

# Kennard Dale FFA presents awards at banquet

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FAWN GROVE — Kennard Dale chapter of the Future Farmers of America opened their annual banquet Tuesday, April 6, with turkey and all the trimmings, wrapped it up with hypnotist Robert Bowers, and in between honored members and special guests at a program brimming with awards.

Top surprise awards for FFA chapter accomplishments went to Greg Fantom, named Kennard-Dale Star Farmer, Star Agribusinessman Mark Flaharty, and president Ben Hushon who won the DeKalb outstanding senior award.

Star Greenhand honors went to a pair of freshmen, FFA'ers Shane Clements and Jon Hash.

Over a dozen members earned chapter foundation awards, provided by the national FFA

organization. They were Clay Miller, ag mechanics; Penny Bowser, ag sales and service; Brian Eckersley, beef production; Todd Warner, crop production; Greg Fantom, dairy production; Sheri Johnson, diversified livestock production; Jim Burkins, fruit and vegetable production; Randy Sizemore, fish and wildlife management.

Also, Todd Warner, poultry; Theresa Smith, horse proficiency; Bill Wilson, placement in ag processing; John Krick; Ron Wilson, swine production; and Brian Zimmerman, soil and water management.

Todd Warner received the Production Credit award, presented to the chapter member maintaining outstanding farm record books. Farm Credit representative Jim Sigler made



Among the top award winners at the annual banquet of the Kennard-Dale FFA were, from the left, Ben Hushon, DeKalb winner; Todd Warner, PCA recordkeeping award; Shane

Clements, Star Greenhand; Greg Fantom, Star Farmer; Mark Flaharty, Star Agribusinessman; and Jon Hash, Star Greenhand.



President of Kennard-Dale FFA Ben Hushon presents honorary Chapter Farmer degree to program boosters Norma Warner and Joseph Hushon.

the presentation, which included a \$50 savings bond.

Honorary chapter awards went to Norma Warner and Joseph Hushon for their volunteer assistance to the chapter.

Top salesmen in three categories were recognized. Shane Clements was high seller of seeds, followed by Todd Warner and Jon Hash. Outselling all other members in citrus was Ron Wilson, topping runner-up Ben Hushon and third-place Jim Godfrey. Best flower bulb salesman honors went to Chuck Miller, followed by Marvin VanHart and Scott Heaps.

Several competitors in team judging at state FFA week earned awards. Members of the

parliamentary procedure team received gold medals. Included were Penny Bowser, Ben Hushon, Ron Wilson, Todd Warner, David Clegg, Scott Cooper, Steve Sliger and Randy Sizemore.

Heidi vonLange took a top gold award in dairy, and Greg Fantom an honorable mention in dairy judging. Small engine contest winners Brian Eckersley and Jim Godfrey took a bronze at state competition, and Brian Zimmerman was recognized as a delegate.

In degree achievements, Greg Fantom was recognized as a state Keystone winner. Todd Warner

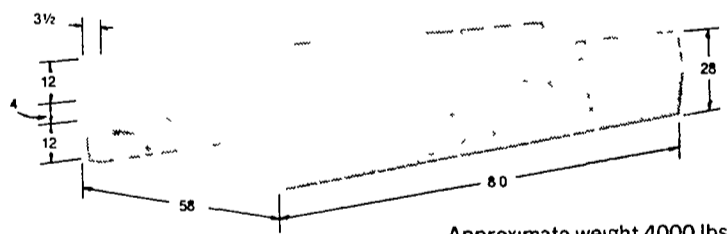
was named star winner in White Rose awards, and other White Rose degrees went to David Clegg, Brian Eckersley, Jim Godfrey, Kevin McFatrige, Theresa Smith, Mark Vaught, and Ron Wilson.

Theresa Smith took gold honors in the state project book competition. Silver awards went to Scott Dickson, Shane Clements, Craig Miller, Todd Warner and Ron Wilson, and Clay Miller earned a bronze medal.

Even vo-ag instructors David Allen and Ralph Travis received surprise awards. Members of the state teams they coached to success presented the teachers with gifts of appreciation.

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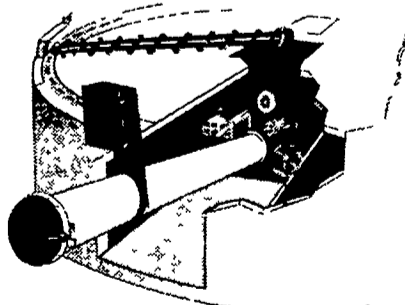
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