

Catocin FFA Chapter to attend national convention

CATOCTIN, Md. - The Catocin Chapter of the Future Farmers of America held its monthly meeting on October 16 at Catocin High School in Lecture Hall "B". The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Susan Flanigan reported on the Summit Lake Leadership Conference held October 5-7. Chapter officers Barry Burch, Susan Flanigan, Ross Smith and Bessie Cisar attended with FFA members from all across the state of Maryland.

Chapter advisor, Richard Arrington, thanked the FFA members for their assistance during the community show to help make it a success. Anna Stambaugh also thanked those members who helped with the chapter's food booth also during the show.

FFA member, Mike Valentine, was the champion in both the Dairy Class and Fitting and Showing Class during the Community Show. In the Beef Show, Debbie Baust exhibited the Grand Champion Steer and Anna Stambaugh exhibited the Reserve Champion Steer. Becky Keilholtz was the Fitting and Showing Champion and Annette Harbaugh won First Year Fitting and Showing.

Many Catocin FFA members competed in the Frederick Fair judging contests held on September 21. In livestock judging, team members were Susan Brown, Bessie Cisar and Kenny Favorite who placed 11th individual. In poultry judging, the team placed eleventh with members Ross Smith, Barry Burch, and Susan Flanigan, who placed

11th individual. The dairy judging team placed 12th with Mike Hill placing 10th individual and Mike Valentine placing 12th individual.

Anna Stambaugh explained the point system to encourage more members to participate in more FFA activities.

David Favorite summarized the annual Rock Creek School Fair sponsored by the chapter on September 20.

Becky Keilholtz reported on the chapter's float in the Homecoming parade on October 6. The theme was "Preparing for Progress."

Laura Levering reported that members of the chapter traveled to the Damascus Community Show on September 27 to put on a cider pressing demonstration.

Andrea Myers, Bobby

Myers, and Allen Bassler competed in the Junior Dairyman Contest held October 3 during the Eastern National Livestock Show at the State Fairgrounds. The team placed tenth with Allen Bassler placing 19th individual.

The chapter will sponsor a school leadership conference for all clubs and organizations within the school.

Representing the FFA at the conference will be Karen Kline, Lisa Stine, Susan Hill and Mike Valentine.

The county land judging contest was held October 26 and the county livestock judging was held November 2.

Winners of chapter tractor driving contest were John Glass, Mike Valentine, Ross Smith and Terry Shriner.

The National FFA Convention will be held November 6-10 in Kansas

City, Missouri. Members attending from Catocin will be Barry Burch, Susan Flanigan, Denise Sanders, Andrea Myers, Ross Smith, Patty Myers, David Harman, and Kenny Favorite.

PFA officers get no say in policy

CAMP HILL — The officers of Pennsylvania Farmers' Association's Camp Hill staff have no say in policy decisions of the organization.

Last week Lancaster Farming reported the Bradford-Sullivan Farmers' Association is opposing PFA's current policy on the Milk Producers Security Fund.

PFA's current policy calls

for producers to pay the fund's cost; Bradford-Sullivan wants handlers to pay the entire bill.


The influence of PFA's Dick Newpher will not play a role in the organization's decisions on the milk security fund issue as reported, PFA says. As an officer of the organization, he has no say in the farmer-formulated policies of PFA.

Newpher's only role will

be to support such policies as the delegates to the PFA convention adopt, PFA says.

PFA will continue to abide by its present policy unless and until the delegates vote a change.

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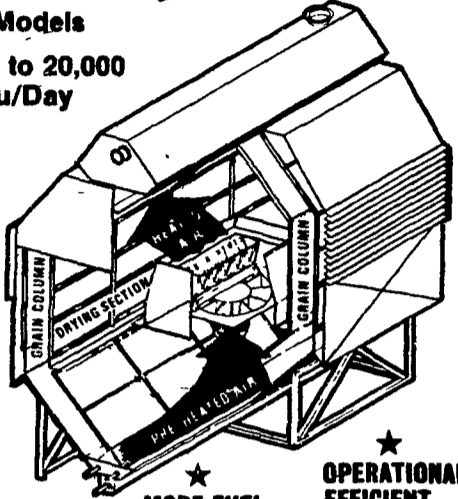


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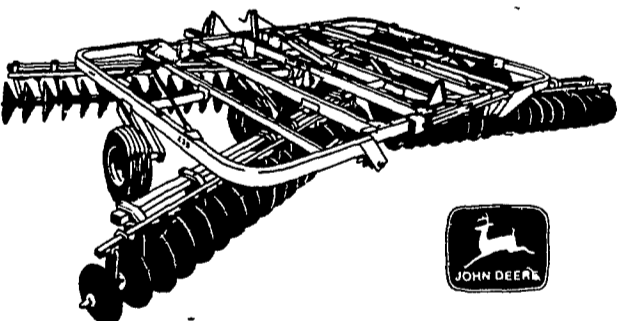
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