

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

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What a great year it has been as Pennsylvania Forage and Grassland Council (PFGC) president!

This summer's 40th Anniversary Celebration provided an opportunity to meet council founders and learn from leaders in the agriculture industry.

Then, this fall, I had the pleasure of honoring the PFGC scholarship winners for the 2000/2001 academic year. Those recognized included Kendra J. Weaver, Timothy A. Redd, Matthew T. Jewast, and Taryn D. Wentzel, all Penn State students. Kenneth Crisafulli, a Del-

aware Valley College student, also received a scholarship. Congratulations to all!

As I traveled around the state during my tenure, many farmers shared their concerns and ideas regarding the current agricultural climate. Crops are plentiful but prices are down. As many farmers have told me, they are looking at alternative markets. They see the success of forage crops and the opportunities they can provide.

That brings me to the Pennsylvania State University and PFGC Grazing Conference, Feb. 27-March 2. Mark your calendars! Keynote speakers Don Bartlett, Greg Cuomo, and Marvin Hall will be

making the grand tour from Meadville to Grantville and ending in Troy. This program may help you decide if grazing is for you!

On Wednesday, Feb. 28, I will be moderating a unique panel discussion which will include the wives of four farmers who have pursued grazing. I know this will be a very interesting program and will provide us with a unique perspective on today's farm family.

I believe we are at a turning point

in agriculture. In accomplishing our goals, we need to look at what we are doing and determine how we can do it better.

Thank you for the opportunity to represent you as PFGC president. It has been a privilege to represent you on the board of directors. Contact me by phone (717) 299-2571 or by email at PL\_Rohrer@compuserve.com.

Best wishes for continued success!

## Weed Management

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The "Weeds of the Northeast," book available at the extension office is an excellent color reference book to properly identify weeds. The Agronomy Guide, available on the Web and in hard copy at the extension office, details all aspects of forage and pasture management as well as allows one to select the proper herbicide product, rate, date, and time of application for the iden-

tified weed.

Finally, I am available to discuss weed management options as are the new agronomy team in the capitol region. You can reach me at dgvl@psu.edu or call me at (717) 270-4391.

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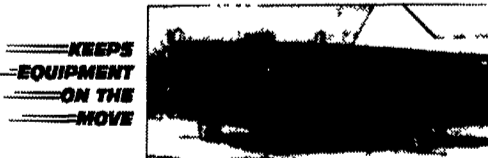
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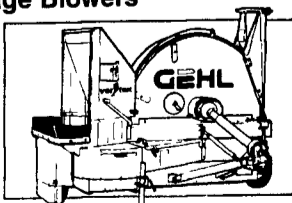


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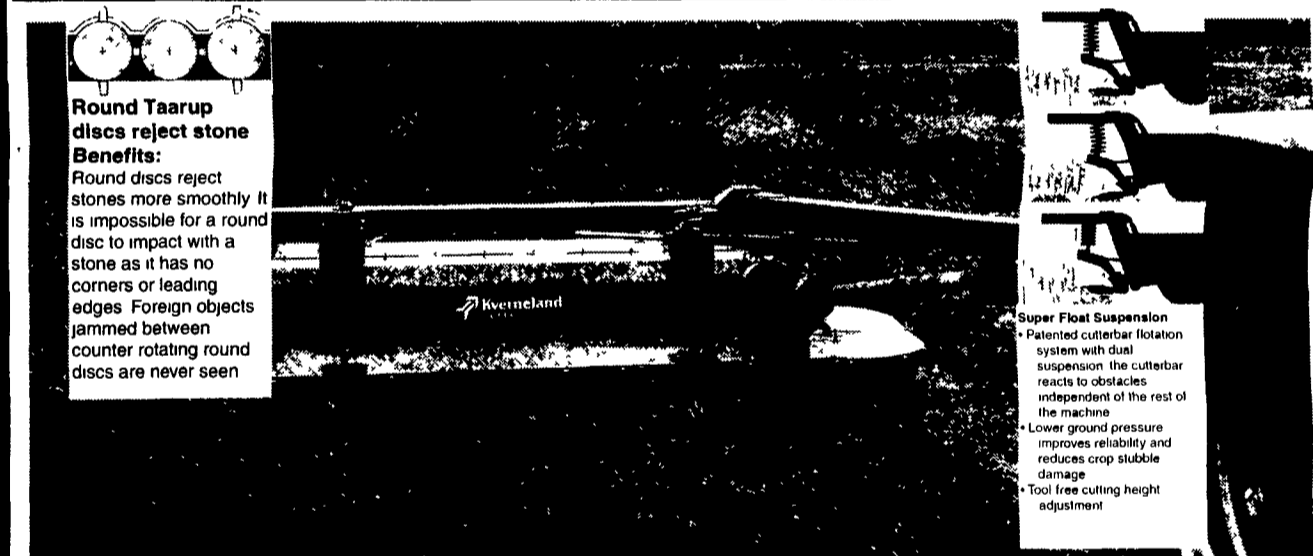
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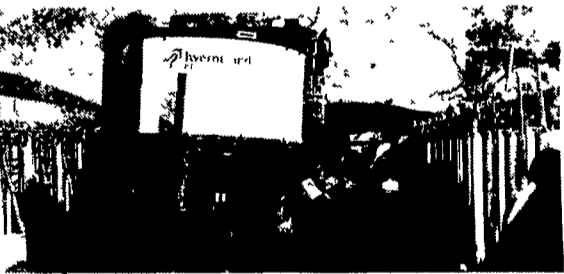
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