Farmers Tour Local Businesses

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with products or people.

4. Don't hesitate to give of yourself.

After lunch at Weaver's, the group toured part of the processing plant. Allen Tate hosted the group in Weaver's Tour Center. Working under the slogan "Nobody Knows Chicken Like The Folks At Weavers", the business started more than 50 years ago when

Victor Weaver took 17 dressed chickens to sell at the Sharon Hill Farmers Market. From that beginning to a national network of brokers, warehouses and distribution centers and a large fleet of refrigerated trucks is a large step.

In addition, to the New Holland facility, Tate said the company has plants in North Carolina, Alabama and Georgia. About 60 percent of their products are distrubited under the Weaver label. And the other 40 percent goes to fast-food outlets and restaurants.

A list of the persons on the roster for the Lancaster Chamber's Farmer Business Tour is as follows: David B. Hess, Lancaster; Marlin R. Hershey, Lancaster; C.J. Nevin, Lan-disville; Robert Wenger, Quarryville; Stanley Musselman, Quarryville; B. Snavely Garber, Willow Street; Mervin E. Peifer, Manheim; Mr. & Mrs. J. Harold Frey, Marietta; Mr. & Mrs. Daniel

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& Mrs. Loren Landis, Lancaster; Harry Roth, Atlantic Breeders Cooperative; Ray Lehr, Pennfield Corporation; Jay Irwin, County Extension Service; Robert Zook, Meridan Bank; Gary Dean, Purina Mills; Jennifer Jenkins, New Holland, Inc.; Larry Weaver, LB-3-JO Farm; Mark Ritter, The Lancaster Chamber; Liz Lennon, The Lancaster Chamber and Everett Newswanger, Lancaster Farming.



nationwide in need of hay for livestock feed and fodder are encouraged to write to National Farmers Union's Haylift Hotline, Denver, Colorado 80251 to receive a listing of available hay and sellers. NFU's Haylift Hotline, initiated in response to the Southeastern U.S. drought, has listings from more than 150 hay producers in 20 states with more than 60,000 tons of hay available for sale at a reasonable price.

Hay producers interested in listing hay for sale at a reasonable price or for donation for emergency use may call 1-800-247-7539. Callers' information will be added to the inventory.

Haylift Hotline was designed to provide relief to farmers and ranchers who, due to drought or flood or other emergency, need a supply of hay for their livestock. Before such volunteer relief efforts began, the price per ton for purchased hay in the Southeast was in excess of \$200. Haylift Hotline listings now show hay for sale at \$25 to \$125 per ton.

From July 20 to Sept. 1, it is estimated that more than 80,000 tons of hay was transported to the Southeastern U.S. through a massive effort involving more than 40 railroads and rail equipment companies, 32 airlifts by National Guard and other military airplanes, and volunteered tractortrailers.

NFU's Haylift Hotline was directly involved in moving 70,000 tons of hay from every state in the contiguous United States except New Jersey. Thousands of volunteers cooperated, including groups such as a cotton seed oil company in California, a 4-H Club in Nevada, and church groups in South Dakota. Many state Farmers Union efforts expanded to include coalitions with other groups.



Group pictures of the Lancaster Chamber of Commerce Business Tour for farmers. Top photo Earl Hess speaks to the group. Bottom photo in the tour center at Weaver's in

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