

Business News

Hudson Valley Tour In May

CHATHAM, N.Y. — Col-Berk Rural Tours announces its 1994 Tour of The Hudson Valley, New York, and The Berkshire Hills of Massachusetts.

From May 9-13, participants will visit working farms, hobby farms, historic sites, and experimental agricultural facilities.

Farm families with a mind for changing or expanding their markets, agricultural agents who wish to get a closer look at alternative farms, and others will find this tour fun and informative.

Destinations include The Norman Rockwell Museum, a retirement farm, "high-tech" and "retro" dairy farms, a working farm community, a Buffalo farm, an Arabian horse farm, a Christmas Tree farm, miniature horses, fruit farms, a winery, a castle, a tour of historic Albany, a visit with a local veterinarian, and more. Col-Berk personnel and site staff will provide commentary and answer



Wing's Castle, complete with moat, is featured as part of Col-Berk's Rural Tour. This diversified tour is from May 9-13. For information, call (518) 392-4663.

questions.

Breakfast, morning snacks and lunches each day and a Thursday evening feast are included in the cost of the package. The Tour be-

gins with a get-acquainted party Monday evening at the Ramada Inn in Albany, New York. For reservations call Col-Berk Rural Tours at (518) 392-4663.

Zimmerman Sells, Services Gleaner Combines

NORCROSS, Ga. — Zimmerman's Farm Service in Bethel, Pa., serving area farmers for 33 years, is an authorized Gleaner combine dealership, providing sales and service support for Gleaner rotary combines with grain tank capacities ranging from 170 to 330 bushels and diesel engines rated from 180 to 300 horsepower.

"Gleaner is a well-recognized combine brand with a heritage of quality and reliability," said Harvey Zimmerman, owner. "We invite farmers throughout the area to stop by for a first-hand look at these machines.

"We will stock replacement parts for all present owners of Gleaner combines, and maintain an extensive parts inventory for new combine purchasers," said Ella Mae Zimmerman, parts manager.

"During the harvest season, for equipment-down emergencies, we can source a needed part from any of nine strategically-located North American parts warehouses. Most of these orders are shipped the same day they are placed," said Elle Mae.

Carl Zimmerman, service manager, and the department's service technicians have many years ex-

perience performing professional maintenance and repair work on all brands of equipment. The department is fully equipped to service Gleaner combines.

James Zimmerman is sales manager for lawn and garden equipment.

Zimmerman's Farm Service is located at 180 School Road in Bethel. The phone is (717) 933-4114.

Leaders Seek Water Quality Solutions

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Farmer cooperative leaders teamed up with business, government, and non-profit leaders recently to convene the National Forum on Nonpoint Source Pollution.

At the opening session of this year-long effort, Forum members were charged with ratifying a charter and providing direction to special work groups responsible for developing recommendations for the Forum's consideration.

The goal of the Forum, established by the National Geographic Society and The Conservation Fund, is to develop, implement, and communicate to the public innovative, non-regulatory solutions for nonpoint source pollution based on market incentives, voluntary initiatives, and education. Principle sources of nonpoint source pollution include water runoff from farms, city streets, residential lawns, parking lots, and construction sites.

Congress is currently considering Clean Water Act reauthorization legislation that would regulate agricultural nonpoint source runoff for the first time. The national Council of Farmer Cooperatives (NCFC) is commit-

ted to finding business-oriented solutions to water quality issues and demonstrating that the unique farmer-cooperative partnership is a willing player in the ongoing search for workable, non-regulatory solutions.

Farmer cooperative representatives on the forum include:

• Glenn Webb, farmer. Webb and his wife, Phyllis, own and operate a 430 acre fruit and livestock farm near Tunnel Hill, Illinois.

• Russell L. Hanlin, president and CEO, Sunkist Growers, Inc. Sherman Oaks, California. Sunkist is a cooperative of 6,500 members in California and Arizo-

na with an average farm size of 40 acres.

• Robert C. Liuzzi, president and CEO, representing member-owners of CF Industries, Inc., an interregional agricultural fertilizer cooperative headquartered in Long Grove, Illinois.

Noting that Secretary of Agriculture Mike Espy is one of three Cabinet officials serving as ex officio members of the Forum, NCFC President Wayne Boutwell said, "We are pleased that the Secretary is committed to helping find solutions that will meet the dual test of addressing water quality challenges while permitting farmers to stay in business."

Sell Accepts Position

CURRYVILLE (Blair Co.) — H. Richard Sell recently accepted a position of account officer for PennWest Farm Credit, ACA (Agriculture Credit Association) in the Curryville office, according to Eastern Service Area Vice President Jay Chamberlin.

Sell has been with Farm Credit for 14 years beginning in credit and recently worked in records and tax service. He will provide

on-farm service to the agricultural community in the Curryville area, developing loans and servicing customers with the financial products they need.

Prior to working for Farm Credit, Sell was a vocational agriculture teacher in Hollidaysburg. He was raised on a dairy farm and earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in agricultural education from Penn State University.



Ruth Kreider



Christine Nolan

White Oak Mills Appoints 2

ELIZABETHTOWN (Lancaster Co.) — White Oak Mills, a fastly-expanding supplier of livestock and poultry feeds and pork producer, recently filled its accounts payable position with Ruth Kreider, of Elizabethtown.

In addition to accounts payable, Kreider is responsible for answering telephones, taking customer orders, and managing truckers' files and mill production records.

A graduate of Donegal High School, Kreider worked for NCR in the stock tab department for the past six years making sure contracts were priced correctly, handling billing, working with salespeople and handling customer service activities.

Also, White Oak Mills, recently appointed Christine Nolan, of Palmyra, to the new project coordinator position.

Serving as liaison for the company's ProGenetics division, Nolan is responsible for customer service activities as well as maintaining sow and finishing records and the genetic evaluation database boar list. She also performs administrative support duties, serves as a ProGenetics communication link and assists with ProGenetics boar and gilt shipments.

A 1987 graduate of North Allegheny High School, Nolan received a bachelor of science degree in dairy and animal science from Pennsylvania State University in 1992.

While attending college, she was an active member of the Penn State Block and Bridle Club for which she served as coresponding secretary, recording secretary and catalog editor. Other Block and Bridle activities in which she was involved include calling committee, Animal Products Spectacular, Keystone International Livestock Exposition, cattle breaking, commodity tailgate and Ag Hill Olympics.

In addition, she was a Little International Show participant where she was named Reserve Simmental Showman and Fitter. She also earned the Penn State Grant Sherritt award, presented to a hard-working senior, and the Hard-working Individual Showing Beef award.

Following graduation, Nolan worked as a dairy herdsman at Drovers Inn Farms, located in Butler County. Her responsibilities included herd health management, record keeping and general production duties.

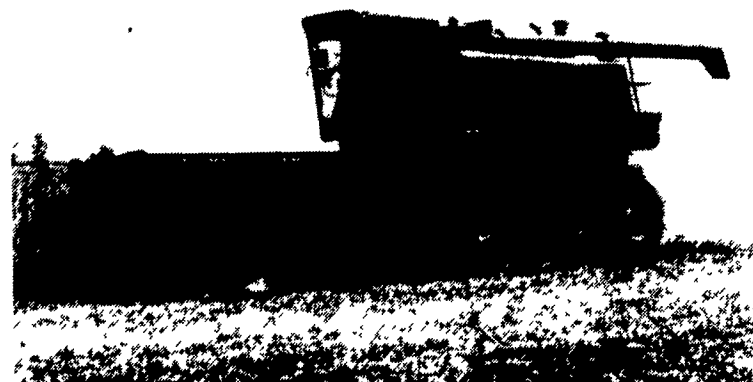
Cross Flow Fan Among AE 50

RACINE, Wis. — A major parts innovation for Case International Axial-Flow® combines — the Cross Flow™ fan — has been named among the Agricultural Engineering 50 as one of 1993's most outstanding innovations in product or systems technology.

A panel of national engineering experts chosen by *Agricultural Engineering* magazine reviewed nominations from component suppliers, equipment manufacturers and systems developers representing many different industries. According to the magazine, the panel selected developments that "embodied the application of new technology or the innovative application of an older technology" and would make "worthwhile contributions to the advancement

of engineering technology."

The Case International Cross Flow™ fan technology involves tapering the fan blades to form a patented Chevron pattern, which enables the air coming from the blades to penetrate the sieve area evenly. "The angled blades are always in contact with the fan cut-off and serve to slice the air, making for smooth, quiet operation and reduced vibration and horsepower requirements," said Gerry Salzman, Case product manager-combines. "The fan reduces noise and also significantly reduces the need for cleaning system adjustments found on other designs."



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