



## **MAILBAG**

**April 1, 2014**

**Clover Creek 832-3458**

**Keystone Mill 832-3113**

[www.millhillag.com](http://www.millhillag.com)

### **Happy Easter!**

We wish you and your family a blessed Easter season. We all look forward to spring and the new life it brings all around us. It is our hope that you also experience new life in Jesus for yourself.

### **Chemical requirements**

This is a reminder to anyone who purchases restricted use (RU) chemicals. **Each time** you pick up or take delivery of RU Chemicals, we need your photo ID and pesticide license. Another new difference is that if the licensed applicator is not the one picking up or taking delivery of the products, then the licensed applicator needs to provide a letter stating the person who is allowed to pick up or take delivery, and that person must provide photo ID. We are requesting that if you are a licensed applicator, you stop by Mill Hill and allow us to copy your photo ID and pesticide license to keep on file here. We will also be providing you with a form letter that you can use to allow another person to receive your products. If you have any questions about these procedures, please call us and talk with Denny, Alan or Sarrah. Thanks in advance for working with us on this issue!

### **Saturdays at Clover Creek**

Now that it is spring, our Saturday hours at the Clover Creek location have increased. We are open 8am-3pm on Saturdays through the end of July. We hope to see you here!

### **Mill Hill Royal Calf Starter**

Introducing the newest feed at Mill Hill- **Royal 22% Calf Starter!** We are now stocking this feed at both locations. This yummy calf starter is medicated with

Rumensin and is balanced to give your calves a terrific start in life. Pair it with our CertiFeed milk replacer, and watch your calves bloom! Stop by and try a bag today!

### **Tracking Seed Lot Numbers**

We would like to remind you that when planting this spring, it is advisable to keep a record of the lot number (or just keep the tags from the bags) of the seed you plant in each field. This is important for several reasons. One, if there would be an issue with the crop, our seed suppliers can more easily track the origin if they have the lot number. Second, with the future of GMO labeling and tracking, this is a good habit to get into. No, it is not required, but we suggest that you make it part of your planting record routine.

### **ClariFly available at Mill Hill!**

The onset of warmer weather reminds us that flies will soon be active on our farms. This year, why not try a different method of fly control? ClariFly is a feed-through fly control product for cattle that inhibits the development of house flies, stable flies, face flies and horn flies in the manure of treated beef and dairy cattle, but is not effective against existing adult flies. For the best control, start feeding ClariFly early in the spring, 30 days before flies begin to appear, and continue feeding throughout the summer and into the fall until cold weather restricts fly activity. There is no milk or meat withdrawal for ClariFly. ClariFly is a chitin inhibitor, which means it only works on animals/insects that have chitin, which is part of the hard exoskeleton of the fly. This makes it safe to use as part of your IPM program, because it will not harm parasitic wasps. The dosage of ClariFly is proportional to the animal's body weight. Please contact Sarrah at Mill Hill for help in determining the amount of ClariFly to add to your feed. We will be adding ClariFly to the new Mill Hill Royal Calf starter to help you begin to control the flies around your calves.

### **Seeds, onions & taters, Oh My!**

Stop by Mill Hill to plan your garden! We have our seeds, onion sets, and seed potatoes ready to go! Pick up a garden planning

guide, some fertilizer, lime, potting soil and any tools you may need to be successful!

## **Dairy Recipe**

Spring is a time for new beginnings. Everything around us becomes vibrant and full of life. Add dairy to your meals to make them more vibrant. With 9 essential nutrients like calcium and potassium, you can help keep your body feeling great. Why not try this delicious recipe for Easter morning; I'm sure it will become a family favorite.

From Katherine Orczeck, 2013/2014 Blair County Dairy Princess.

### **Make Ahead Sour Cream Coffee Cake**

- ¾ cup butter, softened
- 1 cup white sugar
- 2 eggs
- 8 ounces sour cream
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ¾ cup packed brown sugar
- ½ cup chopped pecans
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Grease and flour a 9x13 baking pan. Beat butter and white sugar in a bowl with an electric mixer until light and fluffy, about 2 minutes. Beat eggs and sour cream into butter mixture until smooth. Whisk flour, baking powder, baking soda, nutmeg and salt together in a bowl until thoroughly combined, stir into the sour cream mixture to make a batter. Pour the batter into the prepared baking dish. Mix the brown sugar, pecans, and cinnamon in a bowl, sprinkle the mixture over the batter. Cover the baking dish with plastic wrap and chill 8 hours to overnight. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Remove plastic wrap from the dish; bake until a toothpick inserted into the center of the coffee cake comes out clean, 35 to 40 minutes.