

Oley FFA banquet

Don't fail to plan, FFA'ers told

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OLEY — "Strive to achieve your goals! Don't become one of the many millions infected by the disease 'averagitis,'" Kirby Horst, state FFA chaplin, told a group which had gathered at the Oley Valley High School to honor those FFA members who had made noteworthy accomplishments during the past year.

Horst went on to explain how many victims of 'averagitis' become unable to do anything but follow the

crowd. The symptoms include lack of goals, enthusiasm, and dreams for the future. The only cure is personal pride, he explained. To avoid this disease he urged his fellow FFA members to become doers, to make a dream and strive to reach it.

"The people infected with averagitis don't plan to fail," he said, "they fail to plan." The state chaplin urged his audience to take advantage of opportunities, to ask, seek, and knock for them because they will not always be handed out freely.

Proof that goals can be achieved, and that the work involved while trying to attain them is worth the many efforts it may take, became evident during the banquet held on April 18. Awards were presented to many of the FFA members who had made outstanding achievements during the past year.

Receiving awards for County Project Book Evaluation were: Wendy Shaw - third place with two farm enterprises; Brian Althouse - seventh place in two farm enterprises; Michael Eshenour - first place in wildlife conservation; Scott Guinther - third place in wildlife conservation; Edward Sittler - fourth in occupational experience under 500 hours; Calvin Beekman - first in occupational experience over 1000 hours; Steve Imes - second place in occupational experience over 1000 hours; and for submitting the third place scrapbook in the county contest - Scott Guinther.

Wendy Shaw and Steve Imes were also honored for their achievements in the County Public Speaking Contest, placing third and fourth, respectively. In

addition, Wendy received a silver medal for the state project book evaluation contest. Michael Eshenour received a gold medal for his wildlife conservation project book.

Harvey Smith, area vocational consultant, presented FFA Foundation medals to the following: Wendy Shaw - Chapter Star Farmer, public speaking, and dairy production; Calvin Beekman - Chapter Star Agri-Businessman; Steven Imes - Chapter Star Greenhand, and public speaking; Tim Strunk - ornamental horticulture; and Michael Eshenour - fish and wildlife management.

Michael Schmit, district game protector presented Eshenour with a check for placing first in the southeastern district in the state wildlife contest. Schmit told the group that wildlife is a product of the land and can be brought into an area and managed much in the same manner as farmers manage their livestock. He also encouraged his audience to reach out for their goals: "The people on top aren't any better than you," he said, "they just strived until they reached their goals."

Honorary Chapter Farmer Degrees were bestowed on James P. Shaw, Oley; C. Wayne Beekman, Boyertown; and Michael W. Schmit, Shillington. Chapter Advisor, Carl Blank was also given an award by the Chapter for his outstanding contributions and time given to the Chapter.

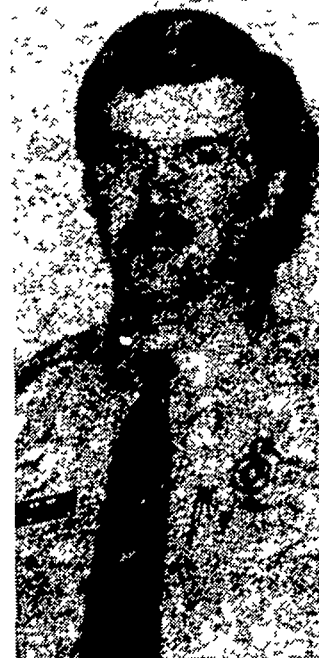
Tim Strunk was recognized for earning the Keystone Farmer Degree and Steven Imes was recognized for placing in the 1977 FFA conservation speech contest. Steve will be given a plaque from the Soil Conservation District for his achievement.



Wayne Beekman



James Shaw



Michael Schmit



Oley FFA'ers whose achievements were recognized at their chapter's recent banquet included, left to right, Michael Eshenour, Calvin Beekman, Steve Imes, Tim Strunk, and Wendy Shaw. Imes was the Star Greenhand, Shaw the Star Farmer, and Beekman the Star Agribusinessman. All five received Agency Awards

Boat licenses due

HARRISBURG — Rep. Noah Wenger, R-Lancaster, urges motorboat owners to apply immediately for their new 1978-79 motorboat license to avoid costly fines.

Wenger outlined important steps to remember regarding renewals and registrations including:

— Only boats with motors are required to be registered.

— Boats can be registered with over 260 issuing agents in Pennsylvania, including county treasurers, many marine dealers and sporting goods stores. The Fish Commission will handle registrations for the first time this year. The Department of Revenue previously processed applications.

— Registration renewal can be done by mail with application renewal forms which are mailed each year.

"To register for the first time, submit all applications, sales tax form RSU 375, and a check of \$4 for boats less than 16 feet long, and \$6 for boats over 16 feet," Wenger said.

Wenger also reminds boaters that important safety rules are enforced to ensure safe boating on Pennsylvania waters.

"Each person on board a boat must wear an approved flotation device. Other equipment required varies according to the type and size boat.

"Because different bodies of water have different zoning and operational regulations, all boat owners should be aware of the local rules of the water they plan to use.

"I urge people to know and obey the rules of boating and, if possible, to take a boating course designed to save lives," Wenger said.

The Pennsylvania Fish Commission supplies a booklet entitled "A Summary of Boating Regulations."

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