

# Horse Expo, Trade Fair In Intercourse

INTERCOURSE (Lancaster Co.) — An International Horse Expo and Equine Trade Fair will be held Saturday, March 28 and Sunday, March 29 at Martins Sales Pavilion located two miles east of Intercourse, Pa.

Larry L. Martin and Paul Z. Martin, Jr., owners of Martin Auctioneers, Inc., have just celebrated 20 years of conducting auctions of horse drawn coaches, carriages, sleighs, horse-related equipment, and collectibles at their auction facilities, two miles east of Intercourse and throughout the U.S. and Canada.

In their quest to keep the horse industry alive and promote horse-related events, the idea of an Equine Trade Fair emerged in 1991, in conjunction with a two-day carriage auction and specialized all-breed driving horse and pony auction. Because of the tremendous success the first year, the Martins are moving ahead to organize and plan another successful event in 1992.

Included in the admission to the Trade Fair, speakers include:

• Joan Embrey - A Goodwill

Ambassador of the San Diego Zoo and Wild Animal Park, she is well known for her frequent guest appearances with her animal friends on the "Tonight Show."

• Bill Long - A horse trainer for

driving horses and known throughout the world as a leading international team driver (horses). He has participated in competition with Prince Philip of England.

• Dr. William Tiznick - Profes-

sor of equine nutrition at Ohio State University, he is also a speaker on equine fallacies and nutrition.

Events will include a carriage drive through the Pennsylvania

Dutch country with more than 50 horses hitched to all types of carriages.

For additional information, contact Larry or Paul Martin at (717) 768-8108.

## Cooperative Appoints Manager

SHIPPENSBURG (Cumberland Co.) — Paul Hornbaker, chairman of the board of directors of the Cumberland Valley Cooperative Association, has announced the appointment of Rene L. Lavoie as the general manager of the cooperative.

Lavoie has been the manager of the cooperative's feed and fertilizer plant near Shippensburg since February 1991.

A native of Vermont, Lavoie is a graduate of Kansas State University, where he received a bachelor of science degree in feed technology and operations. He has been employed in the field as a production superintendent, operations manager, and general manager. He has served on the board of directors and as president of the



Eastern Federation of Feed merchants, as well as a representative to the Council of Agricultural Organizations, a New York State group.

Lavoie resides in Hopewell Township with his wife Charity. They are parents of four grown children.

The Cooperative is farmer-owned with branches in Shippensburg, Chambersburg, Longsdorf, Mechanicsburg, and Newville and

has been supplying quality feed, seed, and fertilizer to members and the public for 62 years. The modern plant facilities enable the cooperative to custom formulate, grind, and mix feeds and to custom blend fertilizers to meet the needs of today's more scientific farmers.

Lavoie replaces Henry A. Zajac as general manager. Zajac is retiring after eight years with the cooperative.

## MDA Open House Bigger, Better

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — The annual "Open House" at the Maryland Department of Agriculture is going to be bigger and better than ever with new things for the public to see and do on Saturday, March 21. Last year, the event drew more than 5,000 visitors.

As in the past, the event will start off with the "Maryland With Pride" 10-K Run set up by the Annapolis Striders, starting at 9 a.m.

Again this year will be laboratory tours in the Department's new wing featuring labs that do work on animal feeds, household cleaning products, fertilizers, pesticides and even a lab which checks weights down to a millionth of a

pound for accuracy.

Farming means food and there will be no shortage of cooking and food sampling demonstrations put on by many Maryland food commodity organizations ranging from apples to seafood and fish farming.

There will also be a number of activities for children: a farm coloring contest, face painting, and a petting zoo stocked with fuzzy, furry, and friendly animals.

The event will be held at the department's headquarters building, 50 Harry S Truman Parkway, Annapolis, MD 21401. Additional information can be obtained by contacting Desiree Mundell at (410) 841-5770.

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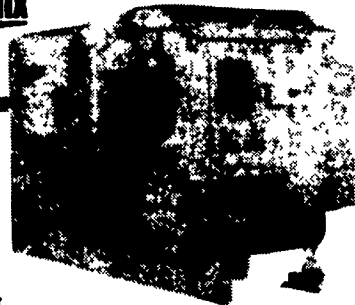
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