

Lady

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signed her first bull contract in 2006 at the age of 6," Terry commented.

Lady currently has five sons in A.I.: a Wonderment and an Agenda at Select Sires; a Dynasty and a Wonderment at New Generation Genetics; and a Power Surge at Genex.

Lady also has several daughters and granddaughters in the Little Hill herd as well as others around the country. One of them is Little Hill Lady In Red, who is scored VG-87 and has a best record of 4-6y 365d 37,928M 3.9% 1490F 3.2% 1213P. Lady In Red also has several high producing daughters including, Little Hill PS Lilac ET (EX-90). Other Exclaim Lady daughters include Little Hill First Lady-ET (VG-89) with a best record of 3-8y 365d 32,325M 1305F 1106P, and Little Hill Little Lady-Twin (VG-85) who has a record of 1-11y 305d 28,899M 1039F 844P.

Despite her production and potential as a superior brood cow, Lady received no special treatment until she was 8 years of age. She developed a foot abscess in December of 2008 and has been kept in a box stall ever since that time. Her first 4 1/2 lactations were made when she was housed in the barn with the rest of the cows.

Terry describes Lady as a very strong-willed



LITTLE HILL EXCLAIM LADY (3E-93)

Having broken the national lifetime butterfat production record for her breed this past summer, "Lady" continues to add even more pounds to her record. She freshened on September 24 and checked in with 117 pounds of milk and 7.2% butterfat on her first test.

cow and aggressive eater. "She just wants to be left alone to eat, sleep and milk," Terry smiled. "Administering IVs, pills and drenches or taking her temperature can be a challenge. Thankfully we

didn't have to do that much with her! However, she loves to be scratched behind the ear or under the chin and she also loves to get extra treats of hay."

"Lady's strong-willed and aggressive personality is her strength," Terry affirmed. It's the foundation for her longevity. She is average in stature but above average in strength, depth of body and dairyness.

Lady's only real weakness is an occasional struggle with a foot problem that first surfaced in December of 2008.

Recalling the situation, Terry said it occurred a day after she was bred for a flush. She developed winter dysentery and a foot abscess. "We moved her to a box stall, placed her on antibiotics, and worked weekly on her foot. She was able to overcome that set-back. Once she recovered, we had the vet check her to start flushing her again. He informed us that she was pregnant from the flush in December. We allowed her to maintain the pregnancy and she delivered a Wonderment bull in September 2009 that is currently at Select Sires. She finished that lactation with 365 days 41,490 pounds of milk 5.5% 2276 pounds of butterfat, 3.1% and 1271 pounds of protein.

At her most recent calving on September 24, Lady delivered a Brookings bull that is contracted to New Generation Genetics. "She will enter our flushing program in a month or two. We already have had inquiries on what we are flushing her to this lactation," Terry concluded happily.

Dairy Hall of Fame nominations due by Nov. 15

HARRISBURG, Pa. -- Nominations are being sought for the first Pennsylvania Dairy Hall of Fame award through Nov. 15. The award was established to honor an accomplished dairy leader who has made major contributions to the well-being of the state's dairy industry.

The award will be presented during the Supreme Champion Dairy Cattle pageant on Friday, Jan. 13, 2012, during the 96th Pennsylvania Farm Show.

"Pennsylvania's dairy industry has long been recognized as a national leader, not only for exceptional milk production and dairy herds, but also for the people who move the industry forward through hard work, leadership and innovation," said Agriculture Secretary George Greig. "We invite nominations for

the hall of fame award to recognize these outstanding individuals who have dedicated their lives to the past traditions, present success and future promise of the dairy industry."

The recipient will receive a permanent plaque in the Pennsylvania Dairy Hall of Fame at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and Expo Center in Harrisburg.

A qualified recipient is a dairy farmer, cattle breeder, exhibitor of dairy cattle or contributor to the well-being of the dairy industry and dairy expositions who lives in Pennsylvania. Nominees must be accomplished leaders of high purpose and actions, have encouraged the development of youth for the future of the dairy industry, and have displayed exemplary traits of character, honesty and integrity.

Nominations must be submitted in writing and include detailed qualifications and personal conduct of the nominee. Include the name, address and phone number of the nominee and the individual or group making the nomination.

Nominations are due Nov. 15 to the All-American Dairy Show Office, 2300 N. Cameron St., Harrisburg, PA 17110.

The Pennsylvania Farm Show is the largest indoor agricultural event in the nation, featuring nearly 6,000 animals, 10,000 competitive exhibits and 300 commercial exhibitors. The show runs Jan. 7-14 at the Pennsylvania Farm Show Complex and Expo Center in Harrisburg. Admission is free and parking is \$10. For more information, visit www.farmshow.state.pa.us.

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