSES

Small Belgian geld., 14.3h, trail rides, \$1,800. –**GREENVILLE**, 878-3633.

Belgian/QH X, 12 yrs., Parellia trained, \$2,000. –**HOLDERNESS**, 536-5053.

Halfinger mare, 3 yrs., green broke to drive/ride, \$3,000. –**NORTHWOOD**, 944-3375/942-7472.

Belgian gelds., 5 & 8 yrs., 3,500 lbs., newly shod, all shots, \$4,000/pr. or \$5,000 w/heavy team harness, collars, bridles, eveners. –**PITTSFIELD**, 435-8885/496-7836.

DONKEYS & MULES

Mini donkeys: '07 foals, bred jennys, jennys w/foals, proven small jack, \$1,000/up. –**BARRINGTON**, 664-2828.

SWINE

Freezer pigs, \$300; piglets, \$65. –**DEERING**, 529-3339/930-0251.

Piglets from validated herd, \$70. –**NEW IPSWICH**, 878-2836.
Piglets, cut, worming avail., \$55. –**NORTHFIELD**, 934-4255.

SHEEP

Romney X ewe & ram lambs, b. 3/07, \$90/ea.; older possibly bred ewe, \$65. –**CANDIA**, 483-2672.
Tunis/Hampshire X breeding ewes, \$100/ea. –**CONCORD**, 226-4255.
Reg. Shropshire ram, proven, \$250. –**HENNIKER**, 428-7691.
Dorset ram, 3 yrs., proven, \$175/bo. –**PELHAM**, 635-8553.

GOATS

Pygmy goats, wethers, 2 yrs., \$100/ea. –**LEE**, 659-6962.
Nigerian Dwarfs, proven buck, 3 yrs., \$75/ea.; Pygmy does likely bred, \$100/ea. –**SALISBURY**, 648-2510.
Reg. Nigerian Dwarf doe, 4 yrs., utd, \$100. –**TEMPLE**, 924-7523.

RABBITS

Angora buck, pedigree, \$20; Netherland Dwarfs, \$15/ea. –**SALISBURY**, 648-2510.

POULTRY

Homing pigeons, Rollins/others, \$5-\$10/ea. –**FREMONT**, 895-9327.
NH Red hens, 2 yrs., \$1/ea., for meat only. –**GILMANTON**, 267-1905.
Young White Leghorn cocks, \$3.50, 2/\$6, for meat only. –**NEW BOSTON**, 487-2480.
Guinea Keats, \$5. –**NEW IPSWICH**, 878-2836.
Call ducks, \$3-\$10/ea.; for meat only. –**PLAISTOW**, 382-5826.
Young roosters, \$1/ea., for meat only. –**WEARE**, 529-2364.

HAY & BEDDING

1st crop hay, \$4.75 in field, del. avail. w/elevator. –**BARRINGTON**, 664-7919.
1st cut horse hay, \$4.50/bale; 2nd cut, \$5.25/bale; free del. avail. –**EPSOM**, 736-4424.
Rnd. 4x5 bales, mixed grass/legume, never wet, \$160/t.; stock hay, 600 lb. bale, \$30; 2nd crop, \$180/t., del. avail. –**FRANKLIN**, 934-3066.
Lg. rnd. bales from fert. fields, \$35/ea. in barn; sq. bales, \$4.50/bale. –**HENNIKER**, 428-7691.
2nd crop hay, \$4/bale; feed hay, \$3/bale; mulch hay, \$2/bale, del. avail. –**MADBURY**, 765-4619.
1st, 2nd, 3rd crop hay from fert. fields, 1st, \$4.50/bale; 2nd, \$6.50/bale; 3rd, \$7.50/bale. –**NORTHWOOD**, 435-8214.
'07 2nd cut from fert. fields, \$4/bale; 4x4 wrapped baleage, \$35/ea.; 4x4 rnd. dry, \$45/ea. –**PITTSFIELD**, 435-9385.
2nd crop hay from limed/fert. fields, \$3.50/bale on wagon. –**SEABROOK**, 235-5065, lv. msg.
1st cut horse hay, \$4/bale in barn; straw-rye, \$5/bale in barn; mulch hay, \$2/bale in barn. –**STRATHAM**, 387-3685.
Pine sawdust, \$7.50/yd. loaded, del. avail. –**SWANZEY**, 209-4197.

CORDWOOD & LUMBER

Seasoned oak, ash, maple, cut, split, 18"-20", \$200/cord, you pu. –**ASHLAND**, 254-3273.
Green firewood, cut, split, local del., \$160/cord. –**CANTERBURY**, 286-4336.
Seasoned mixed hardwood, cut, split, 16", \$230/cord. –**CHESTER**, 887-2357.
Dry pine, 2x6 to 18', \$.50/bf; S. pine, t&g, 7" & 9" to 16', weathered to silver/gray, \$1/bo. –**CONCORD**, 223-9959.
Seasoned hardwood, \$110/cord, you pu. –**HOPKINTON**, 746-4458.
Firewood, cut, split, del., \$200/cord. –**LANDAFF**, 838-5258.
Dry hardwood chunks, \$50/pu load, you load, del. avail.; hardwood burls, \$35/up; hardwood, cut, split, green, \$195; semi-dry, \$250; dry, \$290, w/local del. –**LEE**, 659-9300.
Pine & hemlock lumber, air dried, wide pine boards to 20" w x 20' l, \$.50/bf/up. –**NORTHWOOD**, 848-7299.
Two band sawn pine planks, 10' l, 13-1/2 w x 2" thick, dry, straight, 2/\$45. –**SANDWICH**, 284-7710.

MAPLE

Small Bros. 4x12 w/8' flue pan, s.s. lead free solder, 2 2'x4' cross flow front pans, s.s. lead free solder, X-fire arch w/Carlin 601 oil burner & steam hood, like new, \$4,500/bo. –**BOW**, 224-9393.

MEATS

Locally raised natural Hereford beef, vacuum packed, flash frozen, hamburger logs & patties, \$4/lb logs, \$4.50 4/patties, USDA #9825. –**ROCHESTER**, 335-3988.
Buffalo & venison hindquarters custom cut, \$4.95/lb, USDA #9542. –**WARNER**, 456-2833.

PLANTS, TREES & SHRUBS

Blue Spruce, 20-24", B&B, \$10/ea., 10 tree min.; other evergreens avail. –**DUNBARTON**, 774-5998.
Organic stiffneck rocambole seed garlic: German & Phillips, \$12/lb. –**GILSUM**, 352-0552.

FARM EQUIPMENT

'57 Farmall Cub Lo-Boy w/5' sickle bar mower, gd. tires & paint, gd. cond., \$2,850; cordwood saw complete w/leather belt &

pulley, \$200; utility trailer w/1-7/8 hitch, solid frame, decent tires, \$195/bo; front wheel weights for Farmall A-B-C, \$75/firm. – **ALTON**, 875-0363.

Older Gravely with attachs., mower, seat, misc., \$500/bo. –**AUBURN**, 483-8626.

Two Int. 46 balers, 1 for parts, \$400; Int. 7' trailer type mower on rubber tires, \$175; flat belt, 3 pth cordwood saw, no belt, \$100. –**BEDFORD**, 622-5781.

Long 460 tractor loader, 4wd, diesel, 3 pth, pto, 2 hyd. lines for backhoe attach., diff. lock, \$9,000. –**BRADFORD**, 938-5864, 8 p.m.

Befco 48" finish mower, 3 pth, new belts & pullys, \$300/bo. –**BRENTWOOD**, 642-3201 days.

'85 Cat 225b excavator, manual thumb, new batteries, new final drive, gd. cond., \$16,000; '85 Ford L9000 dump, diesel, runs strong, plow frame, rusty, \$3,000. –**BRISTOL**, 744-0186

Kubota Z482E, 2 cyl. diesel, 10 hp, eng. turns, never started, \$200. –**CANAAN**, 523-7713.

JD loaded ag tires & rims w/350 hrs., 42x12.4-24 rear & 25x7-14 front, 4/\$850/bo. –**CANTERBURY**, 783-9893.

JD cult. single row for M40, complete w/manual, \$175. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-4702.

Gallion road grader, 12' blade, new tires, no brakes, runs gd., \$5,000/bo; JD 544 C loader, 2 yd. bucket, gd. cond., \$16,500/bo. –**DEERING**, 529-3339/930-0251.

Ford 4630 diesel tractor, 2wd, 800 hrs., 50 hp, excel. cond., \$13,000/bo; 8' locking headgates, \$125/bo; pipe headgates, \$40/up. –**DOVER**, 303-8259.

AC Buda rough terrain forklift, 6,000 lb., 10' lift, excel. dual 7.50x15 12 ply tires, \$2,750. –**DUNBARTON**, 774-1810.

Fertilizer spreader, 4 t., tandem axle, s.s., \$3,000/bo; JD 338 hay baler, \$6,500/bo; Fargo dump wagon, gd. cond., \$5,500/bo. –**EPSOM**, 848-1788.

'03 Cat 246 skid steer, 300 hrs., new cond., \$21,500; Dunlop tires for Kawasaki Mule, 22x11-10, 50% tread, \$25/ea. – **FRANCETOWN**, 547-6464.

'50s Oliver OC4 dozer, rebuilt drive train, great tacks, parts/repair eng., \$1,000; McConnell 3 pth backhoe, plugs into tractor hyd., \$1,850; Sovema 60" 3 pth rototiller, \$500; Cub Cadet 9 hp self prop. chipper/shredder/vac, \$450; '70s Troy-Bilt Horse rototiller, nds. drive bearings, newer Tecumseh 9 hp eng., \$350; MTD 5 hp rear, counter rotating tine rototiller, \$250. –**GILSUM**, 352-0552.

JD flail chopper, gd. cond., \$1,200. –**HENNIKER**, 428-7691.

'51 JD A, 6 spd., new rear tires, v.g. tin, newly painted, new rear tires, excel. cond., \$3,295/bo. –**KEENE**, 352-3142.

'05 JD 3320, 32 hp, pto, 3 pth, 1 rear remote, 300 xc bucket w/pallet forks, ballast box w/attachs., v.g. cond., \$24,000/bo. – **MADBURY**, 765-4619.

IH 584 2wd tractor, heated Sims cab, loader, snowplow, counterweight, 3,200 hrs., 52 pto hp, \$5,700/bo. –**NEW BOSTON**, 487-3537/398-0158.

Gehl 1580 forage blower, works, \$500; 2 Gehl 99s, 1 for parts, \$300; \$700/all. –**NORTH HAVERHILL**, 787-2396.

9N tractor, gd. cond., \$3,000. –**OSSIPEE**, 539-4928.

JD grass & leave catcher w/gas motor, hyd. dump, 3 pth, \$2,500; Herd sure-feed broadcaster fert. & seeder, \$225. – **PELHAM**, 883-6481.

Rototiller, 48", 3 pth, \$1,200/bo; 25 t. hyd. log splitter, \$800/bo. –**PITTSFIELD**, 396-4384.

Int. 1300 balance head 7' bar mower, 3 pth, pto, v.g. cond., \$700. –**ROCHESTER**, 332-6095.

Metal weight box w/holding attach. to tractor, 25"x22"x30", \$125. –**ROXBURY**, 357-8636.

Farmall Cub land plows, \$100/bo; Farmall Cub pto right angle drive, \$50/bo; Deutz 2 cyl. Diesel power unit w/Rockford clutch, 28 hp, low hrs., \$1,800/bo. –**SALISBURY**, 648-2676.

Int. 3616 industrial tractor, HD bucket loader w/dp, shuttle shift, \$3,800. –**WARNER**, 456-2833.

'97 MF 1215, diesel, manual, 2/4 wd, bucket, chains, 54 hrs., excel. cond., \$8,900/bo. –**WEARE**, 529-1783.

MISCELLANEOUS

Woodmizer Super HD sawmill, 51 hp Cat, setworks, debarker, 28 hp Koler edger, 40 hrs., \$32,000/bo; Delta 10" table saw, new belt, \$175/bo. –**ALTON**, 569-3252.

Wood snow fence, 20 rolls, \$100. –**AUBURN**, 645-6899.

Ground container, 40' w/dual rear barn drs., \$1,895/bo; del. avail –**AUBURN**, 483-0100/370-0970.

Chain fall, 1/2 t., \$50; 600-9" tire, \$20; LT 235/85 R16 radial tubeless tires, \$35/pr.; R235 75 1R15 tubeless tires, \$15/ea.; 750 24 implant type tubeless tire on wheels, \$20/ea.; 750-16 1 ton wheel, \$20/ea.; 7-17.5 on wheel, \$15. –**BEDFORD**, 622-5781.

Yamaha 3,000 watt generator, idle control, new in '06, \$1,000. –**CANAAN**, 523-7713.

Toledo Chopper com. meat grinder, \$150. –**CENTER BARNSTEAD**, 269-3641.

Fricke petite drum carder w/accessories, yardage counter, Ashford spinning wheel, all in excel. cond., \$500/all. –**CENTER OSSIPEE**, 539-2861.

Michigan 125 A loader, 6 cyl., 4wd, with attachs., \$2,500; 48" circle board saw, \$300; 2-man crosscut saws, \$30/ea.; banding tool & crimper, \$125; 3 ph. elec. motors, 10 hp, \$100, 7.5 hp, \$75; Wisc. 2 cycle baler motors, parts, 18-20 hp, \$100/ea.; black plastic barrels, \$10/ea. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-7754.

Full size gas brooder stove, \$25/bo; piston pump, \$65/bo; 28' barn dr. track, dr. carriages, never used, \$150/bo. –**CONCORD**, 223-9959.

Moving trailer, 40'x12'6"x96", roll up rear dr., 2 side drs., tandem axle, \$1,495. –**DUNBARTON**, 774-2205.

Electro net fencing, 6 rolls used, 1 new, \$350/all. –**EAST KINGSTON**, 778-0570.

Int. 2 btm. antique trailer plow w/2 iron adj. wheels, v.g. cond., \$250. –**KINGSTON**, 642-3072.

Brock 9 t. grain bin w/auger & motor, like new, \$1,800; DeLaval 3 horse vacuum pump, complete, \$500. –**LANDAFF**, 838-6131.

TG ind. gas generator, \$3,250; TTP 3x3 com. trash pump, \$1,720; TPW com. pressure washer, \$978; TAC-2T com. dual tank compressor, \$1,350; all new in plastic, or bo/trade for milking cows & dairy equip. –**LEE**, 868-5939.

CMC firewood conveyor, h.d. steel, 26', portable, 5 hp Honda, \$3,900; Loflin log firewood, brush grapple for skid steer, quick attach., new cond., \$2,900. –**LEE**, 659-9300.

Craftsman 8 drawer pro tool rool-around w/side trays, never used, \$250/ea.; Craftsman 18 hp tractor, hydro w/dbl. bagger, nice cond., \$995; Craftsman upright chipper/shredder, 7.5 hp, never used, \$495. –**LONDONDERRY**, 434-8918.

Wood chipper, 6", pto, gd. cond., \$1,500. –**MOULTONBOROUGH**, 476-8479.

Olsen LP gas furnace, for shop/greenhouse, excel. cond., \$125/bo. –**RAYMOND**, 895-3416.

Old grindstone, motorized, 24" dia., 2-1/4" thick, \$50/bo. –**SANDWICH**, 284-7710.

Fruit baskets w/wire handles, bu. size, 50/\$175; wall mount metal hay rack, \$20. –**TILTON**, 286-8351.

HD dr. & frame for walk-in refrig/freezer, 36" dr., safety latch sys., diamond plate kick panel, never used, \$200/bo. –**WARNER**, 456-2833.

RENT

One bdrm. house in country setting, barn, pasture, ring, trails, \$850/mo. –**DUNBARTON**, 774-6541.

PLEASURE HORSES

Appy, 4 yrs., road safe, \$2,000; Arab/QH X, 14 yrs., road safe, \$1,500. –**NORTH HAVERHILL**, 787-9044.

Reg. Morgan mare, Equinox Benn Adam broodmare, \$2,500. –**WALPOLE**, 756-3432/762-3343

Paint mares, 3 & 4 yrs., \$1,000/bo. –**WEARE**, 529-2299.

PLEASURE HORSE EQUIPMENT

Draft size Meadowbrook carriage, 54" wheels, like new, \$1,500; Cob size breastplate harness, new, \$125. –**ALTON**, 569-3252.

Mini horse/donkey cart, v.g. cond., \$225. –**BARRINGTON**, 664-2828.

One horse buggy, working cond., \$1,200/bo. –**BROOKFIELD**, 522-9919.

Leather harness for 1,700-1,800 lb. horse, \$500; team leather harness w/22" & 21" collars, new bridles, for 1,500 lb. horse, \$650. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-7754.

'01 Dakota II CM 2 horse slant load stock trailer w/dressing rm., swinging wall divider, gd. cond., \$3,800/firm. –**GILMANTON**, 267-1905.

Antique 4 wheel horse drawn carriage w/shaves, org. cond., display/restore, del. possible, \$300. –**GILSUM**, 357-6158.

'92 S&S dera-line 18x7 stock trailer, 8 lug, great cond., \$3,500. –**GREENLAND**, 817-9957.

Buckboard wagon, pole/shafts, brakes, holds 10-12 people, \$1,200. –**GREENVILLE**, 878-3633.

Homemade people carrier, seats 12, hyd. brakes, excel. cond., \$1,000. –**OSSIPEE**, 539-4928.

TRUCKS & TRUCK PARTS

'07 F350 XLT, diesel, 6 spd., SRW, 11k GVW, alum. platform dump, tool box, pintel plate, 9' X-blade, summer/studded snows, 24k miles, \$32,500. –**ALTON**, 569-3252.

'89 F350 dump w/Blizzard plow, 4wd, low miles, \$4,000/bo. –**ASHLAND**, 968-9393.

Alum. truck rims, 16x18, \$25/pr.; 2 new 1020 recaps, 3 mounted tires 1020, 4 16" truck tires, mounted, \$75/all. –**AUBURN**, 645-6899.

'97 F350 Turbo diesel dully XLT w/9' Minute Mount plow, rebuilt trans., new tires & brakes, \$8,000/bo. –**BARRINGTON**, 664-5639.

'65 Chevy C10 Stepside, \$1,200/bo; '50s(?) Dodge 6 wheel dump, flat head, 6 cyl., runs excel., \$1,500/bo. –**BELMONT**, 455-5184.

Ford 900 fiberglass hd., \$200; 50 gal. rnd. tank w/hangers, \$75; 50 gal. step tank for pass. side of truck, \$75. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-7754.

Metal headboard for 1 t. s take body, free; 3 pth ballast block, 1,000 lb., free. –**CHARLESTOWN**, 826-4702.

'71 Chevy C50 flatbed dump, \$2,250. –**FRANKLIN**, 934-2383.

Gripper snow tires, 8.25/20 on 10 hole Bud wheels, 50% tread, \$100/ea.; 50 gal. side mt. step fuel tanks w/brackets, from Int. 4700 & C60 Chevy, \$100/ea.; like new radiator for '84 Chevy C60 w/350 motor, \$125; '74 Chevy C65 cab & chassis, 12k miles, no rust, 427, V8, 5 spd., 2 sd. rear end, tilt hd., air brakes, nds. drive shaft, \$3,000. –**HENNIKER**, 568-8004.

'84 Ford F150, reg. cab, long bed, 351 V8, 4 spd., nds. TLC, \$500/bo. –**HOPKINTON**, 226-4685.

'94 Ford F350, 7.3 diesel, 4wd, 5 spd., Galion 3 yd. dump, 9' Fisher plow, new trans., clutch, pto, 148k, \$9,500. –**LEE**, 659-9300.

'80s Chevy 1 t. rear end w/main springs & helpers, complete, \$150. –**PELHAM**, 883-6481.

'86 GMC 1 t. dump truck, 350, 4 spd., 4wd, 90k miles, 9' snow plow, \$2,500/bo; '90 Chevy 1/2 t. stepside pu, V6, 4 spd., 2wd, 120k miles, \$600/bo. –**SALISBURY**, 648-2676.

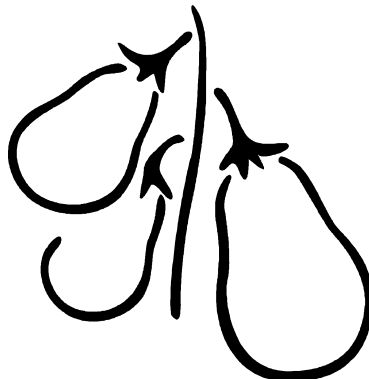
Hino refrig. diesel truck, new eng., 12' refrig. box w/max airflow flr., excel. del. truck, \$22,900/bo. –**WARNER**, 456-2833.

Fisher 7' plow frame, complete, no plow, \$300/bo; 7.5' sno foil, \$50; class 3 Ford hitch, \$50; pu body rack, \$50. –**WEARE**, 461-7486.

'02 Chevy K3500, dual wheel, 2wd, auto, ac, diesel, 64k miles, cab & chassis only, excel. cond., \$9,850. –**WEARE**, 491-3922.

NH Retail Produce

	CT Valley No. Country	Merri-Valley Seacoast		CT Valley No. Country	Merri-Valley Seacoast
VEGETABLES					
Arugala, bu.	2.00		Swiss Chard		
Beans, lb.		1.49/4 oz.	lb.	2.89-2.99	6.50
green,	1.99-3.99	2.50	Tomatoes, lb.	2.99-3.95	3.00-3.50
Yellow	2.29-3.99	2.50	cherry, pt.	2.49-3.79	
Beets, lb.	.79	2.50	plum, pt.	3.49	3.00
bunch	1.69	2.19	HERBS		
greens	2.79	2.50	Basil, bunch	2.00	10.00 lb
Broccoli, lb.	1.69	1.99-2.50	Chives, bunch	2.00	9.00 lb
Cabbage, lb.	.69-.79	1.25	Cilantro, bunch	2.00 10.00 lb	
red	.79		Dill, bunch	2.00	9.00 lb
Carrots, bunch	1.99	2.35	Oregano, bunch		9.00 lb
Corn			Parsley, bunch		10.00 lb
doz.	6.50		Thyme, bunch		10.00 lb
ea.	.60	.50	Garlic, bulb	3.00	8.00 lb
Cucumbers, ea.	.33-.50	.50-.75	FRUITS		
lb.	1.79	1.80	Blueberries		
Pickling, lb.	1.29	2.00	lb.		4.25
Eggplant, lb.	1.79-1.99	2.35	qt.	4.00	8.00
Kale, lb.		6.50	PYO, lb.	1.80-1.99	
Lettuce, hd.	1.89	2.00	Nectarines, lb.	2.09	2.50
Mesclun, bag	4.95	3.19	Peaches, lb.	1.79	2.50
Onions, lb.	1.09	2.00	Raspberries		
ea.	.75		pt.	5.95	8.00
Peppers, lb.			1/2 pt.		4.00
green	1.89-1.99	2.50	PYO, lb.		3.95
red	3.59		Pears, lb.		1.60
hot	2.29		FLOWERS		
Potatoes, lb.			Sunflowers, stem	2.00	1.25
New Red	.99-1.99	1.50-2.00	Cut flowers, lb.		9.50
New White	1.99	1.50-2.00	bunch	7.00-8.00	
Spinach, lb.	2.99-3.99	4.25			
Squash, lb.					
Patty Pan	1.19-1.69				
Summer	1.19-1.69	1.60			
Zucchini	1.19-1.69	1.60			



WHOLESALE EGGS

Boston Market averages for 9/12-9/18

Brown Shelled Eggs:

Jumbo	1.95
Extra Large	1.72
Large	1.67
Medium	1.21
Small	.90

White Shelled Eggs:

Jumbo	1.56
Extra Large	1.52
Large	1.48
Medium	1.15
Small	.88

Retail Grain Prices

(PER 50 LBS.)

CASH & CARRY

	RANGE	AVG.
Dairy Pellets 16%	6.99-7.22	7.10
Dairy Pellets 20%	7.43-7.62	7.52
Coarse Dairy		
Ration 16%	8.35-8.38	8.37
Ration 20%	7.03-8.51	7.77
Ration 14%	8.12-8.16	8.14
Cornmeal	7.72-7.99	7.85
Calf Starter	9.53-10.03	9.78
Poultry		
Chick Starter Mash	10.33-11.99	11.16
Grower Mash	8.82-10.99	9.55
Layer Mash	8.25-10.49	9.24
Scratch Feed	8.84-9.99	9.60
Horse Feed	8.38-11.99	10.18
Hog Grower Mash	7.71-10.49	8.69
Whole Corn	7.69-9.49	8.41

Bulk Grain Prices

(PER TON)

Prices listed for bulk grain are FOB mill in six-ton lots. Hauling charges, volume discounts and other considerations will affect the net price charged for products when delivered to the farm.

	RANGE	AVG.
Dairy Pellets 16%	198.00-231.00	214.50
Dairy Pellets 20%	218.00-240.00	229.00
Dairy Pellets 24%	258.00	258.00
High Energy Dairy Pellets 16%	245.60-249.00	247.30
High Energy Dairy Pellets 20%	247.60-258.00	252.80
Complete Chick Starter	306.00-342.00	324.00
Complete Grower Mash	279.00-284.00	281.50
Complete Layer Mash 16%	292.00-296.40	294.20
Complete Turkey Grower 20%	285.00-322.40	303.70
Whole Corn	248.00	248.00

NORTHAMPTON COOPERATIVE AUCTION

Whately, MA, September 18, 2007

On the hoof, per hundredweight.

	Low	High
Calves		
45-60 lbs.	10.00	16.00
61-75 lbs.	20.00	65.00
76-90 lbs.	45.00	65.00
91-105 lbs.	40.00	60.00
Farm Calves	72.50	430.00
Starter Calves	73.00	74.00
Feeders	24.00	115.00
Steers	53.00	88.00
Bulls	55.00	69.50
Beef		
Canners	10.00	40.00
Cutters	42.50	50.00
Utility	51.00	55.00
Sows	16.50	29.00
Hogs	42.00	50.50
Feeder Pigs	33.00	33.00
Lambs	100.00	120.00
Sheep	20.00	60.00
Goats	13.00	150.00
Rabbits	.50	8.00
Hay	2.80	4.50

FLAME LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Littleton, MA, September 18, 2007

On the hoof, per pound.

Beef		
Canners	.20	.38
Cutters	.35	.46
Utility	.48	.55
Bulls	.45	.62
Steers	.55	.72
Heifers	.50	.58
Calves		
Growers	1.00	1.50
Veal	.50	.78
Heifer	3.50	7.20
Other	1.50	3.00
Hogs		
Sows	.25	.35
Boars	.10	.10
Roasters	.50	.50
Market	.35	.40
Sheep	.30	.45
Lambs	.75	1.05
Goats	.50	1.10
Kids	.25	.60

Total Head: Steers, 20; Cows, 126; Bulls, 32; Heifers, 15; Calves, 240; Sheep, 48; Goats, 55; Hogs, 19; Misc., 130.