

Lebanon Resident Becomes Outstanding Ag Student

UNIVERSITY PARK (Centre Co.) — Teresa J. Hill, a Penn State student from Lebanon, has been named the 1993 Outstanding Two-Year Agricultural Business Student by the College of Agricultural Sciences Alumni Society.

She was honored at the college's 1993 Spring Commencement, held Saturday, May 15, at Penn State's University Park Campus.

Hill, the daughter of James Hill and Betty Frint, received an asso-

ciate degree in agricultural business. She made the Dean's List in 1991 and 1992 and was active in the Dairy Science Club and the Coaly Society. During her studies, she worked for Lebanon Valley National Bank and on three dairy farms.

In Lebanon County, she was a member of FFA and the Junior Holstein Club. She plans to work in an agricultural financial institution and to remain active in the agricultural community.

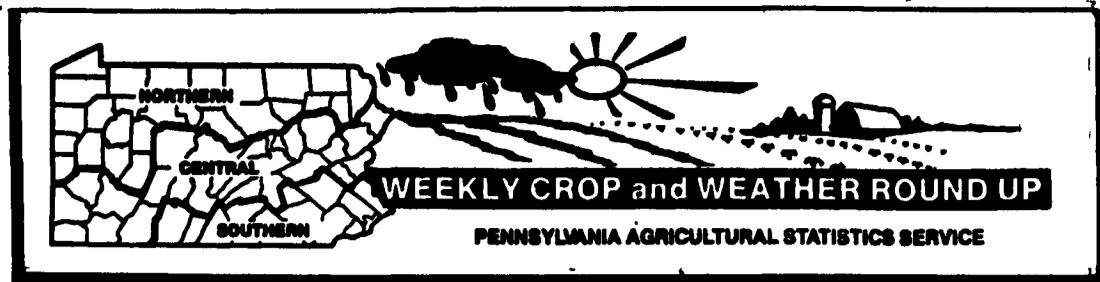
Supervisors Employees Of Year

BELLEVILLE (Centre Co.) — Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) is pleased to announce that County Supervisor Mildred L. Turner, and Assistant County Supervisor Dorothy J. Gates, of the Centre County office were selected for "Employees of the Year - 1992."

These employees were selected from several other nominees from Pennsylvania. FmHA employees criteria for the award were based on the employees' overall effectiveness in delivering of FmHA programs, contributions to man-

agement effectiveness/cost reduction, respect earned throughout the community, cooperation with peers, superiors and the public, and concern in day-to-day dealings with the public.

Bellefonte traditionally has been in the top five in the state for both rural housing and farmer program loans made each year. The rural housing case load remains steady at 850 clients while the farmer program case load has consistently increased by 10 clients per year, with a total of 75 clients, to date.



FOR THE WEEK ENDING MAY 16

EXCELLENT WEEK FOR FIELDWORK: Above-normal temperatures and below-normal precipitation allowed six days suitable for fieldwork last week. Soil moisture was rated short by 12 percent of our respondents, adequate by 75 percent, and surplus by 13 percent. Activities included manure hauling; preparing seedbeds; planting oats, corn, soybeans and potatoes; first alfalfa cutting started; fixing fence; and caring for livestock.

CROPS: Planting of all spring crops progressed rapidly last week but continued to be about one week behind normal for oats and potatoes. Plantings for corn and soybeans have progressed at about the normal pace. Tobacco transplanting was started. Hay stands showed excellent growth last week. Grazing of rotational pastures was going strong and cattle were moved onto all pastures across the state, with the exception of a few selected areas that were still too wet.

FRUITS: Fruit tree development continued to advance rapidly. Fruit sets looked good. There were reports of frost in the northern areas with some minor damage.

Protect Your Farm From Theft

SHARTLESVILLE (Berks Co.) — The Young Farmers group of the Tulpehocken Area School District will present a program at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 7, about protecting your farm equipment and animals from theft.

Chris Williams, an agriculture

instructor at the high school and adviser to the group, said a state trooper from the Hamburg barracks will discuss how farmers can protect their equipment and livestock from thieves.

It's not unheard of for thieves to take these things, she said.

"Several farmers I work with have had their shops robbed," she added.

The meeting is open to the public and will be held in the barn of Paul Zimmerman, who lives on Tulpehocken Road west of Shartlesville. When you turn onto Tulpehocken Road off Old 22, the Zimmerman farm is the first one on the left.

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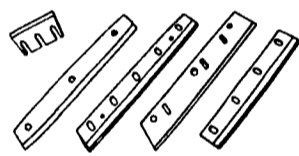
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