

## Farm and Home scholarships

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helping." Lamar works on a dairy farm and raises 26 sows of his own. He is a member of the Manor Mennonite Youth Fellowship. "I'm glad about the scholarship, because I needed it," he said.

Winners in the field of nursing are:

Theresa Bufano, 18, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry N. Bufano, Oxford R2. Theresa will graduate from Solanco High School and attend Misericordia College in Dallas. "I chose nursing from talking to a lot of my relatives who are nurses. I like to work with people and have always had an interest in nursing." She is a member of the basketball and track teams, serves on student senate, and is in the National Honor Society. She

also serves as a peer counselor, a reading tutor and is in the instructional program council.

Darlene Groff, 17, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Groff, 2320 New Street, East Petersburg. Graduating from Hempfield High School, Darlene will study nursing at Lancaster General Hospital. She said, "I really want to help people. I've wanted to be a nurse since I was in the hospital in third grade. I am very interested in anatomy and diseases." Darlene is a member of the quiz team of Centerville Brethren in Christ church and works at Orange Julius at Park City, as well as being a member of the health careers club, the Bible club and taking guitar lessons. "I was surprised," she said, "I really need it."

Shirley Marie Herr, 123 Witmer Road, Lancaster, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde H. Herr. Shirley, 17, will graduate from Conestoga Valley High School, and will attend Eastern Mennonite College to obtain her B.S. in nursing. She said her sister influenced her to be a nurse. "I also like the challenge of the medical field, which is always changing, and I like to work with people." A member of the chorus and orchestra, Shirley is in the National Honor Society and is in the Paradise Mennonite Church Youth group.

Sandra Y. Myer, 18, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Myer, 2340 Hobson Road, Lancaster. Graduating from Conestoga Valley High School, Sandra will attend Goshen College.

She said she chose nursing, because, "I really enjoy working with people and would like to meet their needs, physically and mentally. I will also gain personal rewards from helping others. I think my qualities and abilities can best be used in service to others." Sandra is a member of the marching and concert band and was in district and county chorus. She was co-captain of the hockey team and co-editor in chief of the yearbook. She participated in peer counseling, the National Honor Society and is in the Lancaster Youth For Christ. She participates in the youth group at Calvary Independent church. She said, "I was surprised and really excited about getting the scholarship."

Kimberly S. Weaver, Quarryville R2, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Weaver. Kim, 17, will graduate from Solanco High School and will attend Eastern Mennonite College. She said she has wanted to be a nurse "from little up. I

enjoy people and like to make them happy. Surgery and obstetrics fascinate me." Kim was a member of the Red Rose 4-H Beef and Sheep Club for eight years and was a member of the Solanco Community Club. She served as junior 4-H queen in 1974-75 and Senior 4-H queen in 1977-78. She attends the Mechanic Grove Mennonite Church where she teaches Bible School, and is in the chorale and National Honor Society at school. She participated in musicals presented by the school, is hockey manager and is in the instructional program council.

Pamela S. Wiest, 125 East Charlotte Street, Millersville, is the daughter of Dorothy U. Wiest. Pam, 17, will graduate from Penn Manor High School and will attend Indiana University of Pennsylvania for a B.S. in nursing. Pam said she hopes to help relieve some of the tension people feel as they enter a hospital. "I think I will learn to know people and myself better through helping others." She is

president of the Medical Explorer Post, and was vice-president of the Teenage Republicans. She was a member of the student council and served as secretary of the National Honor Society. She played softball, tennis and winter track and worked backstage at plays and served as a performer at the variety show. She is a member of Grace Evangelical-Congregational Church and said, "I was really happy about the scholarship."



## Soil Stewardship

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Johnston explained. "We hope that people practice good stewardship all year round—and not just for this one week, for not only are we dependent on each other but also on the natural resources."

Aaron Stauffer, Chairman of the Lancaster Conservation District, told that he hopes that everyone would take time to take an inventory of how soil stewardship affects everyone in the "Garden Spot of the World and the greatest agricultural nation."

"Soil stewardship requires all of our attention—urban, semi-urban, and farmers alike," he said. "And I hope everyone can participate in the soil stewardship church services and thank God for the good productive soil that this nation has been blessed with and do what they can to protect this number one natural resource which is so basic to all human beings."

Amos Funk, vice chairman of the same group, told that he is particularly interested in the theme "Interdependence".

"There is a great need for the understanding of the interdependence between rural and urban people" he related. "And one of the goals of this Soil Stewardship Week is to make urban people aware of the sediment and erosion problems. More and more, both urban and rural people need to know of the soil washing away."

"Twelve tons of soil per acre per year is eroded each year in Lancaster County" he stated. "This isn't generally known, and people just think that the soil will be here forever."

"And we have to save the farmland," he added. "Farmers may have to give up some of their equity of the land, while

urban people in the future may have to pay more taxes to repay the farmer for this loss of equity."

Joseph Heffner, erosion control specialist for the group, echoed the interdependence idea, telling that not only are people "interdependent on each other, but also on the natural resources including pollution-free water, forestlands, and productive soil."

According to the National Association of Conservation Districts, Soil Stewardship Week provides an opportunity for urban as well as rural people to reflect on the mounting problems facing the U.S. as soil erosion damage and the continuing loss of farmlands to other uses threatens the future productivity.

The first celebration of soil stewardship is said to have taken place 1500 years ago, in France, following a period of bad weather and earthquakes that brought crop failure and widespread hunger. The Bishop of Vienne called on the people to offer thanks to their Creator for the gifts of soil, water, air, and sunshine.

This is the 25th consecutive year that the National Association of Conservation Districts, along with almost 3,000 local Districts throughout the nation, has sponsored Soil Stewardship Week. The reference booklet, "Interdependence" and related materials are available to local churches and community groups through the Lancaster County Conservation District or other area Conservation Districts participating in Soil Stewardship Week. The publications were prepared by the National Association of Conservation Districts.

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