

PENNSYLVANIA MASTER CORN GROWERS ASSOCIATION

President's Message

H. Grant Troop President, PMCGA



Well, Mr. Groundhog, your time is up. Spring is now just around the comer. By the way — that was quite a memorable six weeks of winter you left us with as you crawled back into your hole.

It's hard to believe that our 1994 Corn Conference and the National Corn Growers "Corn Classic" (annual meeting) are behind us. By the way, it was

just great to see and visit with so many of you at the Pennsylvania Corn Conference on Feb. 4 in Lancaster. We thought the program was top notch and our guest speakers did an outstanding job.

A special "thank you" goes out to our conference committee and our guest speakers. We had good support from our exhibitor/sponsors and we

commend them for their participation. Also, we would like to the local representatives of the congratulate the winners of our 1993 Five-Acre Corn Club.

A final footnote: My cervical disk operation on Feb. 7 was successful and I have much relief in the affected areas. Many thanks for your prayers and concern.

Have you taken advantage of membership incentive plan? With a three-year membership (new or renewal), a sponsoring seed corn company will provide you with a bag of seed corn at no charge if you grow five or more acres of corn.

This is an excellent way to introduce fellow corn growers to PMCGA. A three-year membership is \$60 and our annual dues are \$25 if you would rather go year-to-year.

Please remember to thank sponsoring seed corn companies for their participation. The MIP theme is "Try Something New" and we hope you do. Please refer to the membership application form printed elsewhere in this issue of Com Talk.

As a member, you will receive Com Farmer Magazine a successful farming publication, The National Corn Grower newsletter, and Com Talk, our state newsletter which you have in hand. As a member you can participate in national and/or state corn yield contests. Every member is mailed a copy of the results of the national corn yield contest and the Pennsylvania Five-Acre Corn Club yield contest.

Members also receive copies of the Pennsylvania commercial corn hybrid test results for each of the four maturity zones in Pennsylvania. This testing, conducted by Penn State, is a

very good tool to use when evaluating the corn hybrids on the market and how they might meet the needs of our corn production operations.

As an organization, we promote fellowship between farmers wherever corn is grown. We are dedicated to the profitable production and utilization of com. Our purpose is to keep members abreast of the latest developments in all segments of corn production, storage, and utilization.

We are at the threshold of spring, bursting forth in all its splendor. As we behold the majesty of the renewal of the earth's surface by the creator, may we experience daily renewal of the inner man wrought by the touch of the master's hand.

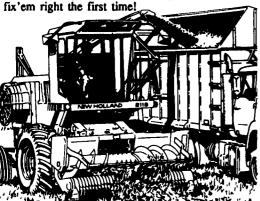
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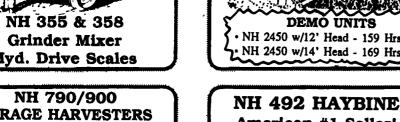
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