

Hunterdon plans farm tours on Saturday

FLEMINGTON, N.J. — Hunterdon's agriculture is a highly diverse industry. To see this, plan to participate in the "Ag Awareness Day" activities scheduled for next Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Of course, there will be a dairy farm and a horse breeding/training facility. There'll be beef, sheep and grain farms. And more, there will be tree and shrub nurseries, greenhouses and garden center, a couple of modern fruit farms, an excellent winery/vineyard, and a general farm that's diverse in itself.

The 12 farms involved will be opening their doors to the public. The committee coordinating the event is the Agriculture Awareness Committee of the Hunterdon County Board of Agriculture.

Susan Blew, chairman of the committee, and her husband, Ted, have their "general" farm on the list. Oak Grove Plantation is a classic example of diversity. They started out producing grains for the wholesale market. It's difficult to compete with the Midwest, so they considered moving into more direct marketing, what with our proximity to heavy populated areas.

They now grow vegetables, bedding plants, sunflowers for birdseed, hay, popcorn, soybeans for seed, other grains and straw. They produce High Hope Hogs for table and home freezer, home-milled grains for flour.

Wool Production

At Fred and Linda Walker's WoodsEdge Wool, visitors will see still another operation that's quite unique. The Walkers have a farm west of Ringoes, at Bowne Station,

and specialize in dual-purpose sheep. They have 100 head of registered Romney, Border Leicesters, and Coopworth sheep for meat and wool. The long lustrous fleeces are processed by handspinning into knitting and weaving yarns. Other products are freezer lambs and washable sheepskins.

On the day of open house, a caterer at the farm will be selling

lamb burgers and lamb sausage sandwiches from 10 to 4 p.m. There will be demonstrations of sheep shearing and processing raw wool to yarn. There is a yarn shop on premises.

Other Stops

Other farms open to the public on "Ag Awareness Day" are: in the northern part of the county, Dan & Lynn Vernon's Tewksbury Wine Cellars; Fred Clucas' grain farm;

Charles Hildebrand's nursery and farm.

In the center of the county, it will be the Douglass Family's Linden Farms, a dairy farm; Mr. & Mrs. Sorge's Ripple Spring apple and peach farm; Dave Buchholz's Glen Summit pick-your-own fruit farm; Old Dogwood Hill Farm with its excellent horse breeding and training program; the Perrine's very large greenhouse and florist operation; Herman Panacek's

Sycamore Lane Farm & Nursery, soybeans, trees, trees, and more trees.

South, in addition to WoodsEdge Wools, there will be the opportunity to see Col. James & Nancy Horn's Stone Rows Farm, an extensive Simmental beef breeding farm.

Call the Cooperative Extension office for a map of farm locations, 201-788-1338. Or, stop by the office.

UNIVERSITY PARK — James G. Tammen, former head of the Department of Plant Pathology at Penn State and current president of Olgevee Associates at Conneville, has been named a Fellow of the American Phytopathological Society. Tammen was elected in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the science of plant pathology and to the Society.

Perhaps Tammen's most significant work has been the development of "pathogenfree" propagating plants and of the growing systems that preclude reinfection of such plants. After becoming a member of the Penn State faculty in 1956, Tammen devoted several years of research to testing methods of identifying and growing healthy plants. By the early 1960s, he had developed a foundation stock of cultivars that remained free of systemic bacterial, fungal and viral pathogens for several generations. He then began working directly with growers to help them establish their own foundation blocks and



James Tammen

growing systems for the commercial production of pathogen-free geraniums. Commercial production of geraniums has since become an international industry.

Tammen's efforts in the Society

have been equally productive and include serving as President during 1973. Among his achievements are the development of the Disease Management Coordinating Committee, which provides a meeting ground for pathologists with diverse interests, and the co-founding of the Intersociety Consortium for Plant Protection.

Society elects Tammen

Ag in Action Day slated

BELLE MEAD, N.J. — The Somerset County Board of Agriculture will be holding its "Agriculture in Action" Day tomorrow from 1 to 4 p.m. at Tom D'Altrui's D.I. Farm on River Road, Belle Mead, N.J., south of Millstone. Free milk will be distributed by the Somerset County Dairy Princess and her Court. There will be free hayrides and agricultural informational pamphlets. Roast pork and hot dogs will be available for purchase.

During his career, Tammen has been awarded several research grants. Among them is the NATO Senior Fellowship grant, which he received in 1971. Tammen used his grant to finance a six-month sabbatical at the Agricultural University of Wageningen, the Netherlands, where he studied epidemic diseases of plants grown in enclosed environments.

Exhibitors will include a nurseryman, sod grower, three Standardbred horse organizations, a feedmill, as well as, the Soil Conservation District and Extension Service.

There will be a small petting zoo of farm animals to interest the children. This will be held rain or shine, as most of the exhibits will be located in a large indoor riding arena.

Follow the signs from rt. 206 east to rt. 533 (River Road). For further information call Dave Kyle or Jim Laine (201) 369-7445, (201) 369-4967.

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