

60 Greenhands inducted into Grassland Environmental FFA

NEW HOLLAND — Sixty first-year Greenhands were recently inducted into the Grassland Environmental FFA during initiation ceremonies at the Eastern Lancaster County High School in New Holland.

Co-advisors for the Environmental FFA are vo-ag instructors Philip Oglue and Robert Lauffer.

In addition to the induction of the Greenhands, the program included recognition of chapter degree recipients and officers for the present school year.

Chapter degree recipients include Julie Hess, Jodi Carmen, Sharon Bowman, Julie Pry, Mike Weaver, Lamar King and Chuck Platt.

First officers include Karen Zerbe, treasurer; Sharon Bowman, secretary; John Sweigart, president; Maria Lorah, vice president; Marj Zimmerman, reporter; Mike Weaver, chaplain; Lamar King, student advisor; and Mike Kunkle, sentinel.

Second officers are Linda Good, treasurer; Julie Pry, secretary; Brian Hurst, sentinel; Chris Schnader, vice president;

Christine Weaver, reporter; Julie Hess, chaplain; Julie Hollinger, student advisor.

Greenhands honored during the ceremonies were:

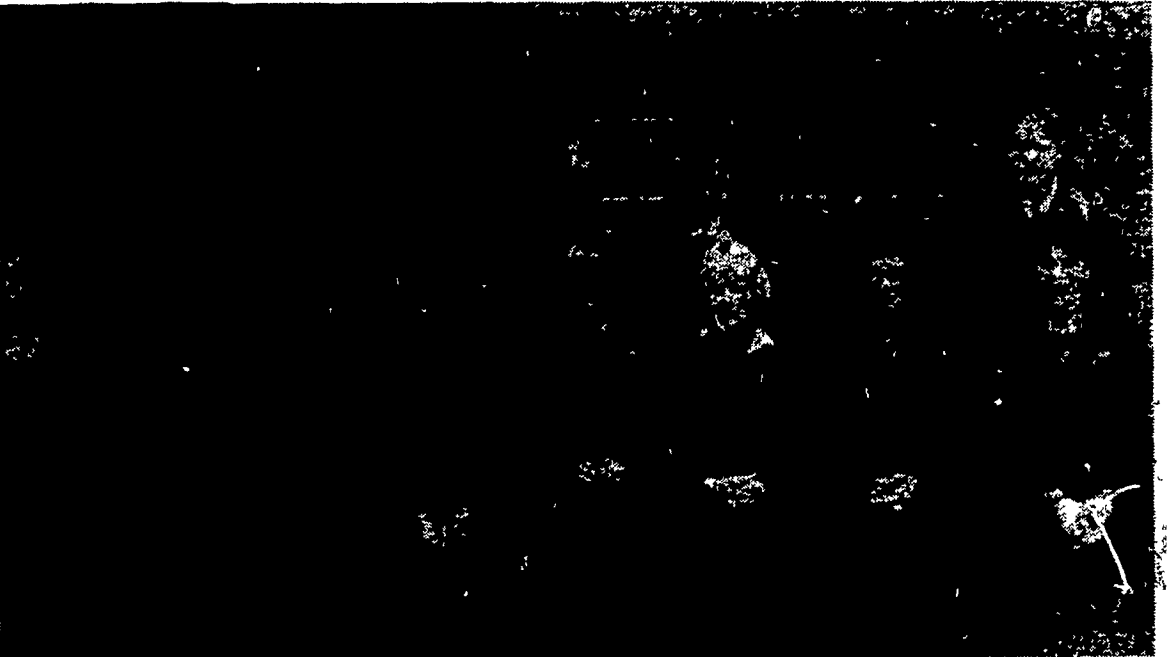
Tony Edgell, Tracy Fox, Dave Fulton, Mandy Galligan, Randy Gangaway, Carol Horst, Doug Longenecker, Joel McComsey, Steve Yacona, Lucy Negron, Doris Sandoe, Scott Sweigart, Kim Zdrosky, Dave Brendle, Steve Diem, Ken Eckenroth, Julie Hess, Rody Kurtz, Jodee Miller, Shawn Mohler, Dean Moore, Shelby Patterson, Mike Sau.

Also, Chris Schnader, Richard Solbrig, Marci Ulrich, Lori Brown, Gina Black, Eric Buckwalter, Frank Daub, Wayne Eller, Sherri Martun, Penny Harmer, Brian Hartranft, Kevin Martun, Paul Wise, Cathy Patterson, Tammy Sauder, Paul Styer, Christine Weaver, Nicole Yoder, Aicardo Zapata, Jim Brenner, Deb Fritz, Linda Good, Eric Hartranft.

Also, Judy Hoffner, Angie Huber, Brian Hurst, Beth Lando, Dale Lorah, Lee Messner, Lisa Peters, Lori Rabold, Kathy Richardson, Kris Snader, Diane Stephens, Yvette Waidley, Tracey Carney and Michele Kuhn.



Chapter degree recipients of the Grassland Environmental FFA include, from the left in front row, Julie Hess, Jodi Carmen, Sharon Bowman and Julie Pry; and, from the left in back row, Mike Weaver, Lamar King and Chuck Platt.



Officer teams have been elected for the 1981-82 school year by the Grassland Environmental FFA.

First officers, from the left, front row, include Karen Zerbe, treasurer; Sharon Bowman, secretary; John Sweigart, president; Maria Lorah, vice president; Marj Zimmerman, reporter; Mike Weaver, chaplain; Lamar King,

student advisor. Missing from photo is Mike Kunkle, sentinel.

Second officers, from the left, back row, include Linda Good, treasurer; Julie Pry, secretary; Brian Hurst, sentinel; Chris Schnader, vice president; Christine Weaver, reporter; Julie Hess, chaplain and Julie Hollinger, student advisor.

King, Weaver tops in wildlife contest

MIDDLE CREEK — Garden Spot High School's Grassland FFA captured team honors and sophomores Lamar King and Mike Weaver took the individual honors at the Lancaster County FFA Wildlife Contest on Nov. 18 at the Middle Creek Wildlife Management Area.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin King, of East Earl, Lamar was awarded a ribbon, first-place plaque, plus a \$25.00 check from the Lancaster County Federation of Sportsman's Clubs.

The contest is open to FFA members in Lancaster County and involves the identification of bird, reptile, mammal, amphibian and fish species. Another part of the test includes identifying bird calls, wildlife foods, tracks and signs of wildlife. A 50-question exam on

wildlife conservation and an evaluation of wildlife habitat completes the contest.

The top 10 teams, in order of finish, were Garden Spot, Warwick A, Warwick B, Elizabethtown B, Elizabethtown A, Manheim A, Elizabethtown C, Manheim B, Solanco and Manheim C.

The top 15 individuals, in order of finish, were Lamar King and Mike Weaver, both of Garden Spot; Dave Spoo, Warwick; Doug Roth, Warwick; Jay Maddox, Warwick; Mike Good, Ken Fanus, Tony Bevel and Chris Horne, all of Elizabethtown; Mike Pflieger and Mark Metzler, both of Manheim; Clay Shreiner, Warwick; Scott McIntyre, Warwick; Sharon Bowman, Garden Spot, and Russ Zellers, Manheim.

A total of 38 students competed.

Cedar Crest awards

LEBANON — Cedar Crest received a Silver National Safety Award and a Bronze National Chapter Award at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City, Mo. Members in attendance were Jeff Zuck, Dave Ludwig, Dwane Gish, Rick Houser, Scott

Eckenrode, Dana Lape, Heidi Peiffer, and Harold Berkheiser, advisor.

Places visited included Purina Research Farms, Tipton FFA Chapter, TWA Overhaul Base, and Allis-Chalmers Gleaner Combine Plant.

Attend national convention



Winners of trips to the National FFA Convention from the Grassland Chapter at Eastern Lancaster County High School were, seated from the left, Scott Bailey, poultry judging contestant who won a bronze medal; Darlene Horning, farm management contestant who won a silver; and John Sweigart, State wildlife winner who served as observer since no national contest is held. Also, standing from the left, Kevin Devine, State FFA treasurer; and Craig Fox, meat judging contestant, who won a bronze. Missing from the photo is Glenn Hartz, ag mechanics, who won a silver.

The six convention words I remember most

(The following account of his first trip to the recent National FFA Convention was written by Mark Weber, reporter for the Grassland Chapter, Eastern Lancaster County High School, New Holland.)

What do I remember most about the National FFA Convention?

No, it's not the massive sea of blue jackets you see everywhere — from the streets of Kansas City to the seats of the huge general sessions.

And, it's not the famous places, such as Lincoln's home or Truman's library, that we visited.

Or the opportunity to talk with fellow FFA'ers from distant places, such as Puerto Rico.

While these and many more experiences will not be forgotten, the most memorable recollection can be summed up in six words.

"Never, never, never, never give up."

For I and the more than 23,000 other FFA members from throughout the nation, these six words were indelibly impressed on our minds by one of the main

speakers, Dr. Norman Vincent Peale.

And Dr. Peale was quoting directly from one of the shortest speeches ever delivered by one of the greatest orators and statesmen of recent modern times, Winston Churchill.

Dr. Peale used the six-word speech by Churchill to illustrate his principal message that faith and perseverance are the two most valuable motivating forces.

I feel that this was a very important message for those of us who set goals in life and in the FFA.

Dr. Peale also told us that we are privileged to have been raised in the best families of America — farm families.

There were other important speakers, too.

I won't forget how Col. David Roeder, one of the Iranian hostages, explained his feelings concerning the American flag.

He told us of the warm inner feeling he got of the scene of the flag draped over the winning U.S. Olympic hockey team as compared to his witnessing it being

burned by Iranian students.

Such a comparison gave me and the other FFA'ers a better appreciation of our country's flag.

And, Olympic swimmer John Nabor gave us a good feeling, too, when he said:

"I want to affect the people who can affect the world."

But, in addition, there are many other things that stand out in my recollection of the trip.

We started out for Kansas City about 11 in the morning on Sunday, Nov. 8. After driving straight through to West Virginia, we stopped and relieved driving tensions by playing a little football.

Our first night was spent in Ohio at a Holiday Inn. Our first special visit of the trip was to the Air Force Museum, where we saw World War I and II planes and uniforms.

Why some of the tires of the planes were higher than I am tall!

Our next stop was Indianapolis and a visit to the Speedway. We saw a few of the winning cars. Do you know that the top speed of the first race in 1911 was 74 mph?

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