

FFA Golf Tournament Exceeds \$25,000 Goal

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lamb was donated by Nix Besser Dorsets to the Grassland Chapter FFA scholarship fund. Proceeds from the \$2,000 bid will be equally split between the Pennsylvania FFA and the Grassland Chapter FFA, Garden Spot High School. The giving has long-range after-shocks. Day, recipient of the \$2,000 lamb, will donate half of the sale price at the end of the show season back to the Grassland Scholarship Fund.

Another top drawing bid was Greg Yoder's original painting of "Weedy Retreat Mallards." Bill Campbell, owner of Hoss's, paid \$1,500 to take home the painting by FFA member Yoder.

A quilt donated by Carl and Margaret Wenger from Wenger's of Myerstown, sold for \$950 to Bruce and Kate Lemon, Lemon Farm in Carlisle.

Other FFA chapters donations included a picnic table, Winross and Ertl trucks, water garden plants, handmade and hand-

painted bird houses, sporting goods, a wooden bread box, a pump and trough planter, a child's patio set, child's wicker love seat and table set, a handmade cedar chest, sports tickets, golf apparel, Joe Paterno autographed football, plants, FFA collectibles (tractors, trucks, and corks), art prints, and other items. Three auctioneers, Harry Bachman, Glen Wenger, and John Hess donated their services.

"Raising money for the FFA is the major emphasis of the golf tournament, but there are many other positive things that happen on which you can't put a price tag," Hoffman said.

One of these was Bill Richards' remark that his first introduction to FFA was in Connecticut. He reported that a young fellow who worked with him attended the FFA leadership conference held in Washington D.C. Richards said that when he saw what a huge difference it made in "the young kid's life," it really sold him on what FFA can do for kids.

Each year, Hoffman said, new participants come just to golf. The following year, many come back as a sponsor, and after that they often come back as an even bigger sponsor. "That's the greatest compliment they could give us — to come back in a bigger way," Hoffman said.

Both Foxchase Golf Course and Hawk Valley Golf Club were used to accommodate the 232 registered golfers. Hatfield provided the luncheon. After a hot day on the course, golfers nibbled on hors d'oeuvres while previewing auction items before the awards dinner. State FFA officers opened up the awards

dinner, which features grilled steaks donated by Hoss's and additional food by Triple G Catering. Awards presented to top scoring teams and individuals included the following:

- Golfing champions on the Fox Chase Golf Course were repeat winners for the fourth time in five years: Scott Gold, Dave Huston, John Coldiron, and Steve Moran. They scored 59 points.

- Grand champions with a score of 58 at the Hawk Valley Golf Course included Luke Freeman, Ted Kintz, Kent Wilson, and Jack Tavoraro.

- For the second year in a row,

the Delaware Valley College team, Neil Vincent, Paul Kutawski, Richard Vincent, and Doug Linde, took second-place honors at Fox Chase. They scored 61.

- Second-place winners at Hawk Valley were Ron Dandrea, Jack Lariet, John Gentry, and Jim Parlier.

- Co-workers from Living Landscapes teamed up for a third place win and score of 61 at the Foxchase course: Jim Reich, Ryan Reich, Clay Payne, and Chris Romig, who also scored the longest drive for the day.



Bill Campbell of Hoss's bid \$1,500 for the original painting by Greg Yoder.



Golfing champions on the Fox Chase Golf Course are, from left, Scott Gold, Dave Huston, John Coldiron, and Steve Moran. For the fourth time in five years, the team has placed first at the annual Fore FFA Golf Tournament.



Grand champions at the Hawk Valley Golf Course include, from left, Luke Freeman, Ted Kintz, Kent Wilson, and Jack Tavoraro. To accommodate the large number of golfers, the tournament is played on both the Fox Chase and the Hawk Valley courses.



Second-place winners at Hawk Valley include, from left, Ron D'Andrea, Jack Laret, John Gentry, and Jim Parlier.



Shown with Nancy and Bill Campbell, sponsors of the annual FFA golf tournament, are FFA officers, standing clockwise from left, Jennifer Witmer, south central region vice president; Britina Robinson, eastern region vice president; Allyson Cole, reporter; Laurie Bish, secretary; and Daniole Cowden, treasurer. Kneeling is Daniel Kreider, chaplain. In the driver's seat is Travis Donough, sentinel, seated beside Karen Reed, western region vice president.



For the second year in a row, this team from Delaware Valley College took second-place honors at Fox Chase. From left, are Neil Vincent, Paul Kutawski, Richard Vincent, and Doug Linde.