Lost Elm Jerseys Hosts Reduction Sale

It was a full barn, 20-plus springers and the loss of hired help that prompted Jason Luttropp and his family to hold the Lost Elm Fall Celebration Sale on September 11, 2018. Offered was a cross-section of the herd—97 lots in all—that sold for an average of \$1,490.21 and a gross of \$144,550. The sale was managed by Great Northern Land and Cattle Company Inc. and held at the company's sale arena in Fond du Lac, Wis. Buyers paid a premium for the group of 40 milking cows that sold for an average of \$1,801.25 and accounted for 16 of the 20 high sellers.

Sale Analysis			
Number	Avg. Price	Total Value	
40 Cows, two years and over	\$1,801.25	\$72,050	
7 under 3 mos., s.w.d.	578.57	4,050	
27 Bred heifers	1,575.93	42,550	
8 Open yearlings	1,187.50	9,500	
22 Heifer calves	745.45	16,400	
97 Lots	\$1,490.21	\$144,550	
Median price	\$1,237.50		

Sale Management: Great Northern Land & Cattle Co., Inc. Auctioneer: Chris Hill

A daughter of K&K Impact Olga, a cow that made headlines for her production achievements in 2018, brought the top dollar of the day. Vierra Dairy Farms placed the final bid of \$9,000 on Lost-Elm Dimension Oasis to bring the springing heifer home to the farm in Hilmar, Calif. The daughter of Sunset Canyon Dimension-ET, GJPI+137, sold due to sexed Richies Jace TBone A364, GJPI+41, and freshened for her new owner in mid-October. She gave 75 lbs. milk on her first test in November and has a projected m.e. of 27,486–1,435–1,012 at 1-9.

In her fourth lactation, her dam, "Olga," became the second cow in breed history to produce a record over 50,000 lbs. milk. Her 365-day record of 52,080 lbs. milk, 1,964 lbs. fat, 1,788 lbs. protein and 5,622 lbs. cheese yield ranks second for milk, third for protein and sixth for cheese yield in breed history. "Olga" is appraised Excellent-90% and sired by Dutch Hollow Impact-ET, GJPI +16. The production queen made 40,891 lbs. milk, 1,993 lbs. fat and 1,464 lbs. protein in 353 days in her previous lactation at 3-11.

The grandam of "Oasis" is a Very Good-86% daughter of MS Rescue Oasis, GJPI -31, with five complete lactations—all over 20,000 lbs. milk—and a best record of 4-8 305 25,350 4.4% 1,125 4.0% 1,006 98DCR. The next dam has an m.e. of 25,582–1,361–998 on her first lactation.

Jim Janes of Berlin, Wis., purchased the second high seller, Lost-Elm Topeka Trisha, for \$5,300. The Very Good-86% junior two-year-old is sired by Heartland Merchant Topeka-ET, GJPI +40, and sold bred to Jars of Clay Barnabas, GJPI +60, in mid-June. She was Honorable Mention Intermediate Champion of the Midwest National Spring Show in 2018. She is projected to 19,368 lbs. milk, 827 lbs. fat and 658 lbs. protein actual at 1-10 and has an m.e. of 25,080–1,066–862 on her first lactation.

Her grandam is a Very Good-82% daughter of BW Legionaire-ET, GJPI-15, with a two lactation m.e. average of 21,248–899–722. The next dam is a Very Good-89% daughter of Rapid Bay Breakaway-ET, GJPI-28, with six lactations and a best record of 3-1 305 23,480 4.2% 977 3.6% 842 98DCR. Her fourth and fifth dams are Very Good-88% and Excellent-90%, respectively.

The fancy-uddered junior two-year-old cataloged as Lot 1 was the third high seller, purchased by Kris Garbrecht and Jim Klimpke of Oconto Falls, Wis. The pair purchased Lost Elm Colton Escort for \$4,900. The Very Good-87% daughter of Chilli Action Colton-ET, GJPI +29, sold due to J-Kay Tequila Fizz, GJPI -80, in early April. She has a projected m.e. of 20,811–974–723 on her first lactation at 2-0.

"Escort" has a Very Good-87% maternal sister with a projected m.e. of 21,904–956–809 on her first lactation. Their dam is an Excellent-90% daughter of Rachels Last Rendition, JPI -98. Their grandam is an Excellent-90% daughter of BW Legion, GJPI+2, with eight complete lactations and a best record of 5-2 305 20,090 1,152 4.2% 837 98DCR. The next dam is also appraised Excellent-90% and has a five lactation m.e. average of 17,075–943–694.

"Escort's" fourth dam, Hollylane Rene Esmeralda, EX 93-4E (CAN), is a former Canadian fat and protein champion. She has a best record of 31,837 lbs. milk, 1,356 lbs. fat and 1,213 lbs. protein at 6-7 and lifetime credits of 171,941 lbs. milk, 9,178 lbs. fat and 6,634 lbs. protein in six lactations. She was Reserve All Canadian Senior Two-Year-Old in 1995. The next three dams are Very Good or Excellent in Canada.

Nelson Miller, Argyle, Wis., was the volume buyer with 13 lots purchased for \$14.125.

Lost Elm Jerseys is operated by Jason and his parents, Jerry and Phyllis. The couple purchased the farm in 1972 and established the dairy herd with Ayrshires. Holsteins and Brown Swiss followed thereafter, and then, the first Jersey in 2000. The transition to a fully-Jersey herd began in 2010 with the dispersal of the Brown Swiss. Among the early Jersey purchases to fill the barn were several head from the K&K

Jerseys Dispersal, source of "Olga's" dam.

Lost Elm Jerseys is enrolled on REAP and has a 2017 lactation average of 21,109 lbs. milk, 975 lbs. fat and 778 lbs. protein on 71 cows. The herd includes 45 Excellent and 37 Very Good cows and has an appraisal average of 89.1%. The Luttropps won Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor at the Wisconsin State Jersey Show in 2016 and 2017 and exhibited Lost Elm Tequila Petunia to Junior Champion laurels at The All American Jersey Show and the International Jersey Show in 2016.

Sales \$1,625 and Over

Vierra Dairy Farms, Hilmar, Calif.

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Lost-Elm Dimension Oasis, bred heifer 20 mos \$9,000		
Jim Janes, Berlin, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Topeka Trisha, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Tequila Phlox, open yearling 13 mos 2,650		
Kris Garbrecht and Jim Klimpke, Oconto Falls, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Colton Escort, cow 2 yrs4,900		
Joe and Colleen Nepermann, Junction City, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Comerica Fifi, cow 2 yrs		
(Max and Steve Bachelor and Family, Angola, Ind.)		
Byers Dairy Farm, Milo, Iowa		
Lost-Elm Magic Time, cow 4 yrs		
Chloe L. Kinnard, Casco, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Premier Morgan, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Tequila Marmadiva, bred heifer 2 yrs 2,500		
Steve Boldt, Ottawa, III.		
Lost-Elm Tequila Excitement, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Hired Gun Maeve, bred heifer 13 mos 1,675		
Kris Garbrecht, Oconto Falls, Wis.		
Crestbrook Applejack Madena-ET, cow 2 yrs 2,250		
Lost-Elm Stowe Everlast-Twin, cow 3 yrs		
Lost-Elm Impression Mardiva, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Irwin Masquerade, cow 2 yrs		
Louis and Jenny Averbeck, Fond du Lac, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Impression Dazzle, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Topeka Erenda, cow 2 yrs		
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Lost-Elm Tequila Klevor, cow 2 yrs		
Nick Heineman, Shiocton, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Karbala Azura, cow 2 yrs 2,075		
Lost-Elm Hired Gun Essential, cow 3 yrs		
Lost-Elm Tequila Excellency, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Target Ellcialee, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Topeka Encore, cow 2 yrs		
Miles and Rebekah Schraufnagel, Brownsville, Wis.		
Partee Colton Lisa, cow 2 yrs		
Chris Weiland, Spencer, Wis.		
Lost-Elm On Time Tango, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm On Time Marmie, cow 3 yrs		
Robert and Doreen Wesp, Harford, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Ladd Evelyn, bred heifer 21 mos 1,775		
Lyndon Lichty, Westby, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Topeka Priscilla, cow 2 yrs		
Lost-Elm Topeka Embers, bred heifer 22 mos 1,675		
D & D Jerseys, Newton, Wis.		
Hillview Spartan Key-Lackie-P-ET, cow 3 yrs 1,700		
Andrew and Diane Dice, Fredericksburg, Pa.		
Lost-Elm Tequila J Baby, open yearling 14 mos 1,675		
Matt McCourt, Fond du Lac, Wis.		
Lost-Elm Applejack Mona, cow 4 yrs 1,625		