

Pa. FFA picks state contest winners

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But I'm sure as Witmer was installed as state FFA president, this special meaning to her chapter was on the minds of more than one Grasslander — just it was on mine.

Other statewide officers for the coming year include:

Vice President — Vicki T. Baseshore, Mechanicsburg, of the Cumberland Valley Chapter.

Eastern Vice President — Ronald L. Martin, R1 Narvon, Grassland Chapter, Eastern Lancaster County.

North Central Vice President — William McBratney Jr., R1 Troy, Troy Chapter.

South Central Vice President — Duane R. Herr, R1 Hershey, Lower Dauphin Chapter.

Western Vice President — Donald M. Carter, R4 McDonald, H. C. Parkinson Chapter.

Secretary — Tanya E. Green, Washinton Boro, Manor Chapter.

Treasurer — David E. Blank, R1 Parkesburg, Octorara Chapter.

Reporter — Karen N. Ribblett — R1 Stoystown, Johnstown Vo-Tech.

Sentinel — John M. Haldeman, R2 Hummelstown, Lower Dauphin Chapter.

Chaplain — Brandon L. Weary, R1 Newville, Big Spring Chapter.

Witmer in her first address said she was "proud, honored and challenged."

"I'm honored to be your president," she said.

"I'm proud to be an FFA'er.

"And, I feel challenged by the exciting year that lies ahead."

"I challenge each of you," she told her fellow FFA'ers, "to use your God-given talents to their fullest extent and keep on striving toward your goals."

In his final address before a statewide assembly, Michael Dilliard, retiring president from the Penns Valley Chapter, held a bit of a revival meeting and told the blue-and-gold jacketed group:

"We are among the World Champions of Agriculture."

"We are an elite group of young people," he continued.

"We have freedom, responsibilities and opportunities and it's up to us as to what we're going to do with them."

Top placers and their schools in the various contests included:

Ag Mechanics

Paul English, Kane; Tom High, Ephrata; and Guy Humphrey, Reynolds.

Ag Salesmanship

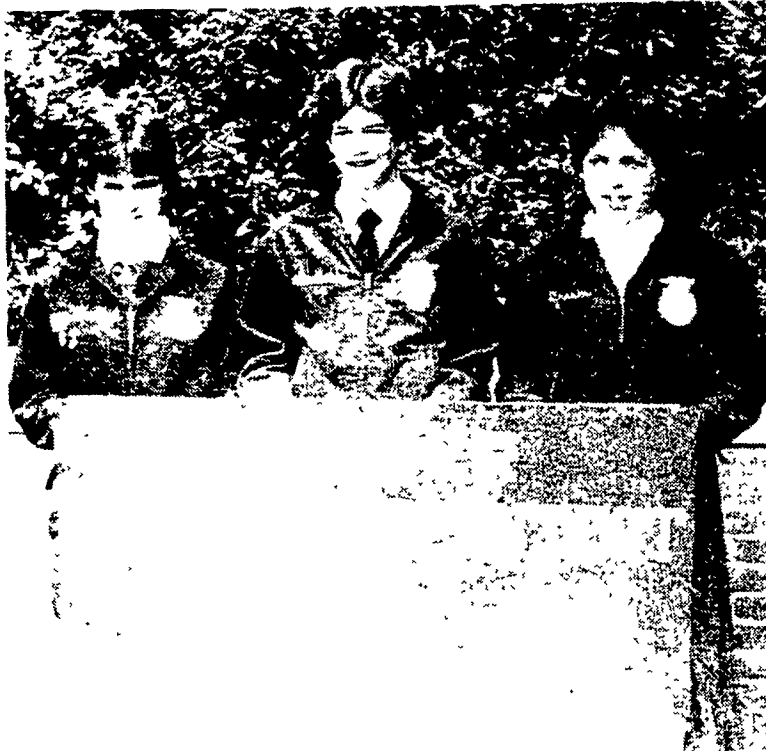
Jay Gorodetzer, W. B. Saul; Bill

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New Officers of the Pennsylvania FFA Association for 1983-84 include, front row from the left, Duane Herr, Vice President, South Central Region; Tanya Green, secretary; Vicki Baseshore, vice president; Carolyn Witmer, president; Karen Ribblett, reporter; Brandon Weary, chaplain; back row

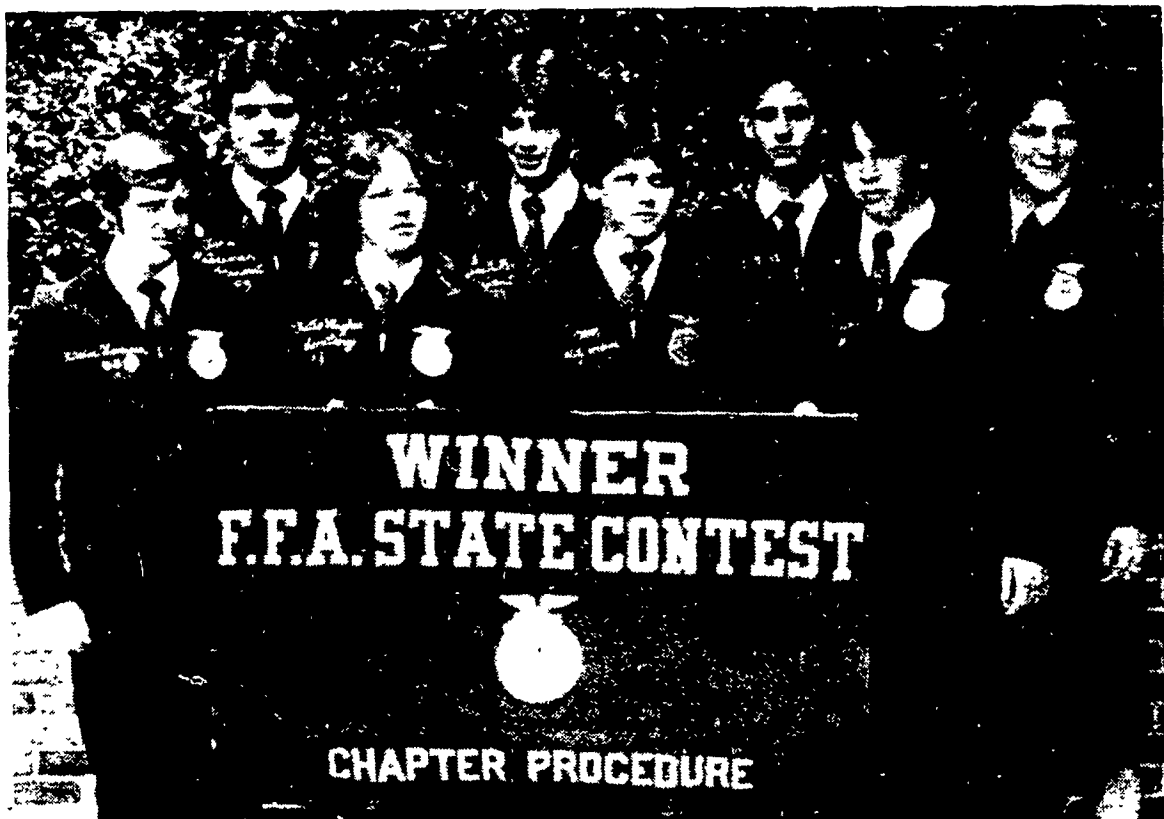
from the left; John Haldeman, sentinel; David Blank, treasurer; Donald Carter, vice president, Western Region; William McBratney Jr., Vice President, North Central Region; Ronald L. Martin, Vice President, Eastern Region.



Dairy Foods winners, from the left, Peggy Kleindienst, Eastern York; John Burkholder, Penn Manor; and Trasee Aument, Penn Manor.



As mechanics winners, from the left, Paul English, Kane; Tom High, Ephrata; and Guy Humphrey, Reynolds.



Parliamentary Procedure team members from Lower Dauphin include, front row from left, Brian Hoerner, Kathy Hughes, Dave Haldeman, Jim Landvater; second row from left, John Haldeman, Duane Herr, Frank Gilbert and Cindy Baker.



Agronomy contest winners include, from the left, Robert Ratuasky, Wilmington; David Bower, Fairfield; and John Stewart, Linesville.