

Out FFA Awards

Honorary Chapter Membership was bestowed upon the following: Mrs. Pat Newcomer, secretary, Guidance Dept. Garden Spot High School; Mrs. Judy Russell, secretary, Guidance Dept. Garden Spot High School, and Mr. Chris Herr, PA Dept. of Agriculture, director of economic development.

Certificates of Appreciation were presented to the following: Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc., New Holland Farmers Day Association, Musselman Lumber,

Inc., Stauffers of Kissel Hill, Martin Limestone, Inc., Rotary Club of New Holland, Old Heritage Real Estate, Inc., Penn Dutch Sportsman's Club, Mr. Donald Robinson....Adult Education Instructor, ELANCO School Dist, Mr. Gary Nelson.....Engineer for Conestoga Building Supply, Mr. and Mrs. Darryl E. Weaver.....FFA Supporters.

Top Citrus Salesman award went to Ronda Ringler. Scholarship recognition and

pins were presented to the following qualified members: Jason Heft, Wade Esbenschade, Lisa Horning, Sherry Martin, Ronda Ringler, Andrea Snader, Kim Thornton, Darrel Weaver, Carl Gonzalez, Linda Huber, Connie Zeiset, Mike Nepi, Angie Weaver, Jess Weaver, Anita Wenger, and Gerald Wenger. Also recognized but not present were: Jason Reifsnnyder, Kirby Martin, and Tanya Sauder.

County and state record book medals went to:

Sherman Stoltzfus-Silver Medal in County; Wade Esbenschade-Gold Medal On-Farm Work Experience County and State Bronze Medal in County Wildlife, Silver Medal at State; Megan Frederick-Bronze Medal State, Silver in County for One Enterprise Bronze Medal in County Off-farm Work; Wendy Weaver-Gold Medal County and State for Off-Farm Work Experience; Lin-

da Huber-Gold Medal County for 3 enterprise book, Gold Medal State for work experience and swine finishing, Silver Medal for dairy calf; Jason Heft-Silver Medal for county and state off farm work experience; Andrea Snader-Gold in county wildlife and bronze at state; Andy Horning-Gold Medal County, Silver Medal state off-farm work experience; Lisa Horning-Gold Medal County, Bronze Medal State off-farm work experience.



Star Greenhand awards go to Jess Weaver, left, and Corey Weaver.



Rough Riders 4-H Horse and Pony Club members of the month are Gabriel Bowman, left and Dallassa Bowman.



HAPPENINGS

Rough Riders 4-H

The March meeting of the Rough Riders 4-H Horse and Pony Club was held at Kroener's on March 11 at 7 p.m.

Each committee reported on their activities in the month of February, and teen leaders reported on their first meeting with their groups.

Tina Henry did a demonstration on bandaging.

Club members of the month were Gabriel Bowman and Dallassa Bowman.

Gabriel, 12, has been a Rough Riders member for three years. This year, he is club president, as well as a teen leader. A 6-year-old gray Quarter Horse named Blue is his project horse. Together, they like to trail ride and jump.

Dallassa, 11, has been a Rough Riders member for three years, serving this year on the Trail Riding Committee. Cupid, a 5-year-old Paint, is her project horse. Together, they enjoy dressage and jumping.

Call John Henry, Club Leader, at (717) 284-2046, for more information.

Dauphin County 4-H Seeing Eye Puppy Club

The Dauphin County 4-H Seeing Eye Puppy Club meets the second Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at the Agricultural Building located at 1451 Peter's Mtn. Road, Dauphin. The club will be meeting April 15 because of the Easter holiday. Anyone interested is welcome to join in the meetings.

Seven puppies are in the club. There are four German Shepherds, two yellow labradors, and one chocolate labrador.

The puppies range in age from two months to one year old. The club gets the puppy when it is about two months old. When the puppies are about 14 months old, they are returned to the Seeing Eye, and the club receives a new puppy.

From the time the club gets the puppy, they begin socializing him. That is, bringing him to stores, malls, churches, and of course to monthly meetings. In addition to these places, the 4-H club has one outing a month in which the puppies and the 4-H'ers take the puppies out.

In January the club went to the Farm Show and displayed dogs. Later that month the club also attended the Extended Care Unit of the Polyclinic Hospital and allowed the patients to meet the puppies.

In March the club was planning to go to Chocolate World to tour the facilities and display the dogs; however, this was canceled due to the weather. In April the club is planning to go to the Colonial Park Mall with their dogs to further experience them.

All of the puppies are very gentle and can be petted by anyone. However, if you see a dog with a harness on, it may not be petted since it is guiding a blind person. The club's puppies can be easily recognized since they are usually wearing a green handkerchief around their necks.

This project is very rewarding for blind people as well as the 4-H'ers. The 4-H'ers get the satisfaction of knowing that the puppy they raised is now giving a blind person almost total independence.

If you would like to meet the puppies: Garbo, Hank, Vasco, Dakota, Lewis, Jamie, and Lincoln, please plan to attend club meetings or contact Cathy Yingst 4-H leader, at (717) 599-5917.

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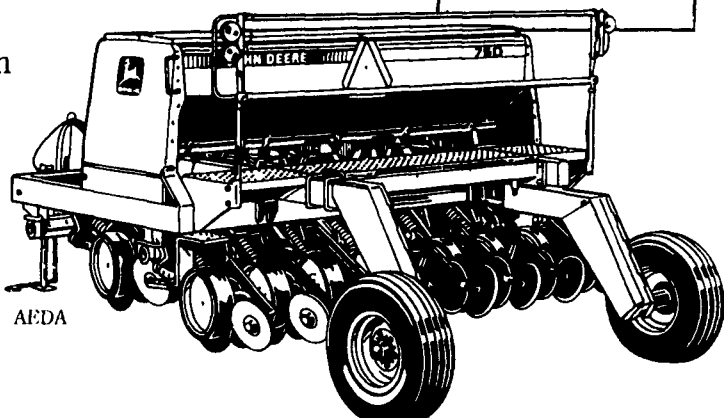
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