

Twin Valley FFA presents awards

ELVERSON — The fifteenth annual Parent Member Banquet was held

Friday in the Twin Valley cafeteria.

Following the ham dinner,

awards were presented to the 1980 Keystone farmers, Lewis Kohl, Thomas Kirk,

and Howard Griest.

The three chapter stars for 1980 were announced. They were: Pamela Trostle, daughter of Ronald Trostle, Green Hills, Star Greenhand; Thomas Kirk, son of Robert Kirk, RI Honey Brook, Star Chapter Agribusinessman; Howard Griest III, son of Howard Griest Jr, RI Honey Brook, Star Chapter Farmer.

Jennifer Snyder received a cash award of \$100 from Meadowwoode Farm to help finance FFA projects.

Foundation medals for excellence in specialized areas were presented as follows:

Thomas Kirk, ag mechanics and ag sales and service; Howard E. Griest, III, beef production and public speaking; Roger Stoltzfus, crop production and dairy production; Ronald Lilley, fish and wildlife management; Linda Robinson, floriculture; Martin Miller, forest management; Sue Ford,

horse proficiency; Tom Hornberger, livestock production; Wade Bernard, nursery production; Donna Devine, ornamental horticulture and outdoor recreation; Tim Stoltzfus, ag production and swine production; Mike Beam, poultry production; Mike Williams, sheep production; Steve Snyder, soil and water management.

Francis Wood, Assistant Superintendent at Twin Valley was recognized with a plaque for his contributions to the ag program. Wood was responsible for the introduction of the Vo-Ag FFA program at Twin Valley.

Receiving awards for their placings in the project book competitions were: Tim Stoltzfus, Keith McVaugh, Tom McDermott and Tom Kirk. Lorri Brynan received a trophy for her first place in the county scrapbook competition.

Also gathering trophies were: Roger Stoltzfus, first place in Berks County silage; Tim Kurtz, eighth place in the state dairy judging forum; Steve Snyder, S.E. Pennsylvania Ayrshire calf award; Steve Kearns, first place county heifer project book; Tom Kearns, Berks County Star Agribusinessman, 1979 also

for first place in the county project book contest; Martin Miller, first overall in S.E. Pennsylvania wildlife contest; and Don Kercher, winner of Berks-Lebanon-Schuylkill FFA dairy foods contest.

Five members received trophies for their placings in the state judging contests last June. They were: Tom Snyder, silver medal in rifle range; Donna Devine, bronze medal in state interview contest and first in Berks-Lebanon-Schuylkill FFA meats identification contest; Linda Robinson, silver medal in state FFA area pleasure horse judging and first place in Berks County horse record books; Scott Stoltzfus, silver medal in state livestock judging and first place amateur livestock judge at Penn State last Spring.

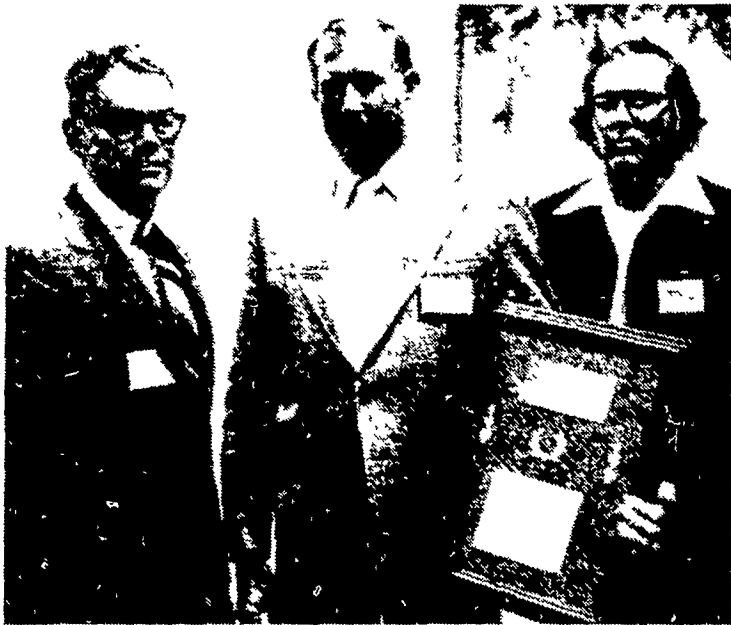
Eight members also received recognition for their state project books. They were: Lorri Brynan, gold medal for fifth place chapter scrapbook; Tom Kirk, gold medal for first place; Tom Kearns, gold medal for third; Tim

Stoltzfus, Steve Kearns and Eric Wright, silver medals; Tom Hornberger and Ken Sweitzer, bronze medals.



Receiving top awards Friday at Elverson were: Thomas Kirk, Honey Brook, Star Agribusinessman; Howard Griest III, Honey Brook, Star Chapter Farmer; Pam Trostle, Mohnnton, Star Greenhand; Scott Stoltzfus, Elverson, 1st Amateur PSU Livestock Judging.

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The banquet will be held at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, March 20, at the Good and Plenty Banquet Hall, Smoketown. Tickets cost \$6 each.

Following the banquet, awards will be presented for outstanding conservation cooperation and storm water

management, along with the Maurice K. Goddard forestry award.

Speaker will be Graham T. Munkittrick, State Conservationist of the USDA Soil Conservation Service. He will discuss a number of topics, including erosion control, farmland preservation, non-point pollution control and how the Soil Conservation Service is assisting the Lancaster County Conservation District and the landowners of Lancaster County.

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