

CHILLICOTHE



F.F.A.

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Eight Chillicothe F.F.A. Members Receive State Highest Degree

Eight members of the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter are among the three percent of Missouri F.F.A. members to receive the State Farmer Degree presented Friday night at the State Convention in Columbia. Chillicothe members receiving the Degree are Mark Bonderer, Lloyd Chapins, Brian Crosser, Bret Davis, Ross Jones, Mark Hopper, Steve Miller, and Cary Singleton.

The Degree is based on supervised occupational experience and leadership and will be given to approximately 400 of the state's 15,000 membership.

Mark Bonderer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Bonderer, has a farming program consisting of corn, hogs, and beef cattle. He has been a member of the Soils Judging Team.

Lloyd Chapins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Chapins, Jr., has a farming program of soybeans, clover, and has worked for Haas Bros. farms in the AOE program.

He has been on the Ag. Mechanics Team, treasurer of the Chapter, Area Proficiency Award winner in Agricultural placement and star Agri-Businessman for Area II.

Brian Crosser, son of Eugene Crosser and Dorothy Hatfield, has soybeans and wheat plus working in the AOE program for Elmer Bowman. Brian has attended many F.F.A. functions. He was a member of the Dairy Products and Dairy Judging Teams.

Bret Davis, son of Jewell Davis, has swine, beef cattle and field crops. He has also been employed in the AOE program by Cleo Wyant of Chula. He has shown field crops at the State Fair, received the Agri-Business Award in 1977 and was a member of the Dairy Products and Parliamentary Procedure Teams.

Ross Jones, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Jones, Jr., has beef cattle as his farming program. Ross holds the office of Chaplain in the F.F.A. He has been on the Parliamentary



STATE FARMERS

Front - Ross Jones, Brian Crosser, Lloyd Stephens, Cary Singleton
Back - Bret Davis, Mark Hopper, Steve Miller, Mark Bonderer

Procedure Team and the Livestock Judging Team.

Mark Hopper, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Hopper, has beef cattle, hogs, and crops as his farming program. He holds the office of Chapter Reporter. He has been a member of the Dairy Products Team and the Parliamentary Procedure Team.

Steve Miller, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Walter Miller, has beef cattle and crops as his farming program. He has been a member of the

Field Crops Team, the Livestock Judging Team, and the Farm Management Team.

Cary Singleton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Singleton, has soybeans and placement in Agri-Business as his supervised experience program. He is the Chapter Reporter for the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter. He has been a member of the Meats Judging Team and the Parliamentary Procedure Team. He also participated in Creed Speaking and Public Speaking Contest.

PROGRAM

Dinner Served	Cafeteria Personnel
Opening Ceremonies	1977-78 Officers
Invocation	Ross Jones
F.F.A. Creed	Joey Grindstaff
Proficiency Awards	Chuck Hinchey
F.F.A. Contest Teams	Mark Hopper
Vocational Agriculture Teams	Mike Clarke
State Farmers	Donald Fifer
Parliamentary Procedure Team	
Demonstration	1978 Parliamentary Team
Speech	Cary Singleton
Honorary Chapter Farmer Degree	
Ceremony	1977-78 Officers
Jerry Litton Memorial Leadership	
Development Award	Mr. David Walker
Community Bank Award	Mr. Benwood Jones
Agri-Business Award	Dr. Clark Gwin
State Bank Award	Mr. Len Simmer
Production Credit Award	Mr. Darrell Skipper
Federal Land Bank Award	Mr. Mark Burger
SCS Award	Mr. Lyle Noblitt
Citizens Bank Award	Mr. Bill Watson
F.F.A. Scholarships	Ed Emerson
Other Awards and Presentations	
Recognition of Parents	Chapter Members
Installation of 1978-79 Officers	1977-78 Officers
Closing Ceremonies	1978-79 Officers

Annual Awards

Awards are a very important part of the F.F.A. The members who receive these awards work very hard in order to be honored, and this instills a competitive spirit among the members. This Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter appreciates the presentations by the various groups and thanks them for the time and money they give to help make our Chapter successful.

In order to be eligible for the awards a member must be in good standing and must turn in a written application. The winners are selected by a panel of agribusinessmen and area farmers.

Jerry Litton Memorial Leadership Development Award

Wally McGinnis and Hutchinson-Walker - Turner Insurance and Real Estate will each sponsor \$200 to pay the expenses of two officers to the Washington D.C. Leadership

Conference. The winners' names will be engraved on a plaque in the Vocational Agriculture classroom, and they will represent the Chapter at a week long leadership conference in Washington during the summer.

Agri-Business Awards (by Dr. Clark Gwin)

Dr. Gwin presents a trophy and a \$25 check to the outstanding member of each of the four Agri-Business classes. The award is based on leadership, participation, and career development.

State Bank Awards

The Chillicothe State Bank presents a trophy and a \$25 check to a member of each of the four Production Agriculture classes. The award is based on quality and

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PUBLIC SPEAKING
Scott Stephens



EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING
Cary Singleton



CREED SPEAKING
Joey Grindstaff



LIVESTOCK JUDGING
Ross Jones, Kevin Laffey
Not Shown -
Dennis Gutshall, Tim Hopper

ANNUAL AWARDS

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scope of the member's farming program and on the member's knowledge of record keeping and management.

Community Bank Awards

The Community Bank presents a trophy and a \$25 check to a member of each of the four classes. The award is based on the total amount of points earned by each member for participating in the different F.F.A. activities during the year.

Citizens National Bank Award

The Citizens National Bank presents a trophy and a \$100 check

to the outstanding senior member based on leadership. The winner is selected on his or her four year performance in leadership and service to the F.F.A., the school, and the community.

PCA Ag. Mechanics Award

The Production Credit Association gives a trophy and a \$25 check to the outstanding Agriculture Mechanics student. The award is presented to a Junior or Senior based on projects constructed and farm machinery maintenance completed.

Federal Land Bank Award

The Federal Land Bank presents a trophy and a \$25 check to

the outstanding senior Farm Management student. The award is based on class grades in Vocational Agriculture, scores on the Farm Management Contest, and general knowledge of Production Agriculture.

Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter Scholarships

The Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter presents two \$250 scholarships to

senior F.F.A. members who are planning to attend a college or vocational school majoring in Agriculture. The member must have completed four units of Vocational Agriculture and is based on leadership in F.F.A., grades in Vocational Agriculture and other school subjects, school and community service, and need for additional funds.

OFFICERS

Office	1977-78	1978-79
President	Reid Stephens	Cary Singleton
Vice-President	Mike Clarke	Mike Hopper
Secretary	Chuck Hinchey	Ross Jones
Assistant Secretary		Robert Quinn
Treasurer	Lloyd Chapins	Scott Stephens
Reporters	Mike Hopper Cary Singleton	Dennis Gutshall Kevin Laffey
Sentinel	Donald Fifer	Greg Cooper
Parliamentarian	Robert Quinn	Mike Fries
Chaplain	Ross Jones	Vicki Nibarger

Summary of Supervised Occupational Experience for Students In Production Agriculture (Jan.-Dec., 1977)

Number of students with beef projects	46
Total number of beef cattle owned by members	689
Number of students with dairy projects	2
Total number of dairy cattle owned by members	21
Number of students with swine projects	29
Total number of swine owned by members	2,617
Number of students with sheep projects	6
Total number of sheep owned by members	173
Number of students with corn and milo projects	14
Total number of acres of corn and milo	326
Number of students with soybean projects	22
Total number of acres of soybeans	893
Number of students with wheat projects	11
Total number of acres of wheat	160
Number of students with hay projects	7
Total number of acres of hay	239
Number of students placed on farms for wages	30
Total hours worked	14,832
Total net income for 70 members with completed program	\$166,243.67
Average net income per member	\$ 2,374.91



Barnwarming

The 1977 Barnwarming was held at the F.F.A. Fairgrounds on November 5, 1977. When we got there, we all had to go through the tunnel of straw made by the senior boys. When we got through, we started square dancing. The caller for square dancing was Merle Doughty. Marty Ewing played the fiddle. Between square dancing we could all drink apple cider and eat doughnuts. In between square dancing, games were provided for entertainment. One of these games was the red ear of

corn. This is where the boys try to get a red ear of corn and then they kiss the girl of their choice. The king and queen candidates were Robbie Young and Teresa Surber for the freshman class, Gary Pepper and Jenny Keith for the sophomore class, Cary Singleton and Vicki Nibarger for the junior class, and Lloyd Chapins and Sharon Tye for the senior class. The sophomores won with Gary Pepper and Jenny Keith. Scott Stevens and Lisa Crawford crowned them.



SOILS

Joyce Buchanan, Ed Emerson, Mark Bonderer
Not Shown - Robert Quinn



PROFICIENCY AWARDS

Lloyd Chapins, Tracy Allen, Cary Singleton
Not Shown - Reid Stephens, Dean Edmondson

Contests

The Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter was well represented at this year's Area, District, and State Contests. Chillicothe entered fourteen teams on the area and district levels. Seven of the fourteen teams competed on the state level. There are two areas of contest teams — vocational agriculture teams and F.F.A. teams. The vocational agriculture teams come from the different vocational agriculture classes. F.F.A. teams are related to the aspects of F.F.A.

The Farm Management Team will be going to Kansas City next fall after placing first at District and at State. Members are David Cain, Steve Miller, Reid Stephens, and Mike Clarke. David Cain was high individual at District and at State. The Soils Team of Joyce Buchanan, Ed Emerson, Mark Bonderer, and Robert Quinn, placed first at District and received a silver rating at State. Robin Eller, Marty Ewing, Steve Noblitt, and Mary Childs placed third at District with a silver rating at State on the Poultry Team. The Dairy Judging Team placed fifth at District and a silver rating at State. Rob Young, Marty Stedem, Melvin Lollar, and David Link made up the team. Raymond Quinn, Brian Schmidt, and Suzie Holliday placed fifth at District and received a silver rating at

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F.F.A. Fairs

The 4-H and F.F.A. Fairs are very important to many F.F.A. members. Fairs are a good way for the F.F.A. members to get to work with each other and learn new things about the fair. The fairs are also a good way to win money, ribbons and trophies and still have a good time.

The participants of the fairs have a lot to do to get ready for them. They have to break their calves to lead, groom, wash, and train their calves what to do in the show ring.

There are three fairs a member can enter. They are the County Fair, the District Fair at Trenton, and the State Fair at Sedalia. The two reasons for entering these fairs to members are for the pleasure and the challenge to win.

The County Fair lasts three days. During those three days there are many contests like cattle, hogs, sheep, horses, chickens, and even some rabbits. There are also a lot of contests that they put up in the Green Building like cooking, sewing, woodworking, etc. The Livingston County Fair is one of the biggest in Missouri. This year they are going to put up another barn for those members who show horses. This also gives the town people who love

horses a chance to see quite a few of them.

The last few years every member getting a blue ribbon on a steer, market hog, or market sheep, gets to sell them at the fair. This brings the members who have worked hard to get a blue ribbon a chance to make a profit off of their animal.

The F.F.A. members who participated in the fairs were: Jerry Bauer, Martye Case, Mike Fries, Dan Hutchison, Kevin Laffey, Melvin Lollar, David Morris, Gary Pepper, Stan Saunders, Jack Smith, Jim Waits, Tracy Allen, Mark Bonderer, Doug Jefferies, Ross Jones, Pam Moore, Vicki Nibarger, Robert Quinn, Bruce Whitside, Mark Hopper, David Buttman, Mike Clarke, Chuck Hinchey, Stephen Miller, Allan Nibarger, Jim Seaman, Mark Case, Chuck Fries, Kyle Hibner, Mike Hopper, Mike Mollahan, Bruce Moore, Dale Pepper, and Rick Lollar.

Some of these members also entered in the District Fair at Trenton and the State Fair at Sedalia. The members that entered these fairs came back and said they learned a lot of things they didn't know about. So we encourage everyone to participate in the fairs and have some fun.



FARM MANAGEMENT

Mike Clarke, Steve Miller, Reid Stephens, David Cain



FIELD CROPS

Jack Smith, Jim Waits, Mike Fries, Scott Stephens

Proficiency Awards

Proficiency awards started off well again this year with the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter taking five first, three second, and two third places at area contests.

Some of the fields that there was competition in were: Livestock Production, Beef Production, Swine Production, Agriculture Mechanics, Forest Management, Home Improvement, Placement in Sales and/or Service, Fish and Wildlife, Horse Production and Experience, Placement in Agriculture Production.

Only those who place first at area are allowed to go on to state contests. Those who placed first

in the Chillicothe Chapter were: Reid Stephens - Home Improvement, Lloyd Chapins - Placement in Agriculture Production, Dean Edmundson - Agriculture Mechanics, Tracy Allen - Horse Production and Experience, Cary Singleton - Placement in Sales and/or Services.

Those persons taking second places were: Mike Clarke - Livestock Production, Robert Quinn - Fish and Wildlife, Ross Jones - Forest Management.

Those taking third places were: Mark Hopper - Beef Production and Mike Clarke - Swine Production.



BOOK CONTESTS

Chuck Hinchey, Mark Hopper, Lloyd Chapins, Cary Singleton, Martha Seiberling



F.F.A. KNOWLEDGE

Brian Schmidt, Mike Haynes, Steve Noblitt, Martha Seiberling

BOAC Projects

The F.F.A. strives to provide training in leadership, cooperation, and the development of responsible citizenship. In addition it offers experiences in serving the community.

The program Building Our American Communities (BOAC) is designed to involve all chapter members in construction projects to improve the community in which they live and work. It also prepares them for the future. F.F.A. members are provided with a vehicle in which they will ob-

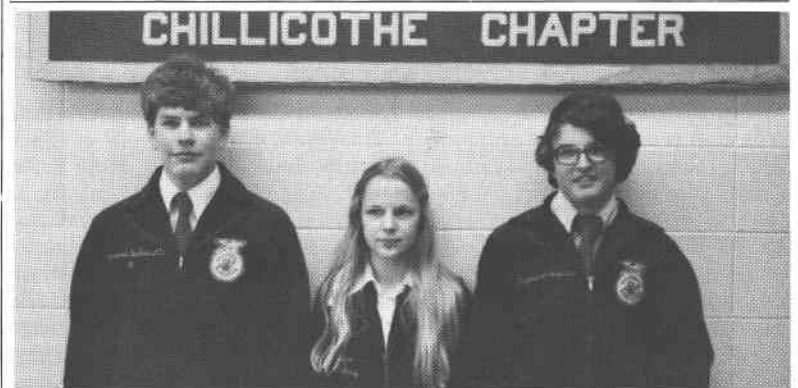
serve the community for future projects, employment opportunities, environmental control, recreational needs and the availability of community services and resources.

The Chillicothe F.F.A. was given a grant of \$500 by the Missouri Department of Agriculture. The grant was given for this year's project, a 600 ft. chain link fence. The Vocational Agriculture shop classes will build this fence around the Chillicothe fairgrounds arena. The construction deadline is July 1.



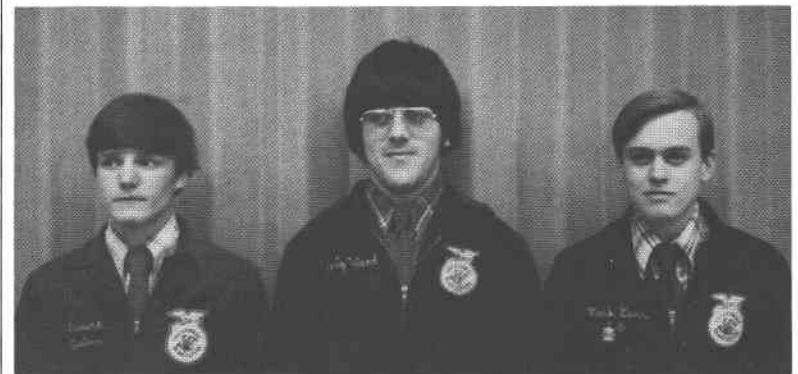
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DAIRY PRODUCTS

Brian Schmdit, Suzie Holliday, Raymond Quinn



FARM MECHANICS

Robert Quinn, Ron Reeter, Mark Garr
Alternate (not shown) - Darrell Allen

Parents' Night

The Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter held its annual Parents' Night on September 26, 1977, at the Chillicothe Vocational-Technical School. The purpose of Parents' Night is to acquaint the parents with the F.F.A. Chapter and to motivate the Greenhands to set goals to work in F.F.A.

The officers of the Chapter conducted the meeting and also gave speeches on activities, farming programs, contests, and awards the new Greenhands could work for. The F.F.A. Creed was recited by six Greenhands. They were Lauri Mitchell, Joey Grindstaff,

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Ray Bernhardt of the MFA touched on the topic of lives and goals which F.F.A. members are striving to achieve. He then showed a film which viewed the lives of the greatest past and present athletes. The film was narrated by Paul Richards who explained through his own knowledge how they achieved their goals and whether they were successful or not.

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**Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter
Summer Activities**

The Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter has many activities throughout the summer. The activities deal mainly with leadership, recreation and showing at fairs. Some of the activities that deal with leadership are: Twenty to twenty-five members attend F.F.A. Camp for one week for leadership training and recreational fun. The Area officers have a leadership meeting. The most honorable event of the summer is when the chapter sends two officers to Washington D.C. to the National Leadership Conference.

Some of the recreational activities are the Summer Picnic for all parents and members which is held in Simpson Park. The Chapter also has a swimming party at the public pool. Near the end of the summer there is a watermelon bust for all members and incoming freshmen.

The biggest summer activity is the Livingston County Fair. Many of the members show cattle, sheep, and swine which they have been raising for this show. Some of the members attend the District Fair at Trenton and the State Fair at Sedalia. The F.F.A. Chapter also sets up and organizes Pork Chop Night that is held every summer just before the County Fair.

The advisors keep busy during the summer. They visit all prospective students coming into the chapter and most of the rest of the students already enrolled. The advisors also attend the Missouri Vocational Agriculture Conference in Columbia for three days, and all other events that the F.F.A. is involved in during the summer. The advisors of the Chillicothe

Chapter are Roger Wolf, Bill Gutshall, Ron Wolf, and Don Cassada.

— Dennis Gutshall

**State F.F.A. Chorus
and National Band**

The State F.F.A. Convention was held on April 20 and 21, 1978. Three members selected for the State F.F.A. Chorus were Jim Slattery, Michelle Laffey, and Debbi Linville. The two National Band candidates were Rhonda Cooper and Jack Smith. They left at 6:00 a.m. Thursday morning to be in Columbia by 9:00 a.m. to start practice. They had three practices on Thursday and three on Friday in order to be prepared for their performances each evening at the F.F.A. State Convention.

AERIAL PHOTOS

Aerial photographs were sold this year as a money-making project for the F.F.A. There were a total of 111 photographs sold to homeowners in the community.

George F. Bayless and his wife from the B & B Aircraft flew over and photographed the farms. Several trips were made because of wrong farms and retakes.

The F.F.A. members then took the photographs to the homeowners who then purchased the photographs.

These photographs were in color and were 8½" x 11" and sold for \$15.00 each.

— Debbi Linville

THANKS
to Supporters of
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Pork Chop Night

The annual Pork Chop Night was held July 18, 1977, at the MFA hog barn. This activity was sponsored by the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter in cooperation with: The Chillicothe Vo. Ag. Department, County Pork Producers, Extension Service, area businessmen and Livingston Co. Farm Bureau.

There were 24 crossbred entries and 15 purebred entries. The champion purebred heavyweight went to Lloyd D. Stephens and champion lightweight to Benny Tutt. In the crossbred class champion heavyweight went to John Quinn and lightweight to Mike Clarke. Clarke also took champion of the show. Winners in the

carcass class were crossbred, Brenda Smith, and purebred, Calvin Holt. They were each presented \$100.

The F.F.A. appreciated the contributors for their efforts. These are: Citizens National Bank, Chillicothe State Bank, Chula Farmers Coop, Community Bank, Council Feed System, Grand River Grain, Dr. Clark Gwin, Livingston County Farm Bureau, Milbank Mills, MFA Exchange, and Reeds Seeds. We would also like to thank Jim Rutter for his excellent job of judging these animals.

All of these hogs were sent to Hormel Packing Company plant at Ottumwa, Iowa, for butchering.



DAIRY JUDGING

Melvin Lollar, Marty Stedem, Rob Young, David Link



PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

Front - David Link, Gary Pepper, Dennis Gutshall, Dan Hutchinson
Back - Greg Cooper, Kevin Laffey, Melvin Lollar, Terry Bauer



MEATS

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