

Grassland Environmental FFA presents awards

BLUE BALL — A total of 175 members, parents and supporters of the Grassland Environmental FFA Program of the Eastern Lancaster County School District gathered in the Blue Ball Fire Hall Friday, May 1, for the chapter's annual awards banquet.

Greetings from the Pennsylvania Association of FFA were extended by Larry Schrawder, of Kutztown, state president.

Schrawder called on the attending FFA members to never be satisfied with the successes they have achieved in their chapter activities, work or in life. He said that each success should be used as a stepping stone to attempt to reach additional successes.

Among the top chapter members honored during the evening were:

Star Greenhand honors were shared by Michael Weaver, in agricultural resources; and Ken Patterson, in agribusiness.

Star Chapter Awards went to John Sweigart, in agricultural resources; and to Maria Lorah, in agribusiness.

State Record Book contest winners in the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Project were Wanda Steffy, second place; and John Sweigart, third place.

Special chapter awards were presented to John Sweigart, as champion hunter; Perry Kern, as champion trapper; and Cindy Good, as top citrus fruit seller.

FFA Foundation Awards for proficiency in various areas of chapter activities during the past year include:

Ninth grade — Steve Ludwig, poultry production; Angela Rabold, soil and water management; Mike Weaver, fish and wildlife management.

Tenth grade — Perry Kern, nursery operations; Mike Kunkle, outdoor recreation; Maria Lorah, sheep production; John Sweigart, forest management; and Karen Zerbe, swine production.

Eleventh grade — Lowell Graybill, fruit and vegetable production; Pam Hoffman, horse proficiency; Karen Huyard, home

improvement, Barb Martin, agricultural processing, Deb Martin, diversified livestock; Lori Martin, floriculture; Susan Martin, agricultural sales and service; Donna Weaver, beef production; and L. Mike Weaver, placement in agricultural production.

Greenhand Degrees, presented by Donald Reed, assistant principal, went to Barb Brubacher, Vicki Brubaker, Scott Burkholder, Jodi Carmen, Allen Fasnacht, Sue Fink, Dody Fox, Maria Gonzalez, Susan Groff, Dave Hartranft, Mike Herrington.

Also, Jill Hess, Sherril Lee, Steve Ludwig, Ken Patterson, Paul Phenicie, Julie Pry, Angela Rabold, Michele Rathvon, Donna Roth, Donna Styer, Michele Styer, Michael Weaver and Steve Weller.

Joseph Campanella, assistant principal, conferred Chapter Degrees on Julie Hollinger, Perry Kern, Mike Kunkle, Maria Lorah, Sylvanus Martin, Wendy Sauders, John Sweigart and Karen Zerbe.

County-level Red Rose Degrees, presented by Donald Sheaffer, principal, were awarded to Lowell Graybill and Deb Martin.

The state-level Keystone Degrees, which were conferred by Lawrence Devine, assistant superintendent, went to Darlene Horning and Wanda Steffy.

Certificates of Appreciation to recognize special support of chapter activities during the past year were awarded to William Houck, president of the Beartown Sportsman Association; Marlin Martin, of Marlin's Taxidermy, Terre Hill; Maurice Harmish, of the school district's custodial staff; and Polly Shirk, bus driver.

Honorary Chapter Degrees were presented to Donald Reed, assistant principal; Ted Fox, District Game Protector; John Yoder, of Yoder's Country Meats; and Mr. and Mrs. John Graybill, parents of Chapter President Lowell Graybill.

A puppet show, presented by Miss Evelyn Messner, concluded the evening's activities.



Mr. and Mrs. John Graybill, parents of Lowell Graybill, president of the Grassland Environmental FFA Program of Eastern Lancaster County High School, New Holland, are among recipients of Honorary Chapter Degrees at the chapter's annual awards banquet attended by 175 members, parents and supporters on May 1.



State Wildlife Conservation Awards for habitat improvement projects are presented at Grassland Environmental FFA Banquet to Wanda Steffy, left, who won a second place; and John Sweigart, who took a third. Shown with the two award winners is Larry Schrawder, State FFA president.



Winner of Star Greenhand Awards at the Grassland Environmental FFA Banquet include Ken Patterson, left, for agribusiness; and Michael Weaver, for agricultural resources.

Dubes gets FFA post

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Cameron C. Dubes has been employed by the National Future Farmers of America Organization as Director of Information.

Dubes, a former FFA member from Iowa, upon college graduation was employed by the Webb Publishing Company as Eastern Regional Advertising Representative. Prior to joining the FFA, he was employed by the Ralston Purina Company as a management trainee in the

company's Iowa Falls Chow Division. Dubes assumed the duties of Director of Information April 6th.

Dubes is a native of Iowa and attended Iowa State University where he earned a B.S. in Agriculture in 1980 with a double major in Agriculture Business and Agriculture Journalism.

In the fall of 1978 Dubes received college credit while working with the National FFA Staff as an Information Intern.



Maria Lorah, left, is the recipient of the Star Chapter Award of the Grassland Environmental FFA Program for agribusiness; while John Sweigart is the winner for agricultural resources.

Dutchmen elect officers

ANNVILLE — New officers for the 1981-82 year were elected by the members of the Little Dutchmen FFA Chapter at Anville-Cleona High School on April 30.

The newly elected officers include Daryl Balmer, president; Brian Sell, vice-president; Ginger Sowers, reporter; Ed Hostetter, treasurer; John Long, chaplain; Mel Keller, secretary; Beth Young, sentinel; and Todd Fies, historian.

A parliamentarian will be elected by the new officers at a later date.

Chapter officers during the past year were Jeff Reigel, president; Daryl Balmer, vice-president; Brian Sell, sentinel; Henry Martin, reporter; Donald Baer, treasurer; Jean Morton, secretary; Ed Hostetter, chaplain; Larry Morton, parliamentarian; and Sam Howard, historian.

