# GREEN AND YELLOW SIGN LETS DRIVERS KNOW "DEERES" ARE IN THE AREA

#### Deere Crossing Sign Is A Hit With "Green" Farmers

One glance at this new highway sign is enough to tell you that the famous John Decre logo of a deer in mid-jump now has a new meaning - all in fun, of course.

Jim Graybeal, who farms near Finley, Kty., came up with this stenciled green and yellow sign that you can put along the road or highway in front of your farm. The 24 bu 20-in. sign has stenciled lettering that reads "Caution: Deere Crossing" to let drivers know there are "Deeres" in the area.

"I got the idea for the sign last year when our state highway department repaved the highway that runs in front of my Dad's house," says Graybeal, who farms 90 acres and is a full-time construction foreman. "Ever since they repaved the highway, everyone thinks they can drive at least 75 mph which makes it very dangerous to cross the road with farm machinery. My dad lives at the top of a hill and owns land on both sides of the road. He's strictly a John Deere man and owns seven Deere tractors and two Deere combines. I was trying to think of a warning sign that he could use to slow down traffic. After I put up the sign people started asking me if I'd make them for sale. The lettering on the sign is the same lettering that was found on signs placed in front of Deere dealerships in the old days."

The sign is constructed of 1/2-in, thick outdoor sign board and is painted with genuine Deere enamel paint. There are two coats of green on both sides and two coats of

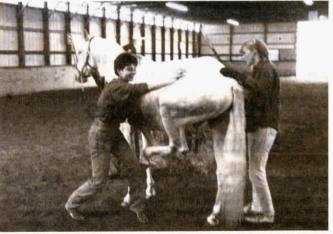


New highway sign, which uses the Deere logo, lets drivers know there's Deere equipment in the area.

yellow on the letters. Sells for \$29.

He also offers two others signs. One reads "I Luv John Deeres", and the other reads "I Luv Two-Cylinders". Both are 8 in. wide and 24 in. long and sell for \$14 apiece.

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#### LATEST HEALTH BREAKTHROUGH FOR HORSES, CATTLE, HOGS, DOGS

### Chiropractor Works On Pets, Livestock

Livestock producers and pet owners can solve some of their animals' health problems by combining the expertise of a vet and an animal chiropractor, according to Dr. Julie Kaufman, one of only 20 certified animal chiropractors in the world.

Kaufman practices animal chiropractic work on horses, cattle, hogs, and dogs.



Muralist Gary Butzer used oil-based enamel paints to create a mural of Ziegler's three baby grandchildren on side of metal building.

#### 12 BY 20 PAINTING ON MACHINE SHED SHOWS HER 3 GRANDCHILDREN

# Mother's Day Mural Was A Big Surprise

Frank Ziegler came up with an extra-special Mother's Day gift this year for his wife Mary. He hired an artist to paint a 12 by 20 mural of her three baby grandchildren on the side of a machine shed.

The Zieglers farm near Fairfax, Minn. Over a 6-week period last July and August, three grandchildren were born to three of their eight children. Frank decided to commemorate (he event by hirring muralist Gary Butzer of Morton, Minn., to create a larger-than-life portrait.

Working in cold and rainy weather, Butzer worked over a 4 to 5 day period, using oilbased enamel paints on the side of the metal building. Mary never caught on since the building isn't visible from the house. Whenever they drove by the building on the

way to town, Frank would distract her so she wouldn't spot the painting.

Butzer, who has worked widely throughout southern Minnesota creating works of art on farm buildings, worked from a photograph to create the scene. "It was an unusual job because the subject was babies. Usually farmers want a wildlife or farm scene of some kind," says Butzer, who creates original scenes for most of his murals working together with his farmer-customers. Cost for a barn-size mural is negotiable depending on the scene and the size, but he says the price is usually under \$1,000.

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She's a member of the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association, which was formed two years ago by Dr. Sharon Willoughby of Port Byron, Ill. According to Kaufman, animal chiropractic work may be performed only under veterinary referral and supervision. It's a new idea that she says will become more popular.

"Veterinary chiropractic medicine offers a natural, drug-free approach to an animal's total health care," says Kaufman, who works with about 30 Wisconsin veterinarians. "Animal and human skeletal systems are similar except that one is erect and the other on four legs. Both skeletal systems serve as conduit for nervous systems between the brain and organs. When something in the skeletal system is out of alignment, nerves are squeezed and ailments result."

About 90% of Kaufman's practice is done on horses and dogs. Horses can be treated for spinal misalignments which can lead to chronic lameness, gait abnormalities, hock pain caused by poor shoe trimming, or back pain caused by the way a rider mounts or rides the animal or by a poor saddle fit. Some cattle may benefit if they're lame, down, or have problems caused by pressure on the joints during birth. Lame hogs may also benefit in some cases.

"Horses have a large skeletal system so it's easy for a trained eye to see a misaligned vertebra," says Kaufman. "I'm frequently asked, 'How in the heck do you adjust a horse?' It takes only 10 or 15 lbs. of pressure to adjust a joint so it's not a matter of using 2 by 4's or mallets. I may need some hay bales to stand on but for the most part the work is easy for a well-trained person."

Kaufman is required by state law and American Veterinary Medicine Association guidelines to work only in conjunction with licensed veterinarians. She and other animal chiropractors are setting up national standards for animal chiropractors. "Too many animals are hurt by bad chiropractic work where more force is used than is necessary. I recommend that you don't use an animal chiropractor unless he or she is certified by the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association. Certified animal chiropractors have gone through one year's worth of additional training in addition to obtaining a veterinarian license or chiropractor license."

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