

Cloister FFA Holds Banquet

Jay Zimmerman received the Star Red Rose award at the eighth annual Cloister FFA Chapter parent and son banquet at Ephrata Area High School recently.

Zimmerman Ephrata RD1, a junior, has a large farming program including dairy and veal.

Other top award winners were Tom Bollinger, Lititz RD4 the Chapter Star Farmer, and Russell Kline Reinholds, the Star Greenhand.

The following Foundation Awards were presented, agribusiness, Glenn Leininger, agricultural mechanics, Clayton Zeiset, crop farming, Dennis Martin dairy farming, Nelson Weaver, farm safety, Jay Zimmerman forestry, Barry Steffy, home improvement, Gerald Musser.

Livestock farming, Kenneth Sensenig, ornamental horticultural, Kevin Burkholder; placement in agricultural production, David Hating; poultry farming, Lowell Sensenig, public speaking, Clark Stauffer.

Natural resource development, Robin Musser, soil and water management, Lloyd Zeiset; star greenhand, Russell Kline, chapter star farmer, Tom Bollinger.

Receiving chain animal awards were Russell Kline, Marlin Smoker and Richard Bollinger, dairy calves, Eric Copenhagen and Russell Kline, gilts, Clark Stauffer and Kenneth Long, sheep.

Charles Ackley, chapter advisor, explained that the calves and gilts crams were funded many years ago by Seais. After the original Seais donation, the animals have been passed on from year to year by the recipients, who are responsible for making an off-spring available in succeeding years, to keep the chain intact.

The chapter itself started the sheep chain last year, Ackley said.

Honorary Chapter Farmer Awards were presented to Carl Graybill, Student Teacher at Ephrata High School; Paul Weaver, local livestock farmer and Alvin Bollinger, local dairy farmer.



Earl Stauffer
State FFA Treasurer

Fredrick Whitley, music teacher at Ephrata High School, Dr. Walter Trumbauei, local veterinarian, Charles Stoner, meats manager of Panty Pride and Richard Messick of Messick Chevrolet, Inc. received outstanding service plaques.

National judging team awards were presented to Rick Pfautz and Nelson Weaver for milk products and to Clark Stauffer and Jay Zimmerman for meats.

Lowell Sensenig received the Lampeter Fan Judging Award a \$25 bond from the Ayrshire Breeders Association.

Keystone Degree Pins were received by Eugene Nolt and Jeff Pfautz.

Record book medals were presented to 11 FFA members in-



Kenneth W. Hoover
Ephrata Principal

cluding gold medals to Kenneth Sensenig, Clark Stauffer, Jay Zimmerman and Dale Martin.

The chapter emphasizes good records as a key to successful farm operation, it was reported at the banquet.

In brief remarks, Kenneth W. Hoover, high school principal, said the only time he ever sees the FFA members is when they ask permission to do something, such as have the banquet. They proceed to carry out the banquet themselves, not asking for a lot of other people to do their work for them, Hoover said.

Earl Stauffer, Ephrata RD1, State FFA treasurer, presented remarks, followed by slides of chapter activities shown by Lewis Ayers and Charles Ackley, chapter advisors.

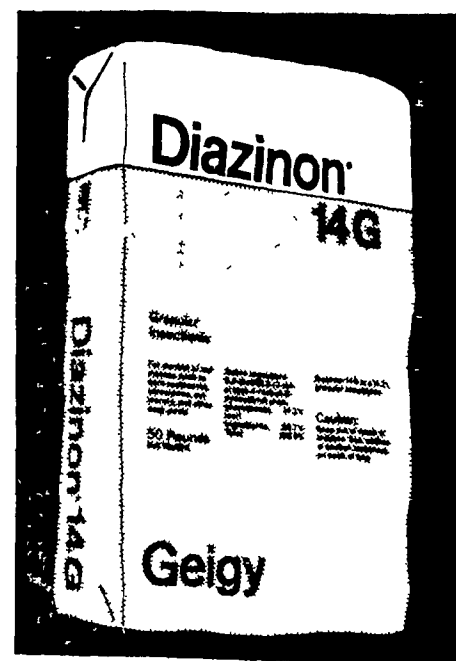
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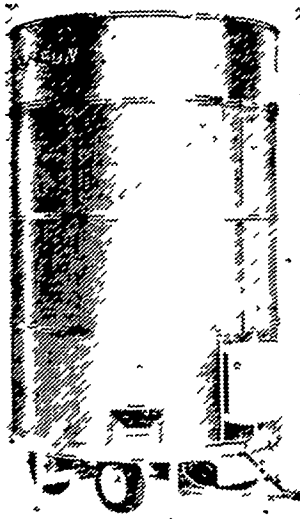
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