

# Ronald Juftes named finalist in FFA contest

**KENNETT SQUARE** — Ronald Juftes, a 20 year old from Kennett Square, has been named the Eastern Regional winner of the FFA Nursery Operations Proficiency Award. He is one of the four members in the nation to receive this title. One of these four will be named the national winner in Nursery Operations at the Thursday morning session, November 9, of the FFA's Golden Anniversary Celebration at the 1978 National Convention in Kansas City, Mo.

Ronald has set his goal to become a commercial greenhouse businessman. Ron's achievements in nursery operations began with his Vo-Tech school training where he learned the different aspects of the greenhouse and nursery operations. Ron says, "My vocational agriculture instructor, Don Bigler, inspired me to expand my greenhouse business and keep accurate records." Besides sales Ron involved himself with landscaping

and outdoors ground maintenance. Ron feels his greatest achievement was "being chosen as one of seven students to attend the Professional Gardener Training Program at Longwood Gardens." This is a two-year program that involves an indepth study in numerous courses relating to nursery operations, with on-the-job training in the Longwood Gardens' facilities.

Ronald served as the Aston Vo-Tech High School Green Thumb FFA Chapter sentinel, reporter, and president. He has been on the banquet committee, and earned Star Greenhand, Chapter Farmer and State Farmer Degree.

His other activities include Who's Who, Pennsylvania Horticulture Society, YMCA, and a recycling club.

The Nursery Operations Award is one of 22 Agricultural Proficiency Awards presented annually by the National FFA

Foundation to recognize accomplishments of FFA members pursuing careers in agriculture.

All FFA members who complete supervised experience programs and classroom instruction in nursery operations as part of their vocational agriculture instruction are eligible for the award. To participate FFA members submit an application on which they record their training and experience in nursery operations. Requirements on the application include an annual breakdown of expenses and income involved with the applicant's nursery operation experience, a complete inventory of equipment owned fully or in partnership by the applicant, a listing of skills and competencies developed, and a list of improved practices in nursery operations. In addition, applicants must show their involvement in FFA and other leadership development activities.

Awards are presneted at

the local level in the form of a certificate and a medal. At the state level, winners receive a check for \$100 from the FFA Foundation, Inc. State winners then compete for recognition in each of the four FFA administrative regions. Each regional winner earns a check for \$250 and a plaque plus a

travel award to the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Missouri. Here the student's nursery operation program is judged against winners from three other regions. The top FFA member in the nation in nursery operations is recognized at the National FFA Convention with a plaque and a check for \$500.

As sponsors of the Nursery Operations Proficiency Award program, Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation provides funds for awards at local, state and national levels, as well as travel awards to the National FFA Convention for regional winners.

## Appaloosa show has Pa. winners

**HARRISBURG** — Runnymede Stables, Harrisburg, Dauphin County, won the champion performance horse banner in the Appaloosa horse show held as part of the 22nd Keystone International Livestock Exposition in the large arena of the Farm Show Complex. Runnymede's wining horse was "Cloud's Classy Lass."

The reserve champion performance horse was "S. Bandit's Image," exhibited by Larry Ward, Felton, York County.

Runnymede took first place in four separate

contests and second place in another show during the day, and Ward took two other first placings.

Runnymede was first in junior english pleasure, youth activity western pleasure, youth activity English pleasure and hunter

under saddle contests, and was second in the junior western pleasure horse. Ward scored first in junior western pleasure horse and junior reining, and was second in junior English pleasure and fourth in KAC 2-year-old western pleasure futurity.

### 4-H banquet Nov. 11

**YORK** — The Central Dairy 4-H Club will hold their first annual Achievement Banquet on November 11, beginning at 7

p.m. Patty York, County Dairy Princess, will give a presentation on milk at the dinner.

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