

Area Bout Next, April 29

2 County FFA Contests Held

Garden Spot, Warwick and Ephrata High School FFA chapters grabbed the four winning spots in the county FFA public speaking and parliamentary procedure contests.

The winners will compete in the area contest at 7 p.m. April 29 at Garden Spot High School, New Holland.

In the county public speaking contest Wednesday at Warwick High School, Litzitz, Gerald Martin, speaking in his home auditorium captured first place for Warwick with the subject, "World Without Hunger."

In a parliamentary procedure

contest the judges said later was very close. Grassland Chapter of Garden Spot High School took first place, edging out Cloister Chapter of Ephrata and Solanco Chapter.

But under area contest rules the first two teams and individuals compete in the area contest.

That keeps Cloister Chapter hopes alive in the area contest and Alan Maclay of Grassland Chapter will have a spot in the area public speaking contest. Maclay placed second on "Training Today — Alive Tomorrow," a speech on the importance of training in staving off world hunger.

Members of the winning Grassland parliamentary procedure team were Ken Fox, president, Nelson Martin, secretary, Martin Good, reporter, Barry Martin, student advisor, Doug Weinhold, vice president, Ken Redcay, sentinel, and Gary Stauffer, chaplain.

Members of the second place Cloister parliamentary procedure team were Jeff Pfautz, president, Dennis Martin, secretary, Clark Stauffer, reporter, Dale Gloff, student advisor, Tom Bolinger, vice president, Galen Hackman, treasurer, David Horning, sentinel, and Jay Zimmerman, chaplain.

Other FFA chapters participating in the parliamentary procedure contest were Solanco, Warwick, Penn Manor, Garden Spot (Lampeter-Strasburg), and Manheim.

Also in the public speaking



The judges admitted they had a difficult time picking a winner for the parliamentary procedure contest. Here, several minutes after all the teams had finished, the judges study their scorecards attempting to reach a decision. Left to right

are: Harvey A. Smith, vocational education consultant in Dauphin and Schuylkill Counties; Jerry Scheaffer, PP&L farm representative, and Robert Gregory, Miller and Bushong dairy specialist.



Gerald Martin
Public Speaking Winner



Congratulating themselves, members of the winning Grassland FFA Chapter parliamentary procedure contest are, left to right, Doug Weinhold, vice president; Ken Fox, president, and Nelson Martin, secretary.

Persons Using Phosphates Urged to Get Blood Test

"For your own sake and the safety of your men handling the phosphate insecticides, we suggest that blood tests be made to determine the cholinesterase level, so that your doctor will have a guide for future reference," reports James K. Rathmell Jr., Penn State floriculture and nursery agent.

He said, "This test is given periodically to the USDA entomologists at Beltsville and by chemical companies to employees who come in contact with organophosphates."

He explained, "Cholinesterase is an enzyme, normally present in our blood, which regulates the action of our muscles, breathing and central nervous system. Constant exposure to or use of phosphate insecticides can inhibit the

action of cholinesterase, with serious consequences.

"Persons handling phosphates such as parathion, tepp, Thimet, Diazinon, Vapona, Cygon, malathion, Dibiom, Meta-Systox R, Systox sulfotepp (Dithio), schradan (OMPA) and DiSyston should obtain a cholinesterase test," which is normally conducted by the larger hospitals for about \$5 to \$10.

Rathmell said the blood test should be taken under normal conditions "so that the results can be used as a guideline in case of accidental exposure or as a check on future cholinesterase levels."

Rathmell concluded, "Florists and nurserymen have an excellent outstanding safety record as far as these materials are concerned. Let's keep it that way in the future."

contest were Larry Hoist of the Grassland chapter, third with a speech entitled "Gasp" on air pollution, three others with unannounced positions, Mark Wagner, Penn Manor, "Our Endangered Nation, Tragedy of Modern Living", Marvin Caskey, Pequea Valley, "Needed — Aid to Our Wildlife," and Adolph Bensinger, Solanco, "Farm Safety."


Judges for public speaking were Ed Lawton, assistant county superintendent of schools and Stanley Musselman, farm representative from Lancaster County Farmers National Bank, Lancaster.

Parliamentary procedure judges were Jerry Scheaffer, PP&L farm representative, Robert Gregory, Miller and Bushong dairy

specialist, and Harvey A. Smith, vocational education consultant in Dauphin and Schuylkill Counties.

In a summary following the parliamentary procedure contest, Smith said the teams did "a fine

job" and the judges had difficulty deciding the winner. He warned against losing penalty points for going overtime and the need to speak loudly enough for everyone to hear. Uniform dress was also stressed.



Lancaster Farming

SECOND SECTION

Young Farmers Volleyball Night

The annual Southeastern Pennsylvania Young Farmers Volleyball Tournament was held at Ephrata High School, Thursday evening, April 2.

There were 78 adult farmers and five advisors representing Kutztown, Manheim, New Holland, Penn Manor, and Ephrata Chapters.

Extra team members from Manheim and Ephrata made up a sixth "hybrid" team designated as "the odd-balls."

Each team played five short games in order to determine the champion team and team placings.

The champion trophy went to Ephrata with 60. The "odd balls" placed second with 51. Kutztown, third, New Holland fourth and Manheim and Penn Manor tied for fifth place.

Much fun and fellowship was enjoyed. The Manheim Chapter volunteered to host the 1971 tournament, reported Charles Ackley of the Ephrata Young Farmers.

Richard Dean of the Ephrata High School Physical Education Department was rules consultant and official for the championship game. Sergeant Harold Greenly of the Ephrata Borough Police Department served as mediator.

The Ephrata Chapter hosted the event and provided refreshments and slides after the tournament.



Hustling for the ball at the recent Young Farmers Volleyball Tournament at Ephrata High School.

Holstein Tour Draws 180

Some 180 persons in four buses participated in the Lancaster County Holstein Tour of the Maryland Eastern Shore April 2.

Conducted by the Lancaster County Holstein Friesian Association, the all-day tour left Lancaster Shopping Center and stopped at Herr's Potato Chip Plant at Nottingham.

Then the 2,000-acre farm of Edwin Fry, National Holstein director at Chestertown, was touted. A scheduled tour of Rem-

ington Arms a private game preservation was cancelled due to weather, but a film was shown at Fie's.

Despite a heavy downpour of rain, an outdoor fish fry was held on the Eastern Shore.

The farm of Carl Leonard at Kennedyville was touted. His is one of the high producing herds in Maryland and includes a 100-stanchion barn with many labor-saving methods.