

Keystone Farmer Degrees Awarded to Area FFA Members

Numerous area FFA boys will receive the Keystone Farmer degree during ceremonies at the FFA mid-winter Convention in the Forum at Harrisburg on Wednesday. The Convention is held annually in conjunction with the Pennsylvania State Farm Show.

The Keystone Farmer degree honors are received by only one farm boy in 50 Henry Givler, area agricultural consultant for Lancaster and Chester Counties, and Harvey Smith, area consultant in Lebanon County, report that under FFA rules not more than two percent of the State membership can receive this honor.

The degree is given for outstanding achievement in agriculture and rural life. To be eligible, the FFA member must have satisfactorily completed at least two years of instruction in vocational agriculture, demonstrated marked leadership, earned and invested at least \$500 productively, and attained satisfactory achievement in improving the farms efficiency or comfort.

FFA boys receiving the degree Wednesday are as follows:

Lancaster County

Wayne Kreider is the 17 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Kreider, Quarryville RD1. He is a senior at Solanco High School and is president of the Solanco FFA

Chapter. Wayne was also Chapter vice-president last year and Red Rose vice-president for 1971-72.

Wayne judged dairy cattle two years during State FFA week, receiving a gold medal last year. He judged at Springfield, Mass., placing fourth high individual. He was on the parliamentary procedure team two years, and was president of the first place team at the regional contest. He was also a delegate to the winter FFA Convention.

Wayne has a number of registered Holstein dairy animals and has also carried projects in corn and alfalfa. He placed second in the 1971 PCIA corn growing contest.

Wayne is president of his school's Chapter of the National Honor Society and was vice-president of the Solanco Dairy Club. He attends the Mechanic Grove Mennonite Church where he was treasurer of the youth group.



Wayne Kreider
Solanco FFA Chapter

Delmar Weaver, son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Weaver, New Holland RD1, is a 17 year old Grassland FFA Chapter member.

Delmar lives on a 106-acre dairy farm, where much of his time is spent working with the cows. At present he owns three Holstein dairy heifers and plans to expand this number as soon as



Delmar Weaver
Grassland Chapter

possible. He has raised nearly 50 veal calves, 10,000 chickens, 11 market hogs and five acres of corn over the past three years.

He has served the Grassland Chapter as treasurer. He received the Star Greenhand and Star Red Rose awards. In addition, he was an area public speaker, chairman of the Supervised Farming Program committee, State PAFIC delegate, and attended the 1972 National FFA Convention in Kansas City.

Delmar is a member of the National Senior Honor Society and is active in the Weaverland Mennonite Church youth group.

Robin Ginder, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Ginder, Denver RD2, is a Cloister FFA member. He has served the local Chapter as chairman of the community service and scholarship committee.

Robin has developed a herd of 30 Holstein dairy cows on his parents farm. He uses the



Robin Ginder
Cloister FFA Chapter

Pennsylvania Farm Account book for all his records and last year received a gold medal for his record book.

Robin plans to continue with the development of his farming

program after graduation. His goal is to become established in dairy farming.



James Charles
Manor FFA Chapter

James Charles is the 19 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy H.

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Delmar Weaver
Solanco FFA Chapter

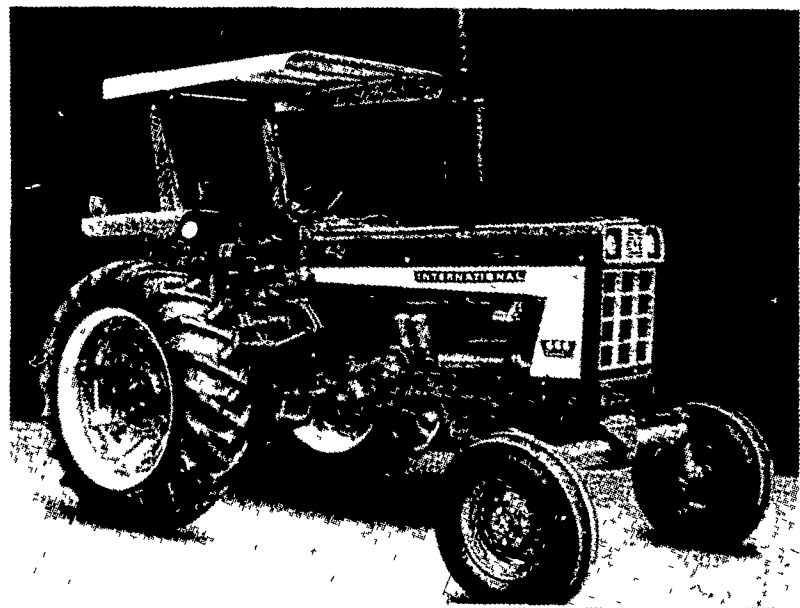
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