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Team Lake Country Dairy Named 2017 Grand Master Cheesemaker *Blue Ribbon Cheese & Butter Auction Raises a Record \$56,760*

Team Lake Country Dairy, from Schuman Cheese in Turtle Lake, was named the 2017 Grand Master Cheesemaker during the Blue Ribbon Cheese & Butter Auction, held August 10 at Wisconsin State Fair Park. They earned the coveted title with Monteau, the first place entry in the Smear Ripened Cheese Class.

Each blue-ribbon entry from the Wisconsin State Fair Cheese & Butter Contest sold during the event, which raised a record-breaking \$56,760 for student scholarships and dairy promotions at the Wisconsin State Fair.

Leading off the auction was 20 pounds of Team Lake Country Dairy's award-winning Monteau, which sold for \$1,100 to Chr. Hansen of Milwaukee.

Other auction results include:

Mild Cheddar

Made by: Dan Stearns, Agropur, Weyauwega
Buyer: Masters Gallery Foods, Plymouth
Amount: 42 lbs.
Price per pound: \$60
Total sell price: \$2,520

Roth Petite Swiss

Made by: Marc Druart, Emmi Roth, Monroe
Buyer: Wells Fargo, Milwaukee
Amount: 20 lbs.
Price per pound: \$60
Total sell price: \$1,200

Odyssey Peppercorn Feta

Made by: Steve Buholzer, Klondike Cheese Co., Monroe
Buyer: Emmi Roth, Monroe
Amount: 10 lbs.
Price per pound: \$100
Total sell price: \$1,000

Joan of Arc Wild Berry Vanilla Chèvre

Made by: Team Lancaster, Saputo Specialty Cheese, Milwaukee
Buyer: Rock River Laboratory, Watertown
Amount: 10 lbs.
Price per pound: \$80
Total sell price: \$800

Big Ed's Smokehouse Gouda

Made by: Saxon Creamery Team, Saxon Cheese, Cleveland
Buyer: Saputo Specialty Cheese, Milwaukee
Amount: 12 lbs.
Price per pound: \$215
Total sell price: \$2,580

Sartori Reserve Chipotle BellaVitano

Made by: Mike Matucheski, Sartori Company, Antigo

Buyer: Berenz Packaging, Menomonee Falls

Amount: 20 lbs.

Price per pound: \$70

Total sell price: \$1,400

Pasteurized Process American

Made by: Team AMPI, Associated Milk Producers Inc., Portage

Buyer: Nelson-Jameson, Marshfield

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$110

Total sell price: \$1,100

Dunbarton

Made by: Chris Roelli, Roelli Cheese Company, Shullsburg

Buyer: John Yingling, Mequon

Amount: 11 lbs.

Price per pound: \$150

Total sell price: \$1,650

Dill Havarti

Made by: Ron Bechtolt, Klondike Cheese Co., Monroe

Buyer: Nelson-Jameson, Marshfield

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$120

Total sell price: \$1,200

String Cheese

Made by: Dan Schwind, Baker Cheese Factory, St. Cloud

Buyer: Masters Gallery Foods, Plymouth

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$230

Total sell price: \$2,300

Caraway Brick

Made by: John (Randy) Pitman, Mill Creek Cheese, Arena

Buyer: Cheese Market News, Madison

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$75

Total sell price: \$750

Black River Blue Cheese

Made by: Team Fond du Lac, Saputo Specialty Cheese, Milwaukee

Buyer: Alpma USA, Milwaukee

Amount: 12 lbs.

Price per pound: \$80

Total sell price: \$960

Odyssey Reduced Fat Feta

Made by: Steve Webster, Klondike Cheese Co., Monroe

Buyer: Chr. Hansen, Milwaukee

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$50

Total sell price: \$500

Brick

Made by: Matt Henze, Decatur Dairy, Brodhead

Buyer: Kelley Supply, Colby

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$120

Total sell price: \$1,200

Mascarpone

Made by: Crave Cheese Team, Crave Brothers Farmstead Cheese, Waterloo

Buyer: Wells Fargo, Milwaukee

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$140

Total sell price: \$1,400

Monterey Jack

Made by: Andy Follen, Lynn Dairy Granton

Buyer: DSM Food Specialties, Waukesha

Amount: 40 lbs.

Price per pound: \$30

Total sell price: \$1,200

Aged Goat Cheese

Made by: Katie Fuhrmann & Team LaClare, LaClare Farms, Malone

Buyer: Dairy Products Marketing, Fond du Lac

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$290

Total sell price: \$2,900

Low Moisture Mozzarella, Whole Milk

Made by: Roger Krohn, Agropur, Luxemburg

Buyer: Ebert Enterprises LLC, Algoma

Amount: 13 lbs.

Price per pound: \$100

Total sell price: \$1,300

Chihuahua Loaf

Made by: Jace Johnsrud, Chula Vista Cheese, Browntown

Buyer: Masters Gallery Foods, Plymouth

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$220

Total sell price: \$2,200

Marieke Belegen Gouda

Made by: Marieke Penterman, Marieke Gouda, Thorp

Buyer: Ivarson, Milwaukee

Amount: 20 lbs.

Price per pound: \$130

Total sell price: \$2,600

Aged Cheddar

Made by: Jacques Vey, Land O'Lakes, Kiel

Buyer: Masters Gallery Foods, Plymouth

Amount: 40 lbs.

Price per pound: \$165

Total sell price: \$6,600

Swiss & Almond Cold Pack

Made by: Team Pine River, Pine River Pre-Pack, Newton

Buyer: Saputo Specialty Cheese, Milwaukee

Amount: 11 lbs.

Price per pound: \$210

Total sell price: \$2,310

Feta

Made by: Nathan Forseth, Agropur, Weyauwega

Buyer: DSM Food Specialties, Waukesha

Amount: 18 lbs.

Price per pound: \$105

Total sell price: \$1,890

Roth Sriracha Gouda

Made by: Marc Druart, Emmi Roth, Monroe

Buyer: Wisconsin State Fair Park Board, West Allis

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$350

Total sell price: \$3,500

Sartori Limited Edition Pastorale Blend

Made by: Mike Matucheski, Sartori Company, Antigo

Buyer: West Allis Cheese & Sausage Shoppe, West Allis

Amount: 20 lbs.

Price per pound: \$260

Total sell price: \$5,200

Havarti

Made by: Decatur Dairy Cheesemakers, Decatur Dairy, Brodhead

Buyer: Nelson-Jameson, Marshfield

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$320

Total sell price: \$3,200

Salted Butter

Made by: Foremost Farms 3rd Shift, Foremost Farms USA, Reedsburg

Buyer: Ivarson, Milwaukee

Amount: 10 lbs.

Price per pound: \$220

Total sell price: \$2,200