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AGRICULTURE DEPARTMENT AUCTIONING 13 HEALTHY GOATS SEIZED IN CORNWALL

Thirteen goats seized from a Cornwall farm in an animal-cruelty case are being offered to the public through a sealed-bid auction by the Department of Agriculture.

The goats, three adults and ten others between 7 and 9 months old, have tested negative for disease and are suitable to be returned to agricultural production, Agriculture Commissioner Steven K. Reviczky said.

"We are pleased to offer these goats to the agricultural community," Reviczky said. "It is our hope that these healthy animals will be returned to a productive environment."

Photographs of the animals and a detailed questionnaire for those interested in bidding on a goat or goats are available on the homepage of the department's website: CTGrown.gov.

Completed bid questionnaires must be received by the agriculture department by close of business on Monday, August 10. Successful bidders will be notified individually to arrange for transfer of the animals. The herd was seized in January

from the Butterfield Farm Co. cheese-making operation, where most were found malnourished and suffering from various other conditions impacting their health.

Multiple charges of animal cruelty were filed against the goats' former owners, Tara Bryson and Michael Hearl, and their cases are pending in Bantam Superior Court.

The animals were housed at the department's Second Chance large-animal rehabilitation facility in Niantic, where most were determined to be infected with one or more of the following diseases:

- Johne's, or paratuberculosis – an intestinal bacterial disease that results in progressive weight loss and eventual death.
- Caseous Lymphadenitis (CL) – a bacterial disease that most commonly causes superficial draining abscesses but can also affect internal organs. It is highly-contagious to other animals and infectious material from the draining

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PA LIVESTOCK SUMMARY

Avg. Dressing

	LOW	HIGH
SLAUGHTER COWS:		
breakers 75-80% lean	98.00	107.00
boners 80-85% lean	97.00	109.00
lean 88-90% lean	93.00	102.00
CALVES graded bull		
No 1 110-128 lbs	440.00	475.00
No 1 90-108 lbs	490.00	585.00
SLAUGHTER STEERS		
HiCh/Prm 3-4	151.50	153.00
Ch2-3	148.50	151.75
Sel1-3	144.50	148.50
SLAUGHTER HOLSTEINS		
HiCh/Prm 3-4	139.00	140.00
Ch2-3	134.00	138.50
Sel1-2	127.00	132.00
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS		
HiCh/Prm3-4	147.50	151.50
Ch2-3	143.00	145.00
Sel1-2	138.00	141.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA

SLAUGHTER LAMBS: Woolled & Shorn Choice and Prime 2-3		
80-90 lbs	188.00	188.00
90-110 lbs	202.00	205.00
150-200 lbs	198.00	198.00
SLAUGHTER EWES: Good 2-3		
90-120 lbs	92.00	92.00
120-170 lbs	98.00	108.00
220-250 lbs	60.00	80.00
BUCKS		
200-300 lbs	82.00	90.00
SLAUGHTER GOATS: Sel. 1, by head, est.		
40-60 lbs	160.00	180.00
60-80 lbs	225.00	225.00
Nannies/Does:		
80-130 lbs	180.00	195.00
130-180 lbs	175.00	180.00
Bucks/Billies:		
100-150 lbs	240.00	275.00
150-250 lbs	310.00	365.00

NEW HOLLAND, PA. HOG AUCTION

52-56	200-300 lbs	55.00	58.00
	300-350 lbs	50.00	51.00
48-52	250-300 lbs	50.00	50.00
	300-350 lbs	40.00	44.00
Sows, US 1-3			
	400-550 lbs	25.00	28.00
Boars			
	500-750 lbs	7.00	8.00

WHOLESALE FRUITS & VEGETABLES

Boston Terminal and Wholesale Grower Prices

NEW ENGLAND GROWN

	LOW	HIGH
ALFALFA SPROUTS, 5 LB	14.00	14.00
BEANS, GREEN, HND PKD, BU	30.00	35.00
BEAN SPROUTS, 12-12 OZ	12.00	15.00
BEETS, GOLDEN, 25 LB LOOSE	22.00	22.00
BLUEBERRIES, 12-1 PT/LIDS	24.00	28.00
BLUEBERRIES, 12-PT, PULP	30.00	34.00
CABBAGE, GREEN, 50LBS	14.00	14.00
CABBAGE, RED, 50 LBS	16.00	16.00
CABBAGE, SAVOY, 50 LBS	16.00	16.00
CIDER, APPLE, 4 -1 GAL	21.00	21.00
CORN, 5 DOZ	14.00	18.00
CUCUMBERS 1-1/9	25.00	30.00
CUKES, PICKLING, 1/2 BU	16.00	16.00
CUKES, PICKLING, 1-1/9 BU	20.00	22.00
EGGPLANT, 1-1/9 BU	20.00	22.00
KALE, 12 CT	15.00	15.00
LETTUCE, BOSTON, 12 CT	12.00	12.00
LETTUCE, HYDROPONIC, 12 CT	15.00	15.00
LETTUCE, ROMAINE, 12 CT	13.00	14.00
PEPPERS, BELL, GRN, 1-1/9 BU	22.00	25.00
PEPPERS, CHERRY, 1/2 BU	16.00	16.00
PEPPERS, JALAPENO, 1/2 BU	16.00	16.00
SQUASH, BUTTERNUT, 20 LB	26.00	28.00
SQUASH, GREY, 1/2 BU	15.00	18.00
SQUASH, YEL/GRN, FNCY, 1/2 BU	16.00	18.00
SWISS CHARD, RNBW, 12 CT	15.00	15.00
SWISS CHARD, GREEN, 12 CT	15.00	15.00
TOMATOES, GRAPE, 12-1PT	18.00	20.00
TOMATOES, SLICERS, 20 LB	20.00	30.00

SHIPPED IN

APRICOTS, WA, 2LYR PK, 72	28.00	30.00
CHERRIES, RED TART, NY, 8 QT	24.00	24.00
GRAPE, WHT, SDLS, CA, 19LB, #1	24.00	28.00
LEEKs, NJ, 1-1/4 BU, 12 CT	21.00	23.00
MUSHRMS, OYSTER, PA, 3LB	13.00	13.25
PARSLEY, PLAIN, NJ, 30 CT	24.00	26.00
PEACHES, NJ 1/2 BU, 2-3/4" UP	23.00	24.00
PEPPERS, CUBANELLE, NJ, 1-1/9	30.00	32.00

USDA WHOLESALE - CUT FLOWERS

AGERATUM, NE, PER BUNCH	7.50	7.50
ALLIUM, DRUMSTIC, LONG, PA, 10	7.50	7.50
ALLIUM, DRUMSTIC, LNG, NE, EA	.75	.80
AMARANTHUS, HANGING, NE, 5	12.50	12.50
ASCLEPIAS, LONG, NJ, 10	8.50	8.50
DAHLIA, LGE HEAD, LONG, NJ, 5	12.00	12.00
ECHINACEA, XLONG, PA, BNCH	9.50	9.50
FOXGLOVE, LONG, NE, BNCH	12.00	12.00
FREESIA, LONG, NE, 10	8.75	8.75
GOMPHRENA, LONG, NE	8.50	8.50
LILIES, ASIATIC, LNG, ME, BNCH	20.00	20.00
LILIES, ORIENT, LNG, ME, 2-3BLM	20.00	20.00
LISIANTHUS, XLNG, NE, 10	17.50	17.50
PHLOX, LNG, ASRTD, NE, BNCH	8.50	8.50
SEDUM, NE, PER BNCH	8.50	10.00
SNAPDRAGONS, SHORT NE, 10	7.50	7.50
SUNFLOWER, LGE, PA, 5	6.50	7.50
VERONICA, NE, PER BNCH	8.00	8.00
YARROW, PA, PER BNCH	7.50	7.50

MIDDLESEX LIVESTOCK AUCTION

Middlefield, CT, July 27, 2015

	LOW	HIGH
Bob Calves:		
45-60 lbs.	65.00	70.00
61-75 lbs.	75.00	175.00
76-90 lbs.	340.00	345.00
91-105 lbs.	355.00	365.00
106 lbs. & up	370.00	375.00
Farm Calves	390.00	395.00
Starter Calves	55.00	60.00
Veal Calves	125.00	300.00
Open Heifers	150.00	190.00
Beef Heifers	105.00	109.00
Feeder Steers	146.00	147.50
Beef Steers	130.00	140.00
Stock Bulls	150.00	155.00
Beef Bulls	110.00	138.00
Replacement Cows	n/a	n/a
Replacement Heifers	n/a	n/a
Boars	1 @	.01
Sows	2 EA	38.00
Butcher Hogs	100.00	105.00
Feeder Pigs	n/a	n/a
Sheep	90.00	115.00
Lambs	135.00	225.00
Goats each	100.00	270.00
Kid Goats	130.00	160.00
Canners	up to	100.00
Cutters	101.00	103.00
Utility Grade Cows	104.00	109.00
Rabbits each	5.00	14.00
Chickens each	5.00	32.50
Ducks each	9.00	26.00

NORTHEAST EGGS/USDA

Per doz. Grade A and Grade A white in cartons to retailers (volume buyers)

XTRA LARGE	2.49	2.69
LARGE	2.43	2.57
MEDIUM	2.01	2.14

NEW ENGLAND SHELL EGGS

Per doz. Grade A brown in carton delivered store door. (Range)

XTRA LARGE	2.58	2.78
LARGE	2.56	2.71
MEDIUM	1.91	2.11

PA FEEDER PIG SUMMARY

US #1-2		
20-30 lb	140.00	150.00
30-40 lb	110.00	150.00
40-50 lb	100.00	150.00
US #2-3		
20-30 lb	130.00	170.00
40-60 lb	140.00	175.00

FOR SALE

1-R. Blumenthal & Donahue is now Connecticut's first independent NATIONWIDE Agri-Business Insurance Agency. Christmas tree growers, beekeepers, sheep breeders, organic farmers and all others, call us for all your insurance needs. 800-554-8049 or www.bludon.com

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3-R. Gallagher electric fencing for farms, horses, deer control, gardens, & beehives. Sonpal's Power Fence 860-491-2290.

4-R. Packaging for egg sales. New egg cartons, flats, egg cases, 30 doz and 15 doz. Polinsky Farm 860-376-2227.

5-R. Nationwide Agribusiness Insurance Program, endorsed by the CT Farm Bureau, save up to 23% on your farm insurance and get better protection. References available from satisfied farmers. Call Marci today at 203-444-6553.

8-R. CT non-GMO grain and corn. Hay and straw. Pleasant View Farms. Louis. 860-803-0675.

53-R. There's still time to buy a Classic...but not much. New federal EPA-NSPS rules will soon eliminate your choice to buy a new Classic. Now is the best time to buy a new Classic. 203-263-2123 www.mywoodfurnace.com

65-R. For Sale: Parts for Grimm hay tedders. Also, rough lumber. 860-684-3458.

70-R. 2 row water wheel transplanter with 3 different size planting shoes. \$1,800.00 or B.O. Call 860-786-7486.

71. Massey Ferguson 471, 4x4, cab tractor, am/fm stereo, AC and heat, with a 9 foot Fisher X-blade snowplow and rear tire chains, new in 2005, 1400 hours. \$30,000.00. Winco 25,000 kw generator, 540 pto drive, with 3-pt hitch lift frame, drive shaft, 13 feet of electric cord, plug and transfer switch. \$2,000.00. call 860-490-5029.

73-R. Two used DR Brush Mowers 10 HP 26" cut. \$500.00 each. James Fazzone. 203-250-6677.

74-R. IH 2 bottom fast hitch plow. \$200.00. 10 hole chicken nest box. \$100.00. Stainless 500 gallon transport tank. \$500.00. Vintage IH Bog harrow. \$200.00. 3 pt landscape rake. \$400.00. call 203-996-6356.

75-R. Hoop houses sizes from 28-35 wide X 96 long, overhead garage doors. 203-484-9708.

78-R. Case Backhoe Loader Model 580B. \$5,200.00. 860-684-3458.

WANTED

69-R. Transplant wheel harrow - 8' or 10'. Crop sprayer - 3 pt or pull type. Working condition. 860-537-8890.

MISCELLANEOUS

6-R. Farm/Land specializing in land, farms, and all types of Real Estate. Established Broker with a lifetime of agricultural experience and 40 years of finance. Representing both Buyers and Sellers. Call Clint Charter of Wallace-Tustin Realty (860) 644-5667.

CT FARM EMPLOYMENT CONNECTION

77-R. Wanted: Working Orchard Manager and passionate person for family owned orchard in Central Connecticut. We grow apples, pears, peaches and nectarines, for pick-your-own, wholesale and our store. Call for more details. 203-213-8833.

CT FARM-TO-CHEF WEEK REGISTRATION DEADLINE THIS FRIDAY

Register for Farm-to-Chef Week 2015 by Friday, July 31, for only \$25 per location. Late registrations will be accepted until August 24, 2015 at a fee of \$50 per venue. Farm-to-Chef Week will be held on September 13-19 at participating locations throughout Connecticut.

Visit www.ctfarmtochef.com for more information and registration forms.

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abscesses can remain in the environment for several months. Human infection is rare, but can occur through contact with infectious material.

- Caprine Arthritis Encephalitis (CAE) - a viral disease that most commonly causes arthritis in joints, leading to progressive lameness and weight loss, and can cause encephalitis in younger animals.

Forty-eight animals diagnosed with Johne's and/or CL, or both CL and CAE, were sold at livestock auction for \$5,750. Another 12 goats diagnosed with CAE were placed with the Farm Sanctuary rescue organization and Woodstock Farm Animal Sanctuary, which has quarantined them at their facilities in New York

The 23 kids born at the Niantic facility this spring are being offered to agricultural schools and organizations like FFA and 4-H for youth projects involving animal science and husbandry through the agriculture department's Kids for Kids program.

Anyone interested in obtaining one of the kids should contact Dr. Mary J. Lis, State Veterinarian, at 860-713-2505 or mary.lis@ct.gov for details.

Any of the kids not placed with an educational group will be tested for disease when age appropriate. Those that are healthy will be returned to agricultural production through sealed-bid auction at a later date.

Those with CAE will be placed with a rescue sanctuary, and those with CL will be sold at livestock auction. The dispersal plan is designed to balance the desire to save animals with the necessity to stop the potential spread of disease.

Proceeds from auctioning of the goats will be deposited in the agriculture department's Animal Abuse Recovery Account, which is used to offset the costs of rescuing and rehabilitating animals seized in neglect cases.

Bid questionnaires are available on the homepage of the department's website: www.CTGrown.gov, and may be mailed to the Connecticut Department of Agriculture, attention Steve Jensen, 165 Capitol Ave., Hartford, CT 06106, or emailed to steve.jensen@ct.gov.

The following is a sampling of information required to be submitted with bids.

**CT DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE GOAT AUCTION
BID QUESTIONNAIRE**

- Have you ever been investigated, charged or convicted of violating animal neglect or cruelty laws?
- Do local zoning regulations, ordinances, etc. permit housing of goats on the property listed above?
- Describe bidder's experience in owning/caring for goats:
- Planned use for the goat(s) on which you are bidding:
- Describe housing and equipment to care for the goat(s):
- Number of acres on which goat(s) will be housed:
- If you currently own livestock, provide Flock I.D. and/or Premise I.D. number:
- Provide CT Dept. of Revenue Services farm tax-exemption permit number if applicable:
- Describe other livestock and/or pets at above location:
- Describe any formal training in animal science or livestock management received by bidder:
- Provide name and contact information for veterinarian(s) experienced in livestock and/or small ruminant medicine who will provide veterinary services:
- If bidder intends to transfer ownership to someone else, including to someone under 18, list name and relationship to bidder:

#137: Saanen-cross/F/9 mos.



#138: Saanen-cross/M/9 mos.



#139: Saanen-cross/M/ 9 mos.



#167: Nubian-cross/F/Adult



#140: Saanen-cross/M/9 mos.



#142: Saanen/M/9 mos.



#149: LaMancha/F/ Adult



Page 1, above and left: Photographs of the 13 healthy goats being auctioned by the Department of Agriculture after being seized from the Butterfield Farm Cheese Co. in Cornwall last January. They are pictured at the department's Second Chance large-animal rescue and rehabilitation facility at the York Correctional Institution in Niantic.

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