

Manor FFA forming alumni unit

MILLERSVILLE — Seeing an opportunity to promote a greater knowledge of the agricultural industry and support education in agriculture, former members of the Future Farmers of America, parents and others launched a major drive this week in the Penn Manor area to form an FFA Alumni Association.

The aim is to provide a mechanism whereby the Alumni members can actively promote and support the FFA organization, FFA activities, and vocational agriculture.

The local drive is part of a State and National effort currently underway to unite those interested into the FFA Alumni Association.

"Since the FFA Alumni Association is a newly formed organization, those who will join now will be the charter members of the Penn Manor FFA Alumni Association," said Merv Keagy, acting president of the local organizational effort, "and we would like to have as many charter members as possible."

"We seek the help of every potential member in the area to organize and charter the local FFA Alumni Association," said Merv. All former, active, collegiate, or honorary FFA and NFA members,

present and former professional vocational agricultural educators, parents of FFA members, and others interested in the FFA are eligible for membership.

"It's hard to estimate the number of potential members in this area," he said, "But we hope to have at least 20 members by our first meeting."

All are invited to attend a special meeting at Penn Manor High School on Sunday, July 10, at 2 p.m. for the purpose of organizing the local FFA Alumni Association. Anyone who cannot attend is urged to contact Merv Keagy at 684-6186 or Steve Main at 872-5630 for more information.

Lebanon Co. elects FFA officers

LEBANON — Annville-Cleona High School was the site of the Lebanon County FFA officer elections. Two members from each of the five Lebanon County Chapters could run for an office.

The two delegates from Cedar Crest were Jeff Zuck, and Ann Lansberry. Jeff Zuck was elected Vice-President and Ann Lansberry was elected Secretary. They will represent Cedar Crest at future Lebanon County FFA meetings.



The other 1983-84 Lebanon County officers include:

Todd Fies, Annville Cleona, President; Tom Inman, Annville-Cleona, Treasurer; Marlin Deavon, Northern Lebanon, Sentinel; Karl Smith, Elco, Chaplin; Heather Hernley, Northern Lebanon, Reporter; Tammy Weaver, Vo-Tech, Asst. Reporter; Scott Condran, Elco, 2nd Vice President; Cindy Heisey, Vo-Tech, Parliamentarian.

Kennard-Dale cites winners

FAWN GROVE. — Sixteen members of the Kennard-Dale FFA Chapter last week attended the 1983 State FFA Activities Week at Penn State.

The dairy judging team of Bill Lowe, Heidi vonLange, and Jon Hash placed second in the state and Bill Boothe placed second in Agriculture Salesmanship contest.

The dairy team won the right to judge at the Eastern States Exposition held in Springfield, Mass. on Sept. 16, 17, and 18. Individually, Bill Lowe placed second in the state contest, Heidi vonLange placed 12th, and Jon Hash placed 23rd. Lowe and vonLange won Gold medals and Hash won a Silver medal.

Bill Boothe by placing second in the Agriculture Salesmanship contest won a Gold medal.

Other winners were John Williams with a 15th Bronze placing in the Wildlife contest and Brian Eckersley with an 18th Honorable Mention placing in the Small Gas Engines contest. Randy Sizemore and Scott Cooper were York County delegates to the State Convention serving on various state committees. Other members who participated were Brian Klinedinst and Steve Sliger in Land Judging, Jim Godfrey in Small Gas Engines, Tim Miller in Tractor Driving, Bob Boothe in Ag Mechanics, Barbara Bush and Lorette Cooper in Dairy Products, and Ron Wilson was an officer candidate. The group was chaperoned by agriculture teachers David Allen, Ralph Travis, and Charles Wright, and Mrs. Jane Travis.

Hesston Contest open to FFA

HESSTON, Kan. — Future Farmers of America are invited to enter the 1983 "Salute to Agriculture" contest sponsored by Hesston Corporation. Winners will receive cash prizes and commemorative belt buckles of the National Finals Rodeo.

Entry forms for the contest are available from state and national FFA offices, Hesston dealers and from Hesston Corporation. Entries must be postmarked no later than September 30.

Contestants are asked to write a "Salute to Agriculture" in 100 words or less about the role far-

mers and/or ranchers play in improving the economy and standard of living in North America. The message should emphasize the good job the farmer is doing.

Hesston plans to develop artwork for the winning "Salute". It will be distributed through the Hesston dealer organization and given media exposure.

A 1983 Hesston National Finals Rodeo commemorative belt buckle will be awarded to 10 finalists. The winner will receive \$500 in cash. Two second place winners will be awarded \$250 each, and five third place awards will be announced at the National FFA Convention in November in Kansas City.

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