

Mid-Atlantic no-till meeting ready to roll

COLLEGE PARK, MD. — Nitrogen sources and application techniques have become critical components in achieving maximum corn yields with a no-tillage cultural program.

So the lead-off session for next month's Mid-Atlantic No-Till Conference will feature a tri-state, five-man panel addressing itself to this issue. Panel members and their sub-topics are as follows:

"Report from Ohio" — Donald K. Myers, an Extension agronomist at Ohio State University;

"Drop Nozzle Application" — Raymond Byler, a commercial applicator from Belleville, Pa. (Mifflin county);

"Knifing in Anhydrous Ammonia" — Robert G. Thomas of Freeland, Md., a Baltimore county farmer;

"Dry Nitrogen, Broadcast Post-Emergence" — W. Drew Stabler of Gaithersburg, Md., a Montgomery county farmer;

"Manure: Plus or Minus for No-Till Farming" — Herbert W. Wessel, Jr., of Hampstead, Md., a Carroll county dairy farmer.

The eighth annual farmer educational event is scheduled Jan. 7 in the Exhibition hall on the Maryland state fairground at Timonium. Registration will get under way at 8 a.m., with the morning program set to begin at 9:30. The afternoon program will run from 1:30 to 3:30.

Tickets for the noon lunch must be purchased in advance before Dec. 30 from county Extension offices in Delaware, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia or West Virginia.

More than 1,500 farmers and agribusinessmen from the six-state area are expected to attend, according to V. Allan Bandel, planning committee chairman. Bandel is Extension soils specialist and professor of agronomy at the University of Maryland, College Park.

He reports that 35 agribusiness sponsors - a record number for this event - will be setting up commercial and educational exhibits. As in past years, the event is sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service at land-grant universities in the six-state area in

cooperation with interested agribusiness firms.

The Maryland state fairground, site of this year's no-till conference, is located in the 2200 block of York road in Timonium. For easy access from southern points, drive three miles north of the

Baltimore Beltway on highway I-83; turn off at exit 16A and take a left onto York road.

If coming from the north, turn off at exit 17A and take a right onto York road. Take another right into the fairground near the 4-H and Home Arts building.



Officers and committee members for next month's Mid-Atlantic No-Till Conference posed for their picture during final planning session on Dec. 7 at the Maryland State Fairground in Timonium. Seated are, left to right: Richard S. Witmer of Middletown, Md., program committee; V. Allan Bandel of Highland, Md. chairman; John Hauck of

Carlisle, Pa., secretary. Standing are, left to right: G. Richard Curran of Westminster, Md., arrangements; John Harris of New Bloomfield, Pa., vice chairman and treasurer; Walter C. Johnson of Julian, Pa., budget and finance; Ed Wilson of Leola, Pa., hospitality, and Donald J. Overdorff of Carlisle, Pa., program committee.

Farm-Home Center dinner on Jan. 28

LANCASTER — The annual meeting of the Farm and Home Foundation of Lancaster County will be held Thursday, Jan. 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Farm and Home Center Auditorium.

The program will feature Walter Buescher of Pigeon Forge, Tn. His

subject will be The American Dream, a three cheers for America presentation combining humor with a serious message. His visit is sponsored by Sperry New Holland. Mary Martin will provide dinner music. There will be a brief business meeting, including the election of directors.

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