



### **Wallace Institute Board Elects Five New Members**

The Wallace Institute's Board, at its mid-year meeting held recently in Berkeley Springs, W.V., elected five new members who will start their terms in March, 1994. On the day preceding the meeting, the Board also toured the organic-certified farm of Board member Ward Sinclair, and the dairy farm of Richard Mosemann, who uses an innovative rotational grazing system.

The new Board members are: **Dr. Cornelia Butler Flora**, Professor and Head, Department of Sociology, Virginia Polytechnic and State University, and former Assistant Professor at Kansas State University; **Dr. James William Gibbons**, owner of a family-run small fruit and vegetable farm in Ozark, AR, and former Senior Rice Scientist, Centro Internacional de Agricultura Tropica, Colombia, South America; **Sister Esther Nickel** of the Religious Sisters of Mercy, Jackson, MN; Ph.D. in agronomy, and manager of a student learning center for practical farm ex-

perience; **Kenneth J. Taylor**, Executive Director of Minnesota Food Association, and former Chair, North Central Region Administrative Council, USDA SARE Program; and **Gregory C. Watson**, Eastern Regional Director, The Nature Conservancy, and former Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Food and Agriculture.

### **Members of Wallace Institute's President's Council Named**

Kate L. Clancy, President of the Wallace Institute, has announced the members of the 1993-1994 President's Council, formed three years ago to provide guidance and support for Wallace Institute activities in promoting a more sustainable agricultural system in the United States and abroad. Members are: Dr. Jill Shore Auburn, University of California, Davis; Dr. Charles Benbrook, Benbrook Consulting Services; Norman A. Berg, Washington Representative, Soil and Water Conservation Society; Hon. Bob Bergland, Ex-

ecutive Vice President and General Manager, National Rural Electric Cooperative Association; Hon. George E. Brown, Jr., U.S. House of Representatives; Ron Ellermeier, farmer, Glenvil, NE; Robert Gray, Resource Management Consultants; Ralph Grossi, President, American Farmland Trust; Dr. R. Jim Hildreth, Elmhurst, IL; Ms. Dana Jackson, Minnesota Food Association; Dr. Dennis R. Keeney, Director, Leopold Center, Iowa State University; Dr. Fred Kirschenmann, Kirschenmann Family Farms, Windsor, N.D.; Hon. Patrick J. Leahy, U.S. Senate; Dan Martin, Director, World Environment and Resources Program, MacArthur Foundation; Dr. Ned S. Raun, Stillwater, OK; Ronald L. Rosmann, farmer, Harlan, IA; R. Neil Sampson, Executive Vice President, American Forestry Association; Edward Sills, Pleasant Grove Farms, CA; Dr. Karl N. Stauber, Vice President—Program, Northwest Area Foundation; Dr. David G. Topel, Dean, College of Agriculture and Director of Experiment Station, Iowa State University; and Dr. Stephen Viederman, President, Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation.

### **Committees Elected at National Sustainable Ag Council's First Meeting**

The election of four standing committees was among the actions taken at the first meeting of the National Sustainable Agriculture Advisory Council, held recently in Omaha, Nebraska. The Council spent most of its first meeting day on a sustainable agriculture farm, research, and education tour, including a visit to the farm of Ron and Marie Rosmann in Harlan, Iowa; it then participated in a sustainable agriculture forum, which included discussions about the Southern Sustainable Agriculture Working Group and the Agriculture Conservation and Environmental Center. The second day's activi-

ties included a review of proposed USDA policy on sustainable agriculture, a SARE program overview, and reports on selected Regional SARE projects.

Members of the four standing committees are: **Executive Committee:** Chair, James E. Horne, Oklahoma; Raymond F. Eid, Delaware; Frederick L. Kirschenmann, North Dakota; Kate Burroughs, California; and Ben Burkett, Mississippi. **Committee on Strategic Planning:** Chair, Frederick L. Kirschenmann; Robert B. Anderson, Pennsylvania; Raymond F. Eid; Jackie P. Judice, Louisiana; and Tim Rose, Kansas. **Committee on Recom-**

**mendations and Reporting:** Chair, Kate Burroughs; Leland L. Leachman, Montana; Lorraine Merrill, New Hampshire; and Sandra Schlicker, Washington, D.C. **Committee on Communications:** Chair, Ben F. Burkett; Michael Brusko, Pennsylvania; Stanley E. Howell, Illinois; and Madeline Mellinger, Florida. According to regulations released in May, 1992, the Council is a statutory committee authorized by the Food, Agriculture, Conservation, and Trade Act of 1990; it was established to "advise the Agriculture Secretary in matters related to the SARE Program."