

# Garber Family Commended

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Now the Garbers insist that children not be allowed to ride on tractors.

"It's tough," Garber admits. "The children beg to go along." Although he's tempted to believe nothing would happen he said, "I force myself to say no. Sometimes we parents must be tough."

The Garber's safety efforts were heralded as the best in a contest sponsored by "Successful Farming" magazine and "Just Kids," a national farm safety program for children.

## Weiss Joins National Dairy Board

ARLINGTON, VA. — Richard B. Weiss has been named as Senior Vice President of Public Relations for the National Dairy Board. He joined the staff on August 21, 1989.

Weiss's responsibilities will include anticipating and managing public issues with potential for affecting dairy consumption, initiating public relations campaigns that will positively position milk and dairy foods and keeping the dairy industry leaders informed of NDB plans, activities and results.

A 20-year veteran of the marketing and public relations industry, Weiss came to the Board from the National Paint and Coatings Association where he was Director of Public Relations and Management Information.

Previously, he was Director of Marketing for Hollister, Inc. in Chicago, Illinois.

Weiss has also held positions with the Keebler Company, Elmhurst, Ill., Abbott Laboratories International, North Chicago, Ill. and the Alberto-Culver Company, Melrose Park, Ill. and San Juan, Puerto Rico. He began his career with the Curity Division of the Kendall Company, Chicago.

Weiss is a graduate of Dart-

The founder of the "Just Kids" program, Marilyn Adams, began the program from her own personal tragedy. Two years ago her 11-year-old son suffocated in a gravity-flow wagon filled with corn.

During the ceremony, Adams, who is from Iowa, said that Sweden and Finland do not have the tractor fatalities that the U.S. have since they have mandatory tractor roll over. She quoted statistics that the tractor is the number one killer on the farm and that one in four

mouth College with his M.B.A. and A.B.

children's injuries on the farm are preventable.

"Canada doesn't have that problem," she said, "because teachers are given a 300-page manual on farm safety, which is taught to students."

Adams through her farm safety program developed videos, coloring books, newsletters and other items to promote safety.

She is appalled that so many parents do not practice safety measures on the farm. She related an incident that she had heard about this week. A cow had fallen in a manure pit. The dad threw boards out and told his 16-year-old son to walk on the boards to save the cow.

"We are not thinking," Adams cried. "Don't take the risk with our kids. God gave them to us. If we don't take care of them, he takes

them away."

President George Bush sent a telegram congratulating the Garbers for showing exemplary foresight and resourcefulness in protecting their children. He said, "Their simple, inexpensive measures can prevent most of the serious agricultural accidents involving young Americans."

What can one person do to change the statistics? Senator Noah Wenger said the Garber family proved that one family can do a lot. "You brought honor to your farm, yourself, your county, your state and the nation."

In an effort to make the agriculture community more safety conscious President Bush proclaimed September 17 to 23 National Farm Safety Week.

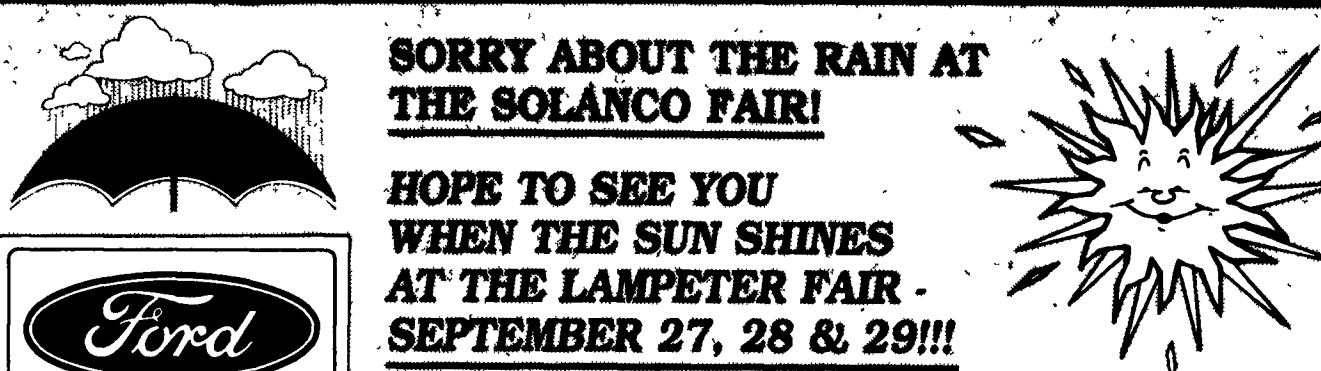
Proclamations were read by Senator Noah Wenger, State Rep-

resentative John Barley, Lancaster County Commissioner Chairman Jim Huber, and Steve Crawford for the Secretary of Agriculture.

The Garbers live on an 185-acre dairy farm in Pequea Township. They hold monthly meetings with their children, employees, and their families to keep up to date on safety practices.

Jay Irwin, county extension service agent, noted that since 1984, 17 farming fatalities have happened in Lancaster County. Six happened to children between the ages of 1 and five. The county has a higher percentage of farm accidents than any other state.

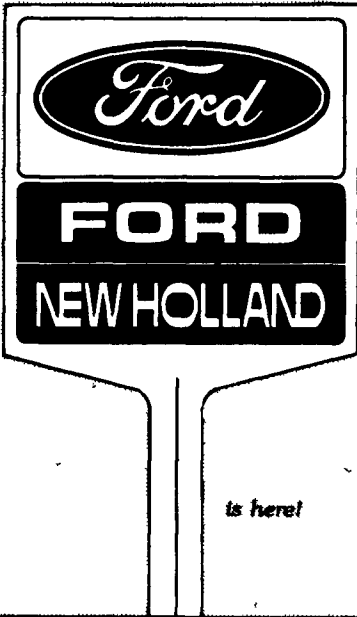

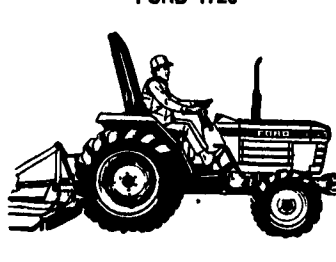
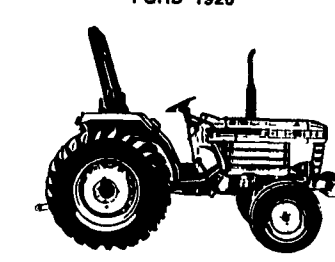

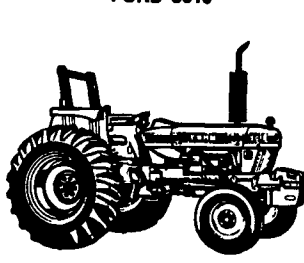

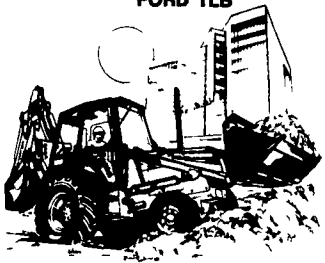
Jim Huber, county commissioner, said that the county's agricultural industry is a source of strength and pride. He urged an all out effort to make the farm a safer place to live.




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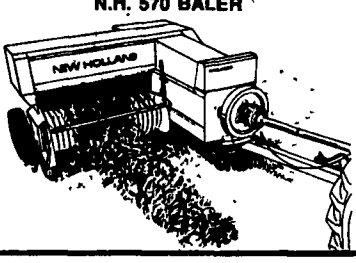
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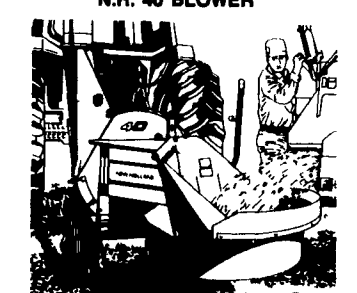
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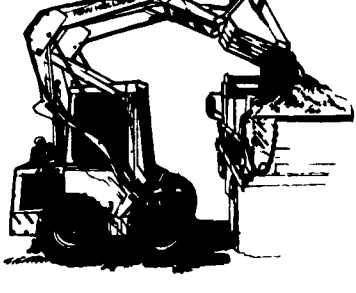
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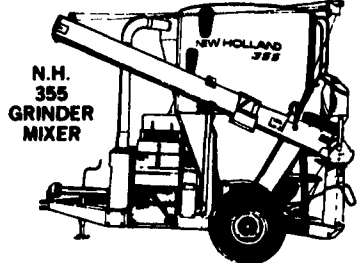
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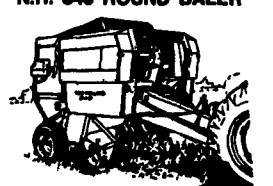
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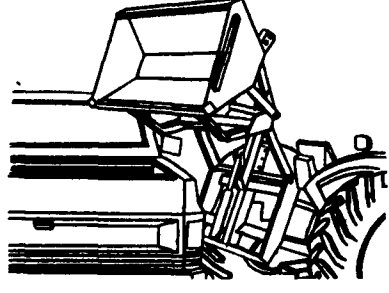
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