Lampeter-Strasburg FFA honors top members

REFTON — Mike Mills and Don Welk were at the forefront of the award winners from Garden Spot FFA of Lampeter-Strasburg High School honored at the chapter's annual banquet on Thursday, March 10, at the Refton Fire Hall.

Mills was named Star Greenhand and the Star Chapter Farmer honors went to Don Welk, who was last year's Star Greenhand.

Other chapter members receiving the Greenhand Degree were Karen Shertzer, Mark

Heiser, Steve Erb, Drew Herr, Dennis Guessford, John Shultz. Bob Sheafer, Albert Howe, Doug Rohrer, Mike Rohrer and Dwight Leaman.

Others receiving Chapter Farmer Degrees were Scott Winters, Dallas Metz, Joe Fisher, Carl Landis, Jim Evans, Michelle Dean, Connie Weaver and Barry Harnish.

In addition, Darrell Mills was honored for receiving his Keystone Farmer Degree and Red Rose Degree recipients honored were

Jay Garber, Randy Houser and Joe Rohrer. Chorus pins were presented to Michelle Dean and Connie Weaver

and Don Welk was honored for his first-place records book in county competition, which received a ninth in state competition.

Freshman citrus sales awards went to Mike Mills, first; and Drew Herr, second. Among upperclassmen, Don Welk was first and Jay Garber was second.

Retiring officer awards were presented by Dick Yencer, chapter advisor, to Darrel Mills, president; Donna Frey, vice president; and Tim Rineer, student advisor.

Donna Rohrer was crowned as the new Chapter Sweetheart.

West Lampeter Fair judging awards went to Mark Heiser and Karen Shertzer, dairy; and Darrel Mills, livestock.

An Honorary Chapter Award was presented to Joe Koehler, metal shop instructor and coach for the chapter's basketball team.

Speaking at the banquet was Mike Pflieger, County FFA Reporter, who has served for the past year as the youth representative on the Lancaster County Agricultural Preserve Board.

A slide show of the past year's activities of the chapter was presented by Donna Frey, last year's sweetheart and chapter vice



Chapter Sweetheart of 1983 for FFA'ers at Lampeter-Strasburg High is Donna Rohrer.

include Don Welk, left, Star Chapter Farmer; and Mike Mills, Grassland FFA chapter honors outstanding members

Top award winners at Garden Spot FFA Chapter banquet

BLUE BALL - A capacity audience of more than 260 filled the fire hall auditorium on Friday, March 11, for the 24th Annual Parent and Member Banquet of the Grassland FFA Chapter of Eastern Lancaster County.

Leading the list of award winners:

Star Greenhands - Brian L. Martin, Floyd Huber and Darryl Weaver.

Star Chapter Farmers --Margaret Herr and David Fisher. Star Red Rose Farmer - Scott

Bailey. Grassland Star Farmer and Lancaster County Bankers Award - Clifford Horning.

High seed salesman - Scott Bailey, first; and Brent Horst, second; and Floyd Huber, first in the Greenhand group.

Foundation award recipients: Leroy Wanner, ag electrification; Ray Schlouch, ag mechanics; Carolyn Witmer, ag processing; Brent Horst, ag sales and service; Lori Fox, beef production; Marlin Mast, crop production; Scott Bailey, dairy production; Clifford Horning, diversified livestock; Gary Martin, fish and wildlife floriculture; Ronald Martin, fruit and vegetable prpoduction.

Lamar King, home improvement; Tom Stoltzfus, horse proficiency; Maria Lorah, outdoor recreation; David Fisher,

placement in ag production; Wade Martin, poultry production; Joan Feinour, sheep production; John Sweigart Jr., soil and water management; Ernest Mast, swine production; Lee Zimmerman, turf and landscape management; Randy Musselman, public speaking; Margaret Herr, public speaking, ninth grade; Nelson Horning, soil and water

management, ninth grade. Foundation award winners in the Greatmand Chapte.

Brian E. Martin, outdoor recreation; C. Dean Weaver, dairy production; Kim Lengel, horse proficiency; Gary Rutt, diversified livestock production; Lisa Ann Martin, sheep production; Glenn Stauffer, ag sales and service; Lori Martin, Extemporaneous public speaking; Bruce Stauffer and Todd Sweigart, ag mechanics; Dwayne Stauffer, ag electrification.

John Eberly, beef proficiency; Mark Yerkes, small animal production; Melody Hurst, turf and landscape management; David Weaver, home and farm improvement; Tony Zerbe and Brian Musser, fish and wildlife management; Shirley Martin, management; Rose Reiff, fruit and vegetable production; school district administration,

production; and Karen Redcay, floriculture.

Featured speaker at the banquet was Mike Pfautz, of the neighboring Cloister Chapter, Ephrata, who is State Eastern Region Vice President.

Honored as Honorary Chapter Farmers were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Witmer, parents of Chapter President Carolyn Witmer, and Wilbur Horning, of the Blue Ball National Bank.

Certificates of appreciation went to Robert Garland, of Hubbard Farms, Inc.; Rick Sauder, of the Intelligencer Journal; Albert Weber, student teacher; Mrs. Betty Herr, Consumer Services Supervisor, Victor F. Weaver, Inc.; Larry Burkhart, 12th grade guest; Stan Deen, 11th grade guest; Howard Benner, 10th grade guest; Ms. Denise Zimmerman-Collins, 9th grade guest; Larry Brown, Weavers; Jacob Musser Jr., Weavers; and Karen Kardos, Kar-Run Western Shop.

Participating in the program from the vo-ag staff were Robert Herr, Clifford Day and Robert Lauffer.

Assisting with the presentation of degrees were members of the Lynford Zimmerman, swine including Robert Weaver, Greenhands; Donald Sheaffer. Lloyd Ruoss, Keystone Degree. Chapter Degree; Joseph Campanella, Red Rose Degree; and L.

Entertainment was provided by Don Dippner, magician.



Clifford Horning, left, is Grassland Star Farmer and Scott Bailey is Star Red Rose Farmer.





Margaret Herr and David Fisher are Grassland FFA Star Chapter Farmers.



Grassland FFA Star Greenhands are Floyd Huber, left, and Darryl Weaver. Missing from photo is Brian L. Martin.