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OHIO SUMMER CELEBRATION SALE REPORT

What could possibly be better than homemade ice cream and a barn full of outstanding registered Holsteins? Both were waiting for buyers and their friends and families at the Wayne County Fairgrounds in Wooster, Ohio, on Friday evening, August 11, 2017 and at 6:00 p.m. a large crowd was on hand to enjoy the Ice Cream Social, compliments of the Ohio Holstein Association, and to preview the consignments. The sale began promptly at 7:00 p.m. and when the gavel fell for the last time the sale averaged \$2337 on sixty five (65) live lots and \$2580 on three (3) embryo lots.

Topping the sale at \$5000 was Lot 3, Pine-Tree 9882 SPOC 7474-ET, a spring calf consigned by Pine-Tree Dairy, Matthew Steiner and Family, Marshallville, Ohio, she was purchased by Gasser Farms LLC, Creston, Ohio. With a GTPI +2740 she was sired by Rosylane LLC Spock-ET and from a Very Good 86 Supersire dam with at 2-10 31,870 pounds of milk 4.1% test 1310 pounds of butterfat 3.2% test 1023 pounds of protein. She was from a long list of Very Good dams and the Rudy Missy cow family.

Selling for \$4300 was Lot 4, Pine-Tree 6678 Hang 7388, a winter calf also consigned by Pine-Tree Dairy and purchased by Austin Yoder, Montezuma, Georgia. With a GTPI +2723 she was sired by Cookie Cutter Hang Time, her dam was on her way to an outstanding record at 1-11 and had been re-classified at Very Good 86, which made ten generations of Very Good and Excellent dams behind the consignment.

Lot 28, Oakfield Akit Shaggy-Red, a spring calf sold for \$4100 to Ashlee Godbee, Millen, Georgia. She was consigned by Jonathan and Alicia Lamb, Oakfield Farms, Oakfield, New York. Sired by Mr Apples Akito-Red, her dam was an Excellent 94 2E daughter of Redman-Red.

The top selling package of 5 # 1 IVF embryos was consigned by Bruce Hinz and Kevin Spreng, Shreve, Ohio and sold for \$4500 to Brian Gunkelman, Medina, Ohio. Sired by Dymentholm Mr Apples Avalanche, the dam was Starmark AD Hotstuff-Red-ET EX 94 2E with outstanding records and a long list of show winnings. They were backed by 10 generations of Very Good and Excellent dams including C Glenridge Citation Roxy EX 97 4E GMD "Queen of the Breed".

Milking cows averaged \$2429, bred heifers \$2163, yearlings \$1638 and calves \$2398. Volume buyer was Ross Kelsey, Blanchard, Michigan. Bidding was brisk on Cowbuyer handled by Chad Griffith and consignments sold to New York, Florida, Michigan, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Georgia, as well as Ohio.

Auctioneer for the sale was Randall Kiko Salem, Ohio with Ted Renner, Dalton, Ohio reading the pedigrees. Ringmen were Bill Indoe, Rudy Kiko, Paul Haskins and Ken Janes. The cattle preparation was managed by Steve Deam and Ben Simpson. Numerous students from the dairy classes of the Agriculture Technical Institute at Wooster, Ohio were on hand each day to help prepare the consignments. Leaders were Hannah Dye, Allie Bourne, Courtney Lund, John Paulin and Tim Gunkelman. The sale was managed by the Ohio Holstein Association with Dave Gunkelman, Director Marketing and Membership Services in charge. Clerks for the sale were Diana Miley and Kaye Janes. Pete Spike entered information from the sale on the computer.