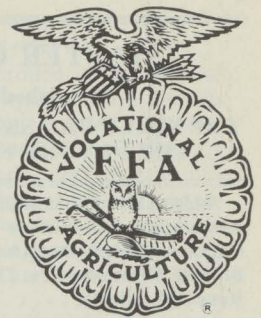


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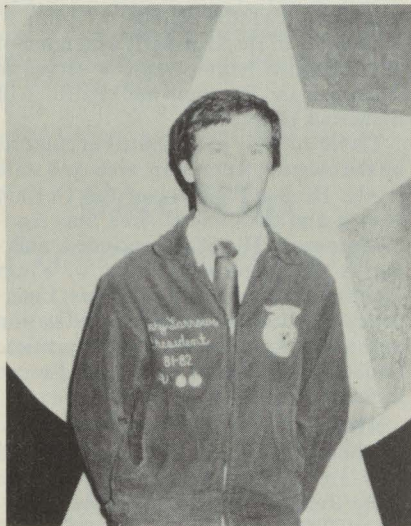


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Gary Larrowe State Star Agribusinessman.

Larrowe Star Agribusiness

The State Star Agribusinessman for 1982 is Gary Larrowe of the Carroll County Chapter. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Larrowe of Route 1, Woodlawn.

Larrowe has been an active member of the FFA for five years. He has served as President of the Woodlawn Intermediate Chapter and Vice-President and President of the Carroll County Chapter.

While a member of the Carroll County Chapter, Larrowe has been on numerous judging teams. He was a member of the state winning Farm Mechanics team and judged in the National Farm Mechanics Contest in Kansas City.

He has also attended the National Convention as a chapter representative and the Washington Conference Program.

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MEET YOUR 1982-83 STATE OFFICERS

CATHY HIVELY, PRESIDENT

Cathy Hively is the 18 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hively of Broadway. Cathy is a 1982 graduate of Broadway High School where she served as chapter vice-president and Rockingham Federation president. She has been involved in many judging contests along with extemporaneous public speaking and parliamentary procedure. She was named All-State Parliamentary Procedure team Vice-President in 1980, and was high individual in the interview portion of the Agribusiness contest in 1981. Cathy's experience program includes sheep production and working as a part-time radio broadcaster.

Cathy enjoys her radio work, all types of music, and likes to play the piano. She is a member of the Linville Creek Church of the Brethren.

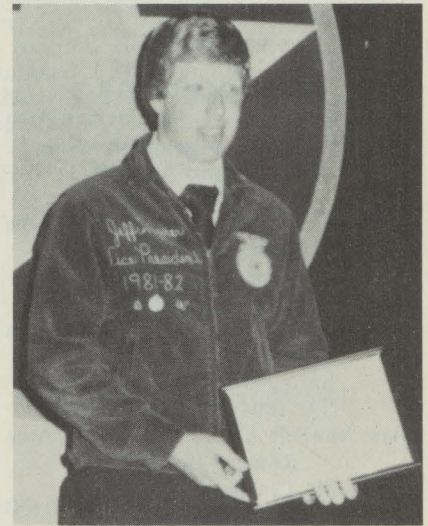
Next year Cathy plans to attend Bridgewater College, major in Music Education, and pursue a career in communications.

RANDY ALLS, VICE-PRESIDENT

Randy Alls, Appalachian Area State Vice President is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Alls of Blacksburg. Randy is a 1982 graduate of Blacksburg High School. He plans to attend New River Community College this fall, and then pursue a career in Agronomy. Randy loves the outdoors and spends as much time as possible hunting and fishing.

He has participated in several activities, including parliamentary procedure, extemporaneous speaking, agriculture mechanics, dairy judging, and livestock judging. He has held the offices of Historian, Treasurer and President of the Blacksburg Chapter and President of the New River Federation.

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Jeff Wagner State Star Farmer.

Wagner Is State Star Farmer

Jeff Wagner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Wagner of Route 2, Bridgewater, has been named the State Star Farmer of Virginia for 1982. Wagner, a member of the Fort Defiance FFA Chapter received the award and a check for \$200.00 from the National FFA Foundation at the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg.

During his FFA career, Wagner has maintained an occupational experience program of registered Holsteins which consists of 100% ownership of ten dairy cows, four replacement heifers, and two bulls, plus 50% ownership with his father in thirteen dairy cows, twelve replacement heifers, and three bulls. He has assumed 10% ownership of all other assets and liabilities on the 286 acre dairy farm which includes corn, rye, alfalfa, and orchard grass hay.

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JEFF GOFF, VICE-PRESIDENT

Jeff Goff, of Nelson County, is the Central Area State Vice-President. He is the son of Mr. L. Melvin Goff and Mrs. Ralph Goff. He is a graduate of Nelson County High School. During his five years in agricultural education, Jeff served as president of his chapter for two years and his federation for one year. Jeff was chairman of his chapter's BOAC program. His experience program consists of working with his father in the family logging operation and in his own pulp and firewood production project. Jeff participated in public speaking, parliamentary procedure and other contests.

During high school, Jeff was a member of the VICA Club and served as captain of the varsity football team. His interests include sports, hunting and hiking.

MARC VANPELT,
VICE-PRESIDENT

Marc VanPelt, Northern Area State Vice President, is the 19 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe VanPelt of Mt. Crawford. Marc is a 1981 graduate of Turner Ashby High School. He was a member of the Turner Ashby FFA where he served as Vice President of the chapter. He was active in many contests which included being a member of the second place Eastern Region Dairy Bowl team in 1979 and placing second in the National Prepared Public Speaking contest in Kansas City in 1981.

Marc enjoys listening to and playing music, and drama. He is a member of the St. James United Methodist Church.

He currently attends Virginia Tech where he is majoring in Agricultural Education and Communications. He plans a career in public relations in agriculture.

MIKE REEVES, VICE-PRESIDENT

Mike Reeves is the 20 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Reeves of Route 1, Red House, Virginia. His occupational experience program consists of dairy farming and small grain.

In his leisure time he enjoys softball, hunting, skiing and dancing.

While a member of the Randolph Henry chapter in Charlotte County he served as Vice-President and President for two terms.

He is very active in his community, serving on many church committees. He is a member of his local volunteer fire department.

GARY LARROWE, SECRETARY

Serving as State Secretary is Gary Larrowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Larrowe of Route 1, Woodlawn. Gary was named State Star Agribusinessman at the 1982 State Convention. Gary's hobbies include both metal and wood working and snow skiing.

Gary served as President of the Woodlawn Intermediate Chapter during his ninth grade year. He also served as President and Vice President of the Carroll County Chapter. Gary has participated in many judging contests and participated in the National Agriculture Mechanics Contest in Kansas City. He was named All-State Vice President of the parliamentary procedure team during his junior year.

Gary works on his family beef farm and plans to attend college, majoring in Computer Technology.

DAVID SADLER, TREASURER

Elected to serve as State Treasurer is David Sadler. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Sadler of Route 3, Ruther Glen. He is formerly a member of the Caroline Chapter where he served as Treasurer and President and chairman of numerous committees.

David actively participated in contests on the chapter, federation, area, and state levels. He is a recipient of the DeKalb Award and the Central Area Star Agribusinessman. His SOEP included working as pest control operator at Kings Dominion. He has attained his Emergency Medical Technician certification and is working toward Cardiac Certification with Ladysmith Volunteer Rescue Squad.

ROBERT VAUGHN, REPORTER

Robert W. Vaughn, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Vaughn of Warsaw is the State Reporter. Robert is a 1981 graduate of Rappahannock High School and he attended Bluefield College last year. This year he plans to transfer to Rappahannock Community College where he will major in Agriculture Education.

Robert's SOEP consists of a small farm of 65 acres in cooperation with his father.

Robert enjoys hunting, fishing, trapping, and all other outdoor activities. Robert is currently employed by Tangier Island Cruises, Inc. where he is a marina worker and mate on a cruise boat.

Robert looks forward to traveling this year and hopes to meet a lot of members.

MICHAEL WILSON, SENTINEL

Michael Gray Wilson is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Wilson of Axton. He is 18 years old and lives on a 214 acre tobacco farm in Henry County. He won the State Pride in Tobacco Production Award in 1982. A member of the Laurel Park FFA Chapter in Martinsville, he has been involved in all chapter contests and activities, attending the Washington Conference Program and the National FFA Convention.

His interests include softball, baseball, water skiing and football. He enjoys

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bluegrass-country music and plays the banjo. Michael also enjoys traveling to beautiful places like the mountains and to all historic places.

CRIS EASTEP, VICE-PRESIDENT

Cris Eastep, from Spring Grove, is the Eastern Area Vice President. Cris is the daughter of Charles and Linda Eastep, and is a graduate of Prince George High School. During her five years of vocational agriculture she served as president and secretary of her chapter. Her SOE projects consist of market and feeder steers, market lambs, market hogs, breeding heifers and livestock management. She participated in public speaking, parliamentary procedure, livestock judging and other judging contests. She was the Eastern Area Star Farmer and Livestock Proficiency winner. Cris enjoys fitting and showing cattle.

Cris plans to attend Richard Bland Junior College and transfer to Virginia Tech.

Gore Wins Processing Award

Joe Gore, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gore of Middletown, was presented the State Agricultural Processing Proficiency Award at the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg. Gore is a member of the James Wood Chapter in Frederick County.

Joe has served as president of the R. E. Aylor FFA Chapter. He has participated on rifle, forestry, crops, soils, mechanics, and parliamentary procedure teams.

Joe has accumulated 5575 hours of supervised occupational work experience. He works with his father and brother in Gore's Custom Slaughter, the family butchering operation. Joe is assistant floor foreman where he has received experience in slaughtering and processing of cattle, hogs, lambs, and goats. He also has received experience in boning out hamburger, wrapping, and stamping meat. Joe waits on customers where he insures that all meat preparation is according to order. Joe plans to work with the family operation after graduation from high school.

The Agriculture Processing Proficiency Award is sponsored by Cargil Corporation, which provided the certificate and a check for \$100 through the National FFA Foundation. The three area winners are:

CENTRAL AREA

Kevin Altman, Spotsylvania

EASTERN AREA

Donald Harrell, Gloucester

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Timothy Sexton, Jefferson Forest

They received a certificate and a check from the Virginia Association FFA.

Amos Recognized For Electrification

John Amos, of the Buckingham Senior FFA Chapter, has been named state winner of the FFA Proficiency Award for Agricultural Electrification. The award was presented during the State FFA Convention. John, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Amos of Route 3, Scottsville.

Among Amos' accomplishments which led to the award were assisting with the wiring of the family home and installing wiring in a hog house and barn. He has over 3000 hours of work experience with an electrical contractor.

The proficiency award for Agricultural Electrification is a special project of the National FFA Foundation sponsored by the Food and Energy Council, Inc. Amos received a certificate and \$100 from the Foundation. Area winners received twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. Area winners in Agricultural Electrification were:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Douglas Edward Norris,

Patrick Henry

CENTRAL AREA

Terry Eugene Moss,

Spotsylvania

EASTERN AREA

Thomas K. Hodges, Essex

NORTHERN AREA

Curtis Heatwole,

Turner Ashby

Hanover Youth Wins Floriculture

The 1982 state winner of the Floriculture Proficiency Award is Russell T. Adams of the Lee-Davis FFA Chapter of Hanover County. This award, sponsored by the National FFA Foundation, was presented during the State FFA Convention.

Adams began his floriculture experience by working in his family horticulture business. He later worked as a cooperative education student at a local florist. Recently he has operated his own horticulture business, specializing in growing and selling his own plants.

Adams received a certificate and a National FFA Foundation check for \$100. The area winners each received a certificate and a Virginia Association FFA check for twenty dollars. Area winners in Floriculture are:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Donna Hutchins, Holston

EASTERN AREA

David Allen Groh, P. D. Pruden

NORTHERN AREA

Lewis A. Boyer, James Wood

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Larrowe was enrolled in the Natural Resources Management option and his Supervised Occupational Experience program has consisted of approximately 3,000 hours of work experience in outdoor recreation. Besides his work experience on his home farm he has been employed by the Crooked Creek Fee Fishing Area and Cascade Mountain Ski Resort.

While working at Cascade Mountain he has operated snow making equipment and been responsible for repairs and rental of ski equipment. During his four years of supervised occupational experience, Larrowe has earned in excess of \$16,000. He is a member of Forest Oak Christian Church and the Hillsville Jaycees.

As state winner, Larrowe received a National FFA Foundation check for \$200.00 and a certificate. The Area Star Agribusinessmen receive a certificate and a Virginia Association FFA check for \$50.00. The Area Stars are:

CENTRAL

David Sadler, Caroline

EASTERN

Steven Bareford, Essex

NORTHERN

Dwight Shenk, James Wood

SOUTHSIDE

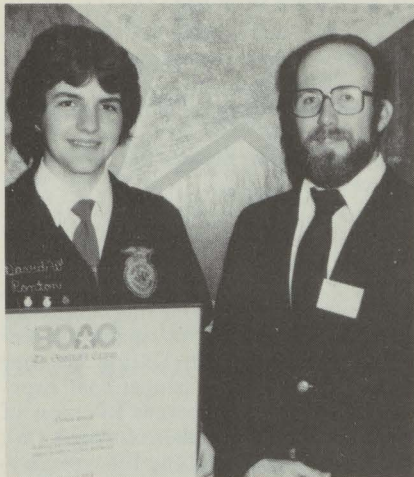
John Klein, William Campbell

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Wagner has been involved in school and community activities including the National Honor Society, Monogram Club, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, 4-H Dairy Club and Honor Club, State 4-H All Stars, and Parnassus Methodist Church. He has been active in the Virginia Holstein Association, serving on the Junior Board of Directors, and has shown many of his top animals at local, state, and national shows.

Wagner plans to attend Virginia Tech this fall majoring in dairy science. Upon graduation he intends to return to the home farm, "Rilara Holsteins," in partnership with his father.

The ceremony in Blacksburg also honored the FFA members named as Area Star Farmers. They each received a certificate and a check for \$50.00 from the Virginia Association FFA. The Appalachian Area Star Farmer was Eddie French of the John S. Battle Chapter. Caroline's David Chenault was named the Central Area Star Farmer. Cristy Rae Eastep of Prince George is the 1982 Eastern Area Star Farmer and William Glen Cloudis, Jr., of William Campbell was recognized as the Southside Area Star Farmer.



David Ponton and Advisor Ed McCann accept BOAC Award for Nelson County.

Nelson Declared BOAC Winner

The Nelson County Senior FFA Chapter has been declared the 1982 state winner in the Building Our American Communities (BOAC) Award.

This award is sponsored by R. J. Reynolds Industries in cooperation with the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The purpose of the program is to encourage FFA chapters to strengthen and expand FFA involvement in community development and make the community a better place in which to live.

The Nelson Chapter conducted an outstanding BOAC program in their community this year. They sponsored a county fair in cooperation with the local Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce and volunteer fire departments.

In addition to the sponsorship of the fair, the chapter members planned and constructed a wayside area on Route 29, conducted a canned food drive, provided free firewood for the elderly and stacked firewood for the handicapped.

All of the BOAC activities were coordinated with many local civic groups and were publicized through radio spot announcements, newspaper articles and school announcements.

Nelson Senior, James Wood, Essex, Appomattox, Carroll County and Broadway will be recognized during the National FFA Convention in Kansas City in November during the BOAC program.

Future Farmers of America

Campbell, Vann, and VA Tech Honored

Julian M. Campbell, P.D. Vann, and Virginia Tech's College of Agriculture and Life Sciences have been presented Virginia FFA's most coveted prize, the Distinguished Service Award. The awards were presented during the fifth session of the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg. The award recognizes individuals and organizations who have made extraordinary contributions to Vocational Agriculture and the FFA.

J. M. Campbell has devoted his entire professional life to agricultural education. After graduating from Virginia Tech and later receiving his masters degree from Michigan State, he taught agriculture in Appomattox and Campbell Counties. In 1953 he was appointed assistant state supervisor and in 1958 he was named as state supervisor of agricultural education. He has always been a loyal supporter of the FFA, having been involved in the FFA since high school. He has served as chapter secretary and president, federation president, and was elected state secretary in 1938. He has served as chapter advisor, State Executive Secretary, State Advisor and has been the National FFA Treasurer since 1960.

P. D. Vann has devoted thirty-two years of his professional career to agricultural education. After graduating from Virginia State and later receiving the masters degree from Virginia State, he taught agriculture in Southampton County for twenty years. In 1970 he was appointed supervisor of agricultural education for the Eastern Area. Throughout his career he has provided distinguished service to the NFA and the FFA. He served the NFA as president of the chapter, federation and state organizations and he also served as National Treasurer of the NFA. He has served as local advisor where he maintained one of the top chapters in the state.

The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech has cooperated with and supported the activities of the FFA for many years. Personnel from the college have assisted with many of the state judging contests. The college has provided resource people to assist in the training of FFA judging teams, and has provided instructional materials and assisted in conducting inservice workshops for teachers. The cooperation and assistance of the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Tech has been a key factor in the success of our state FFA convention.

Albrite Receives NACD - Allis Chalmers Award

reprinted from Grassroots

For the second year in a row a vocational agriculture instructor has won the NACD-Allis Chalmers Environmental Conservation Education Award in Virginia. Bobby Albrite, who teaches at the Northern Neck Regional Vocational Center in Warsaw, Virginia, has been named Virginia Conservation Teacher of the Year. His entry was submitted by the Northern Neck Soil Conservation District.

Albrite teaches students from grades 8 through 12 and serves as assistant principal at the school. After having taught general agriculture for twenty years, Albrite began teaching horticulture three years ago.

He is no stranger to awards. In 1978 he was awarded the Virginia Young Farmer Outstanding Teacher Service Award and in 1977 he received the National Agribusiness Career Exploration Award.

The major objective of his teaching, he said, is to have his students understand the need for conservation. He said, "I teach that conservation is simply the wise use of our resources and I hope that they are impressed enough to practice wise use all their lives."

NOTES FROM THE NATIONAL CENTER

FFA members, Young Farmers, and FFA Alumni may attend the Third World Congress of Young Farmers scheduled for October in West Berlin. Details are available from the FFA's International Department.

The National Center is being computerized. Each chapter has been assigned an account number. It may be found on the upper left corner of the chapter Membership Roster (ex: VA 0001). Be sure to include your chapter's account number on all orders and requests to assist in speedy processing.

A number of notable speakers have been tentatively confirmed to appear at the National FFA Convention, November 10-13, 1982. The list includes Dale Evans, Agriculture Secretary John Block, Senate Agriculture Committee Chairman Jesse Helms, Melissa Gilbert ("Little House on the Prairie"), Eddie Albert, and Barbara Mandrell!

Broadway Top Chapter In Virginia

The Broadway Chapter of Rockingham County has been named the top FFA Chapter in Virginia.

The chapter, composed of 122 members and 2 advisors, has conducted a well-rounded program including conducting a crop and mechanics show and a Food For America program; cooperatively purchasing and selling citrus fruits, tramsol, bird feed, and rat bait; and planting over 13,000 tree seedlings. Members displayed an audio-visual exhibit and distributed FFA materials at a local mall during Farm Week and cooperated with school organizations and community groups. The chapter has livestock and dairy chains and has completed Building Our American Community projects which include 14 picnic tables, a swing set, and a 12' x 40' shelter for a community park bar-b-que pit. The chapter also donated to charity and distributed toys and food baskets to needy families at Christmas. Members attended state and national leadership conferences and held a parent-member-alumni banquet and summer picnic. The chapter also held scholarship and participation contests and had several members win scholarships. Members competed in a basketball tournament and planned activities to publicize the FFA during National FFA Week. They qualified as a "Gold" public relations chapter and one of its members, Melanie Burgess, was elected national vice-president of the FFA. The chapter had three American Farmers, the fifth place poultry team in the national contest, a national proficiency award winner, and received "Gold" emblem ratings in the Chapter Contest and the Chapter Safety Contest at the National FFA Convention in November.

In recognition of this award, Broadway received a plaque and a Virginia Association FFA check for \$50. Placing second and receiving a check for \$40 was the Turner Ashby Chapter, with James Wood placing third and receiving \$30. The Spotswood Chapter received \$20 for placing fourth, with Strasburg placing fifth with a check for \$10. The Montevideo Intermediate Chapter placed sixth and received a check for \$5.

Plaques were presented to the highest rated chapter in each area, as follows:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Carroll County

CENTRAL AREA

Caroline

EASTERN AREA

Essex

NORTHERN AREA

Broadway

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Appomattox



Members of the 1981-82 State FFA Officer team were presented plaques by former State President, Kendall Clay, an attorney from Radford.

Turf Award Won By Henry

Patrick Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Henry of Route 1, Mt. Jackson, was presented the State Turf and Landscape Proficiency Award at the first session of the State FFA Convention. Henry is a member of the Stonewall Jackson FFA Chapter of Shenandoah County.

Henry's supervised occupational experience program includes the production of market lambs and hogs with major emphasis on the operation of a turf and landscaping business. He has established 18 regular customers in the lawn mowing and care operation, which is the largest profit making phase of the business. Henry also provides services in shrubbery and tree planting, trimming and pruning, applying fertilizers and pesticides, and plowing and disking gardens. He has increased his inventory of equipment by purchasing 2 riding lawn mowers, a push mower, a pick-up truck and trailer, and various hand tools and applicators.

Henry has attended workshops and classes in the use of fertilizers and pesticides, machinery repair and maintenance, safety, pruning and trimming trees and shrubs, and financial and business management. Henry plans to study at a community college and develop his business into a full time operation.

In addition to his supervised occupational experience program, Henry has been extremely active in the local FFA Chapter. He has served as chapter assistant treasurer, participated in judging contests, and worked on community service activities.

He received a certificate and a National FFA Foundation check for \$100. Area winners received certificates and a Virginia FFA check for twenty dollars. Area winners were:

CENTRAL

Dwayne White, Fauquier

EASTERN

Taylor Brooks, Essex

SOUTHSIDE

David Knowsley, Buckingham Senior



Wendy Powell (left) is congratulated by advisor William Gwathmey.

Powell is Creed Champion

Wendy Powell, of Eastern Area's King and Queen Chapter, won the 1982 Creed Speaking Contest during the State FFA Convention. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William K. Powell of Shackelfords. Powell had previously won the Tidewater Federation and the Eastern Area contests.

The contestants recite the FFA Creed and then answer questions concerning portions of the creed and its meaning to FFA members.

The contest is sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Edward Long of Rockingham County. Powell received the Eastern Area plaque and the state award plaque. Other area winners receiving plaques were:

APPALACHIAN

Al Stephens, George Wythe

CENTRAL

Deborah Cash, Nelson Junior

NORTHERN

Karen Foltz, Luray

SOUTHSIDE

Amy McMillian, Amelia Middle

**National Farm Safety
Week Sept. 19-25**

Smith is Candidate

Andy Smith, of Ruther Glen in Hanover County, is Virginia's candidate for national FFA office this year. He was named the official candidate following a series of interviews conducted during the state convention.

Smith is the 20 year old son of Samuel and Betty Smith. A graduate of Patrick Henry High School, he attends J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College near Richmond. He plans to continue his education at Virginia Tech with career objectives of becoming a vocational agriculture teacher and, perhaps, returning to the family dairy farm.

Smith will be interviewed in Kansas City during the National FFA Convention by a committee of delegates from several states. Near the end of the convention, candidates are nominated and elected to serve as members of the six-officer team. If elected, Smith will travel more than 300 days of the year, representing the FFA on a national and international tour.

Virginia has had three national officers in recent years. Alpha Trivette served as National President in 1974-75. Doug Rinker was elected to serve as National President for the 1979-80 term and Melanie Burgess is currently serving as National Vice-President. In addition, Don Trimmer, from Maryland, was a student at Virginia Tech when he was elected National Vice-President to serve with Doug Rinker.

Pence Wins Public Speaking

Steve Pence is the 1982 state champion of the Prepared Public Speaking Contest. Pence, a graduate of Spotswood High School in the Northern Area, competed against four other contestants during the state convention in June. He had previously won his federation and area contests to earn a berth in the state event.

The state award in the Prepared Public Speaking Contest is sponsored by the FMC Foundation as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Pence received a National Foundation check for \$100.00. Area winners received checks co-sponsored by Southern States Cooperative and the Virginia Association FFA.

Area winners were:

APPALACHIAN
Myra Newman, Carroll County
CENTRAL
Jeff Goff, Nelson Senior
EASTERN
Cris Eastep, Prince George
SOUTHSIDE
Greg Maxey, Amelia Senior

Blake Wins Fish and Wildlife Award

The 1982 state winner of the Fish and Wildlife Management Award is W. Broaddus Blake of the Lancaster FFA Chapter. This award, sponsored by Philip Morris, Inc., through the National FFA Foundation, was presented during the State FFA Convention.

Blake has conducted an outstanding supervised occupational experience program with heavy emphasis on fish and wildlife management. He conducted a number of enterprises in crabbing and oystering. He also received placement work experience in a seafood processing plant. Blake has been an outstanding leader in his FFA chapter during his five years as a FFA member. He received a certificate and a National FFA Foundation check for \$100.

The four other area winners received certificates and a Virginia Association FFA check for twenty dollars. Area winners in Fish and Wildlife are:

APPALACHIAN AREA
Lee Roy Rutherford,
Independence High School
EASTERN AREA
William Heywood,
Gloucester High School
NORTHERN AREA
Kathy Ann Moyer,
Broadway High School
SOUTHSIDE AREA
Ralph L. David,
Randolph Henry High School

Broadway Is First In Safety

The Broadway FFA Chapter of Rockingham County was declared the 1982 State Winner in Chapter Safety at the 56th State FFA Convention.

All members of the chapter participated in various activities designed to improve safety in the home and school and on the farm and highways.

Farms and homes were surveyed and safety hazards were corrected. A special committee was organized as part of the Program of Work to plan specific safety activities for the year and to maintain a file of materials.

The Chapter's main safety project was providing instruction in vo-ag classes on safe use of lawn mowers, tractors, chain saws, pesticides, and woodstoves. A Keep Virginia Green crew was trained and instruction was given on silo gases, campfire safety, electrical safety, general shop safety, and home fire safety. Two FFA meetings were devoted to fire safety.

The chapter also held a safety poster contest and assisted the young farmers in training the local rescue squad in using a gas cutting torch. Chapter members assisted the local fire department in a fund raising supper. The chapter biennially sponsors a hunters safety course through the Virginia Game Commission at Broadway High School for all 9th and 10th graders. The chapter also sold smoke alarms and fire extinguishers to its members.

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Montevideo Intermediate Top Junior Chapter

The Montevideo Intermediate FFA Chapter of Penn Laird, in Rockingham County, was named the top Junior Chapter during the State FFA Convention held on the Virginia Tech Campus in Blacksburg.

The chapter consists of 62 members, all eighth and ninth graders.

In August, the chapter conducted an officer retreat with Marc VanPelt as guest speaker for the Officer Leadership Workshop.

In September, a program of work was adopted and 14 committees were appointed. Every member served on a committee with specific objectives written in the program of work.

The chapter is a 100% membership chapter, with all members participating in two or more activities during the year.

The chapter participated in 8 federation contests, 3 area, and 3 State FFA contests. All chapter members wrote and

gave speeches in class and all members participated in parliamentary procedure training. The chapter had team try outs and won the federation, area and state contests. Three members attended the State Leadership Conference and 2 members represented the chapter at the National FFA Convention. Thirty chapter members attended the Ag Ed Society Leadership Workshop in October.

The chapter had three state officers and the Eastern Regional Vice President, Melanie Burgess, participate in leadership workshops, the annual banquet and FFA meetings.

A hay, grain and vegetable show was conducted by members. The chapter helped sponsor the Shenandoah Valley Livestock Show, a church campground project, a Rockingham County Fair project, a tree planting project and a fund raising project to contribute to five charitable organizations.

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The chapter received a state plaque and will be one of the six chapters submitted for national recognition. The five other chapters being submitted are Tunstall, Carroll County, Stonewall Jackson Junior, Essex and Spotswood.

Area winners received a plaque. They were:

APPALACHIAN
Carroll County
CENTRAL
Stonewall Jackson Junior
EASTERN
Essex
SOUTHSIDE
Tunstall

Keplinger is Poultry Winner

Vickie Keplinger, 18 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Keplinger of Criders, has been named state winner of the Poultry Production Proficiency Award. The award was presented during the State FFA Convention. Keplinger has completed four years of agricultural education at Broadway High School in Rockingham County, developing an outstanding program of broiler production in partnership with her parents. Her enterprises included over 826,000 broilers produced on contract for Rockingham Poultry Cooperative.

Vickie has been an active FFA member. She has been a member of the state and national champion FFA poultry judging teams, the state winning agribusiness team, and the state winning parliamentary procedure team. She was also a member of the top Dairy Bowl team in the Eastern Region Contest. Vickie won the State Farm Bureau Speaking Contest and a trip to the National Leadership Conference in Missouri. She has been president of the Broadway Chapter and the Rockingham Federation.

Vickie is active in her church and school organizations. She will attend Virginia Tech this fall and major in poultry science and veterinary medicine.

The \$100 check and certificate which Vickie received is sponsored through the National FFA Foundation General Fund. The other area winners received twenty dollar checks sponsored by the Virginia Association FFA. The area winners were:

APPALACHIAN AREA
Billy Talbert, Bland
CENTRAL AREA
Cletec Morse, Nelson
EASTERN AREA
Paul Franklin, Essex
SOUTHSIDE AREA
Timothy Knight, Tunstall

Fauquier Youth Wins Nursery Award

The 1982 state winner of the Nursery Operations Award is James Vincent Gearing of the Fauquier FFA Chapter. The award, sponsored by the Weyerhaeuser Company through the National FFA Foundation, was presented during the 56th State FFA Convention.

James has excelled in nursery operations since entering the horticulture program at Fauquier Technical Center. As part of his supervised occupational experience program, James has been working at a local nursery. Through the cooperative program, he has gained competencies in many areas of the nursery business. His goal is to eventually operate his own retail nursery.

Gearing received a National FFA Foundation check for \$100 and a certificate. Area winners received Virginia Association FFA checks for twenty dollars. Area winners in Nursery Operations are:

EASTERN AREA
James Albert Banks, King & Queen
NORTHERN AREA
Jeffrey Allen Moats, Turner Ashby

Barr Wins State Award

Douglas N. Barr of the Carroll County FFA Chapter was named the state winner of the Proficiency Award in Fruit and/or Vegetable Production. He was presented a certificate and a National FFA Foundation check for \$100 at the State FFA Convention. This award is sponsored by the Briggs and Stratton Corporation through the National FFA Foundation.

The state winner has completed five years as an agricultural education student at Carroll County High School. Douglas has earned over four thousand dollars in his entrepreneurship and wage earning supervised occupational experience program. He has developed many skills and competencies and his career objective is to become a vegetable farmer.

Douglas is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dorles Barr of Route 2, Hillsville.

Area winners received a certificate and a check for twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. Area winners were:

CENTRAL AREA
Paul Drumheller, Nelson
EASTERN AREA
Joseph Joyner, Prince George
NORTHERN AREA
Richard Kegley, Fort Defiance
SOUTHSIDE AREA
J. H. Reese, Jr., Halifax Senior

Recreation Award Won By Goebel

Christian E. Goebel, son of Nancy Goebel of Route 3, Luray, was presented the state Outdoor Recreation Proficiency Award at the first session of the State FFA Convention. Goebel is a member of the Luray FFA Chapter. He has been active in the last five years. His main interest has been in forestry where he served as a member of the forestry team. Through the chapter he received a forestry scholarship and has been active in many other chapter activities.

Among his outdoor interests are canoe racing, horseback riding, skiing, railsplitting and spelunking. He has also acted in two locally produced outdoor recreational films for educational t.v.

He was president of his senior class and also participated in track and drama. Christian works part-time at Shenandoah River Outfitters and Canoe Company, where he acts as a guide on canoe trips and builds canoes in the local shop. At the age of 15 he purchased stock in the company. He will attend Eastern Menonite College. A cash award of \$100.00 was presented to Christian from the White Farm Equipment Company through the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Area winners received a certificate and a check for twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. Area winners are:

APPALACHIAN
Gary Larrowe, Carroll County
CENTRAL
David Layman, Lancaster
EASTERN
Keith Acors, King and Queen
SOUTHSIDE
Gary Hutchinson, Amelia Senior



Broadway Chapter President, Vickie Keplinger, and Advisor, Dennis Smith, receive plaque as top chapter in Virginia.

1982

**NATIONAL CHAPTER AWARD
WINNERS**

**APPALACHIAN
AREA**

Bland
Rocky Gap
Carroll County
Hillsville Intermediate
St. Paul Intermediate
Woodlawn Intermediate
Clintwood
Ervinton
Floyd County
Galax
Giles
Narrows
Independence
Flatwoods
Jonesville
Pennington
Blacksburg
Christiansburg
Riner
Pulaski
Gate City
Rye Cove
Chilhowie
Marion Horticulture
Marion Junior
Rich Valley
Richlands
Abingdon
Holston
Holston Horticulture
Patrick Henry
George Wythe
Fort Chiswell
Rural Retreat

CENTRAL AREA

Albemarle
Burley Middle
Henley Middle
Jack Jouett
Leslie Walton Middle
Western Albemarle
Caroline Middle
Caroline
J. A. Oliver (Charles
City Co.)
Chesterfield Vo-Tech
Culpeper
Culpeper Junior

Hermitage Vo-Tech
King George
Lancaster
M. A. Fields (Louisa
Jr.)
Louisa Occupational
Madison
Nelson Junior
Nelson Senior
New Kent
Northumberland Junior
Northumberland Senior
Orange
Prospect Heights
Middle
Powhatan Vocational
Northern Neck
Regional Vo-Tech
Rappahannock
Richmond Co.
Intermediate
Courtland
Spotsylvania
Stafford
North Stafford

EASTERN AREA

Central
Brunswick Senior
Essex
Gloucester
Central (King & Queen)
King William
Northampton Junior
Northampton High
Prince George
N. B. Clements Junior
J. E. J. Moore Junior
Southampton Junior
Central (Sussex
County)

NORTHERN AREA

Buffalo Gap
Fort Defiance
Riverheads
S. G. Stewart Middle
Stuarts Draft
Stuarts Draft Middle
Valley Vo-Tech

Nokesville
Rockbridge
Broadway
Elkton Intermediate
J. C. Myers
Intermediate
J. W. Wayland
Intermediate
Montevideo
Intermediate
Spotswood
Turner Ashby
Central
Stonewall Jackson
Strasburg
Woodstock Middle

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Amelia
Amelia Junior
Amelia-Nottoway
Vo-Tech
Amherst Junior
Amherst Senior
Appomattox Senior
Appomattox Junior
Blairs Junior
Bluestone Junior
Bluestone Senior
Brookville
Buckingham Senior
Buckingham Junior
Charlotte Central
Middle
Chatham
Cumberland
Dan River
Drewry Mason
Franklin County
Gretna Junior
Gretna Senior
G. W. Carver
(Piedmont)
Halifax Junior
Halifax Senior
Jefferson Forest
J. J. Riegel Middle
Laurel Park

1982

**CHAPTER SAFETY AWARD
WINNERS**

**APPALACHIAN
AREA**

Carroll County
Rich Valley
Jonesville
Flatwoods
Pulaski County
George Wythe

CENTRAL AREA

Albemarle
Walton Middle
Burley Middle
Caroline
Chesterfield Vo-Tech
Culpeper Senior
A. R. Roane
William Monroe
Lee-Davis
Liberty Junior
Patrick Henry
Stonewall Jackson
Junior

**APPALACHIAN
AREA**

Jonesville
Galax
Blacksburg
Patrick Henry
Bland
Rocky Gap
Carroll County
Independence
George Wythe
Wythe County
Vocational
Clintwood
Rich Valley
Lee County Vocational
Wise County Tech
St. Paul
Shawsville
Narrows
Graham
Woodlawn
Thomas Walker

Lancaster
Louisa Occupational
Nelson Senior
Nelson Junior
Richmond County
Courtland
Spotsylvania
Stafford
North Stafford

EASTERN AREA

Essex
Greensville Junior
Greensville Vocational
Central (King &
Queen)
Northampton
Southampton Junior

NORTHERN AREA

Botetourt Intermediate
Broadway
Craig County
Central (Woodstock)
Fort Defiance

James Wood
Highland
Montevideo
Intermediate
R. E. Aylor Junior
Riverheads
Spotswood
Stonewall Jackson
Strasburg
Turner Ashby

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Appomattox Senior
Buckingham Junior
Buckingham Senior
Charlotte Central
Middle
Halifax County Junior
Halifax County Senior
Jefferson Forest
Liberty
Randolph-Henry
Rustburg Middle
Tunstall
William Campbell

100% MEMBERSHIP CHAPTERS

Lancaster
Louisa Junior
Nelson Junior
Nelson Senior
Northumberland Senior
Prospect Heights
Middle
Powhatan Vocational
Center
Northern Neck
Regional Vo-Tech
Richmond Co.
Intermediate
Rappahannock
Courtland
Spotsylvania
North Stafford

EASTERN AREA

Chesapeake Technical
Center
Dinwiddie High

Bath County
Botetourt Junior
Botetourt Vocational
James River
Lord Botetourt
Craig County
Herndon
James Wood
R. E. Aylor Middle
Highland County
Charles S. Monroe
Loudoun Valley
Page County
Nokesville
A. R. Burton Vo-Tech
Rockbridge County
Broadway
Elkton Intermediate
John C. Myers
Intermediate
Montevideo
Intermediate
Spotswood

Chesterfield Vo-Tech
Culpeper
Culpeper Junior
Fauquier Technical
Cedar-Lee Junior
Marshall Junior
William C. Taylor
Junior
Warrenton Junior
Fluvanna Senior
A. R. Roane
(Goochland Jr.)
Goochland Senior
William Monroe
Lee-Davis
Liberty Junior
Patrick Henry
Stonewall Jackson
Junior

Stuarts Draft
Stuarts Draft Middle
Valley Vo-Tech
Wilson Memorial
Bath County
Botetourt Junior
Lord Botetourt
James River
Clarke County
Craig County
W. R. Legge
James Wood
R. E. Aylor Junior
Highland
Loudoun County
Loudoun Valley
Monroe Vo-Tech
Luray
Page County

Jefferson Forest
J. J. Riegel Middle
Laurel Park
Liberty
Lunenburg Central
Lunenburg Junior
Monelison Junior
Nottoway County
Park View Senior
Park View Junior
Patrick County
Pittsylvania Co.
Vo-Tech
Prince Edward
Randolph-Henry
Rustburg Middle
Smith Mountain
Tunstall
William Campbell

Graham
Woodlawn
Thomas Walker
Ervinton
Haysi
Gate City
Sugar Grove
Tazewell
Rye Cove
Marion Jr.
Twin Springs

Chesapeake Technical
Center
Dinwiddie High
Gloucester Intermediate
Virginia Pen. Voc.
Tech. Center
(South Campus)
Windsor
Central (King & Queen)
Norfolk Tech.
Vocational Center
Northampton
Northampton Middle
J. E. J. Moore Jr.
Central (Sussex)
Virginia Beach Career
Devel. Center
P. D. Pruden Voc.
Technical Center
Rowanty Voc.
Technical Center

Montevideo
Intermediate
Spotswood
Turner Ashby
Central
Stonewall Jackson
Strasburg
Woodstock Middle
SOUTHSIDE AREA
Amelia Senior
Amelia/Nottoway
Vo-Tech
Amherst Junior
Appomattox County
Appomattox Middle
Blackstone Junior
Brookville
Buckingham County
Buckingham Junior
Cumberland
Dan River
Drewry Mason
Franklin County
Gretna Junior
Halifax Senior
Laurel Park
Liberty
Monelison Junior
Park View Middle
Rustburg Middle
William Campbell
William Campbell
Middle

CENTRAL AREA

Albemarle
Jack Jouett Middle
Henley Middle
Jackson P. Burley
Middle
Leslie Walton Middle
Western Albemarle
Caroline
Caroline Middle
Chesterfield Vo-Tech
Center
Cedar-Lee Junior
Fluvanna
Goochland
Lee-Davis
Liberty Junior
Patrick Henry
Stonewall Jackson
Junior
Hermitage Vo-Tech

NORTHERN AREA

Arlington Career
Center
Buffalo Gap
Fort Defiance
Riverheads
S. Gordon Stewart
Middle
Stuarts Draft High
Stuarts Draft Middle
Valley Vo-Tech
Wilson Memorial

1982 BOAC AWARD WINNERS

APPALACHIAN AREA

Gold

Carroll County
Jonesville

Silver

Rich Valley
Narrows

Bronze

Richlands
Independence (Grayson
Co.)

Area Awards

Rural Retreat
Pulaski County
Bland
Ervinton
Rocky Gap

CENTRAL AREA

Gold

Nelson Senior
Stonewall Jackson
Junior
Spotsylvania

Silver

Caroline
Patrick Henry
Nelson Junior

Bronze

Lee-Davis
Chesterfield Vo-Tech

Area Awards

Albemarle
Caroline Middle
A. R. Roane
Liberty Junior
Lancaster
Louisa Occupational
Madison
Stafford
North Stafford

EASTERN AREA

Gold

Essex

Silver

King & Queen

Bronze

Southampton Junior

Area Awards

Central (Accomack)
Gloucester
Northampton High
Northampton Middle

NORTHERN AREA

Gold

Broadway
James Wood
Turner Ashby

Silver

Strasburg
Spotswood
Botetourt Junior

Bronze

Stonewall Jackson
R. E. Aylor

Area Awards

Buffalo Gap
Riverheads
W. R. Legge
Highland
Page County
Nokesville
Montevideo

Intermediate
Central
Woodstock Middle

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Gold

Appomattox Senior
Gretna Junior

Silver

Halifax Senior
Randolph-Henry

Bronze

Central Middle
Bluestone Senior

Area Awards

Buckingham Senior
Buckingham Junior
Rustburg Senior
Rustburg Middle
Jefferson Forest
Liberty
Halifax Junior



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Yeatman Wins Horse Proficiency Award

Douglas S. Yeatman of Jefferson Forest High School, has been named state winner of the National FFA Foundation award for proficiency in horse production. Yeatman, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Yeatman of Forest.

The Horse Proficiency award is a special project of the National FFA Foundation sponsored by the American Quarter Horse Association.

The major portion of Douglas' occupational experience has been in the area of horse production. He has attended horse selection clinics and has been a participant in local horse shows. He and his father operate a small stable.

Yeatman received a certificate and a check for \$100 from the National FFA Foundation. Area winners received a certificate and a check for twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. Area winners in horse production were:

APPALACHIAN

Michael Conley, Clintwood

CENTRAL

Mashane M. Nini, Stafford

EASTERN

William Forrest Andrews, Essex

NORTHERN

Vernon B. Herring, Jr., Turner Ashby

Community Service Award Won by Broadway

The Broadway Chapter of Rockingham County has been named state winner in the FFA Community Service Award. This Northern Area chapter is composed of one hundred twenty-two FFA members and two advisors. During the school year they sponsored a crop and mechanics show, assisted with the Rockingham and Bergton Fairs, presented "Food For America" programs, distributed bird feed and rat bait, sponsored a pest control contest, conducted a safety program, and sponsored a clean-up campaign. They also donated to several charitable organizations, planted over thirteen thousand tree seedlings, completed several BOAC projects, and repaired and painted farm machinery for farmers.

The chapter was presented a check for \$25 from the Virginia State Grange in recognition of their achievement.

Reedy Wins Livestock Award

Steven W. Reedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Reedy of Linville, was presented the State Diversified Livestock Proficiency Award at the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg. Reedy is a member of the Broadway FFA Chapter in Rockingham County.

Reedy developed his livestock operation in partnership with his parents and older brother. During his four years in agricultural education at Broadway High

School, his enterprises included 55 commercial and registered cows, 6 show steers, 58 stocker steers, 4 registered Angus heifers, 11 brood sows, and 7 market hogs.

Reedy has been an active FFA member. He has been chairman of several committees and assistant treasurer of his chapter. He was a member of the state winning poultry judging team that placed fifth in the national contest and was a member of the third place livestock judging team in 1980. He has participated in stockmen's contests in Virginia and Pennsylvania. He is also active in church and community activities.

Reedy plans to enroll at Virginia Tech and study agricultural engineering. The \$100 cash award and certificate, sponsored through the National FFA Foundation by the A. O. Smith Harvestore Products, Inc., and Wayne Feeds, Division of Allied Mills, Inc., was presented to Steven in recognition of his accomplishments. The area award winners each received a check for twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. The area winners were:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Teena Green, Blacksburg

CENTRAL AREA

Carl E. Mitchell, Lee-Davis

EASTERN AREA

Todd Eastep, Prince George

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Jerry Lovell, Laurel Park

Yeatts Tops In Tobacco

Allen D. Yeatts of the Gretna Senior FFA Chapter has been named state winner of the Tobacco Production Individual Award. The award is a special project of the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company.

Yeatts, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Yeatts, Jr., Route 3, Gretna in Pittsylvania County.

Yeatts produced thirteen acres of flue-cured tobacco as part of his occupational experience program. A yield of 2119 pounds per acre was obtained.

He received a plaque and a check for \$300 as state winner. The area winners each received a plaque and \$100. Area winners in tobacco production were:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Steve Doss, Holston

CENTRAL AREA

Dennis Washington, Caroline

EASTERN AREA

Euphrin Hawes, King and Queen

May Wins Soil and Water Conservation

Keith May, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everette May, Jr., of Bergton, won the State Soil and Water Proficiency Award at the 56th State FFA Convention. May is a member of the Broadway FFA Chapter of Rockingham County.

During his four years of agricultural education, Keith has been engaged in more than 35 productive enterprises with emphasis on soil and water management. He has installed a spring water system, constructed windbreaks, planted grasses on slopes, installed a drainage system, and presented talks on soil and water management. Keith works closely with the soil conservation personnel in planning his soil and water management program.

May has been an active FFA member having served as reporter, vice president, and treasurer of his chapter. He is also an active member and treasurer of his church youth group, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, secretary and treasurer of the One Way Club, and vice president of the National Honor Society. He has participated in many FFA contests and has attended the state leadership conference. He has won a scholarship to the Holiday Lake Forestry Camp.

Keith plans to attend Virginia Tech and then return to the farm.

A certificate and \$100 sponsored through the National FFA Foundation by the Ford Motor Company Fund, was presented to Keith in recognition of his accomplishments. The area winners received a certificate and Virginia Association FFA check for twenty dollars. Area winners were:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Paul Orr, Jonesville

CENTRAL AREA

Regina Cooper, Fauquier

EASTERN AREA

Robert Taylor, Essex

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Quentin Wilson, Jefferson Forest

Clintwood Wins Chapter Forestry

The Clintwood FFA Chapter was named the state winner in the Chapter Forestry Contest. They were presented a plaque and a check for \$40.00 at the State FFA Convention. This award is sponsored by the Virginia Forestry Association, Inc., and the Virginia Association FFA.

The Clintwood Chapter conducted an outstanding program in forestry. Exhibits were placed at fairs, school and local businesses. The chapter engaged in an active public relations program that included news articles, radio programs, and bulletin boards. Chapter members completed 255 forestry conservation practices, spent 7868 hours on forestry practices, and realized an income of over \$13,000 for chapter members. Ninety-five percent of the 101 members conducted forestry projects as a part of their supervised occupational experience program.

Boothe First In Home and Farmstead Improvement

Wilbert Boothe of the Liberty FFA Chapter has been named state winner of the FFA Proficiency Award for Home and/or Farmstead Improvement.

Boothe, 17, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Harman of Route 6, Bedford.

The FFA Proficiency Award in Home and/or Farmstead Improvement is a special project of the National FFA Foundation sponsored by the Agricultural Division of the Upjohn Company.

Boothe devoted many hours to the development of an outdoor living area by constructing picnic tables, lawn chairs, gates and fences. He has also painted the home and several outdoor buildings. He has improved the farm driveway and constructed and repaired farmstead fences.

Boothe received a National FFA Foundation check for \$100 and a certificate. The area winners received twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA and a certificate. Area winners in Home and/or Farmstead Improvement were:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Eddie French, John S. Battle

CENTRAL AREA

David Patrick Balderson, Lee-Davis

EASTERN AREA

Wilbert Banks, King and Queen

NORTHERN AREA

Steven L. Weaver, Stonewall Jackson

Carroll County placed second receiving \$30, while \$20 was awarded to third place Caroline. Fourth place, and \$10, was awarded to Strasburg.

The area winners were:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Clintwood

CENTRAL AREA

Caroline

EASTERN AREA

Essex

NORTHERN AREA

Strasburg

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Gretna Junior

Shenk Wins State Award

Dwight Shenk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Danny Shenk of Cross Junction, was presented the State Agriculture Sales and/or Service Proficiency Award at the State FFA Convention in Blacksburg. Shenk is a member of the James Wood FFA Chapter of Frederick County in the Northern Area.

Dwight has served as president of the W. R. Legge FFA Chapter and secretary, reporter, and president of the James Wood Chapter. He has attended three state leadership camps and three national FFA conventions. Dwight has participated on four parliamentary procedure teams and was named All State President of the 1982 state winning parliamentary procedure team, which will compete in the national contest this fall.

Dwight works for Old McDonalds Farm Market accumulating 4374 hours of supervised occupational experience training. While working at the market, Dwight has gained experience as a nursery stock salesman and care taker, Christmas tree salesman, on-site landscaper, and produce salesman, grader and packager.

Dwight will attend Virginia Tech this fall and major in agriculture education. The Agriculture Sales and/or Service Proficiency Award is sponsored by Allis-Chalmers Corporation, through the National FFA foundation which provided Dwight's check for \$100. Each area winner received a check for twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. The area winners are:

APPALACHIAN

Craig R. Melton, Carroll County

CENTRAL

Gordon Shelton, Stafford

EASTERN

Mitchell Parker, Essex

SOUTHSIDE

Jeffrey Arrington, Liberty

Phillips is Beef Production Winner

Martha A. Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul W. Phillips of Route 3, Harrisonburg, was presented the State Beef Proficiency Award at the FFA Convention. Phillips is a member of the Broadway FFA Chapter of Rockingham County.

Martha has completed four years of agricultural education and her beef enterprises have been 156 registered Angus cows, 106 registered Angus bulls, 82 registered Angus heifers, 9 show steers, and 72 calves. Martha farms in partnership with her father and older brother and assists in the management of the beef operation. She is in charge of registering, weighing, showing, marketing, and selecting replacements for the herd. She also has worked as a custom fitter in fitting and showing beef cattle for other breeders.

Martha has been a very active FFA member. She served the chapter as sentinel and reporter. She placed high in several stockmen's contests and was a member of the 4th place State FFA dairy judging team. She is a member of the Virginia and American Angus Associations and the Polled Hereford Association. This fall she will attend Virginia Tech and major in animal science.

The \$100 cash award and certificate, sponsored through the National FFA Foundation by Nasco and Sperry-New Holland, was presented to Martha in recognition of her accomplishments. The four other area winners received twenty dollar checks from the Virginia Association FFA. The area winners are:

APPALACHIAN AREA

Tim Dean, Jonesville

CENTRAL AREA

Michael Shifflett, Madison

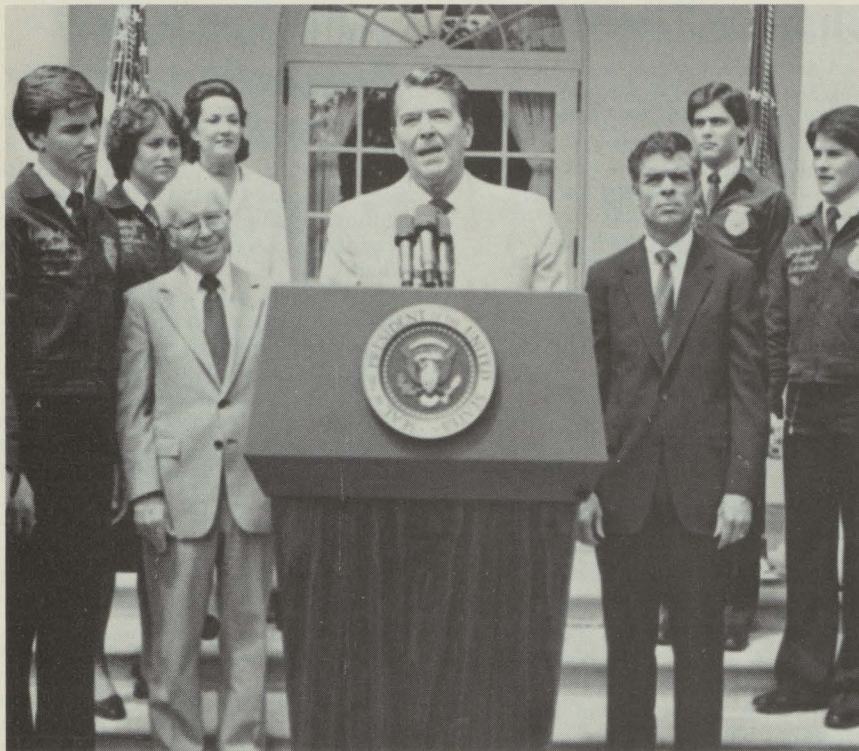
EASTERN AREA

Cristy Eastep, Prince George

SOUTHSIDE AREA

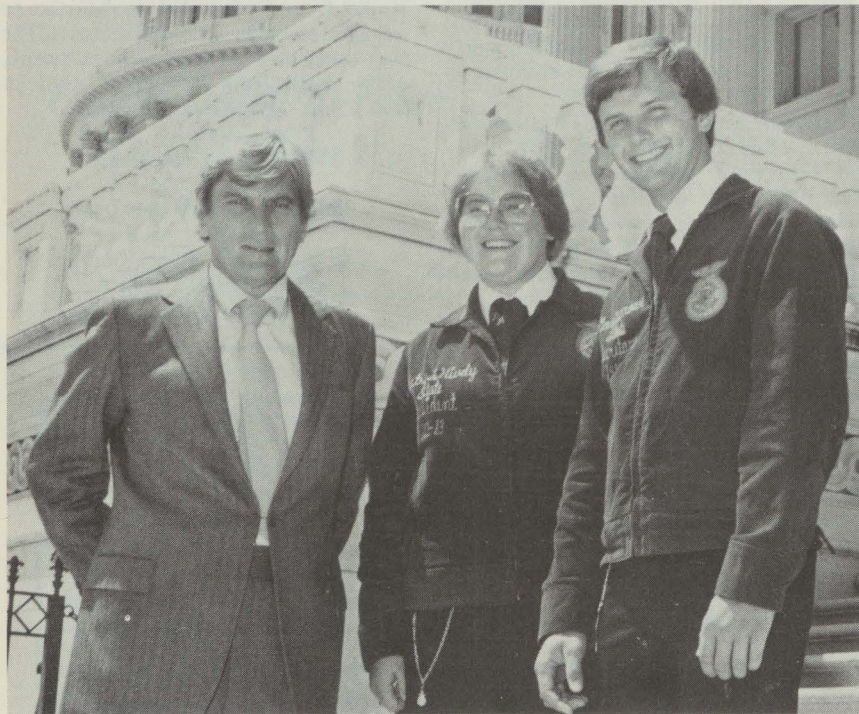
Allen Yeatts, Gretna Senior





Reagan Addresses FFA

Melanie Burgess, National FFA Vice-President from Harrisonburg, VA, (2nd from left) listens as President Reagan addresses the participants in the State President's Conference and the Supervised Occupations Experience Workshop in the White House Rose Garden. Shown in the photo are (l. to r.) Randy Hedge, National Vice-President; Melanie; Terrel Bell, U. S. Secretary of Education; Mrs. Robert Dole; Reagan; Secretary of Agriculture John Block; National President Scott Neasham; National Vice-President Jack Stewart.



Cathy Hively and Gary Larrowe with Senator John Warner on the Capitol steps in Washington, DC.

Hively and Larrowe Meet President Reagan

Cathy Hively and Gary Larrowe, Virginia FFA President and Secretary, met with President Reagan July 17 during special ceremonies at the White House Rose Garden. The ceremonies were held in conjunction with the FFA State Presidents' Conference.

Thanking the FFA members for their help in building a stronger agriculture, Reagan said, "America needs your kind of leadership. America also needs your contributions in farming and agribusiness."

Following Reagan's speech, the National FFA Officers presented him a plaque commemorating the White House visit and bestowed upon him the Honorary American Farmer Degree.

Agriculture Secretary John Block and Secretary of Education Terrel Bell also addressed the group at the White House. Block, himself a former FFA member, cited great opportunities ahead for FFA members as they enter careers in agriculture.

"Take the leadership that you have taken to date, and you'll find that responsibility will be thrust on your shoulders... it'll just end up there," Block said. "You won't necessarily have to make it happen — it'll fall upon your shoulders. And you're strong and you're young and you're enthusiastic and you're persistent, and you're going to carry that load. And that's the future of this country."

Bell welcomed the group on behalf of the U. S. Department of Education, saying, "The ideal principles in education are applied by FFA. The motivation, the opportunity to apply what you learn, to apply scientific research and to stay up to date and to get plenty of opportunity for reward for effort — all of that belongs in the FFA program."

The FFA State Presidents' Conference, sponsored by General Motors Corporation as a special project of the National FFA Foundation, Inc., brings together state FFA officers from all 50 states and Puerto Rico for a week-long conference designed to help them improve their leadership abilities.

While in the nation's capital, the FFA officers hosted a Congressional Breakfast to thank Senators and Representatives for their support of vocational agriculture education. They also participated in dedication ceremonies for the new FFA National Hall of Achievement at the National FFA Center in Alexandria, toured historic points of interest around Washington, D.C., and attended a theatrical performance at the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

Spotswood Wins Wildlife Contest

The Spotswood FFA Chapter of Penn Laird, in Rockingham County, was named the winner in the State Chapter Wildlife Contest during the fourth session of the State FFA Convention.

Ninety-five percent of the 123 chapter members conducted wildlife conservation projects. The chapter's wildlife committee, a division of the community service committee, was instrumental in establishing and implementing objectives for wildlife conservation as part of the chapter program of activities.

One chapter meeting was devoted to wildlife conservation. Over one thousand pounds of feed was mixed and distributed in the community for the winter feeding of birds. A big game contest was held for chapter members. The chapter

distributed 500 copies of National Hunting and Fishing Day Magazine to Ruritan Club and FFA chapter members in the Spotswood school community. The chapter maintains a perennial wildlife food plot adjacent to the chapter forest. The chapter assisted the Rockingham-Izaac Walton League in distributing 60 pounds of wildlife seed mixture to chapter members for planting wildlife food patches. School bulletin boards were used to promote activities related to wildlife conservation.

The chapter received a plaque and a check for \$40. Clintwood placed second, receiving an area plaque and \$30, with third place Caroline receiving \$20. Ten dollars was awarded to Strasburg which placed fourth.

The top area chapters in Wildlife were:

APPALACHIAN AREA
Clintwood
CENTRAL AREA
Caroline
EASTERN
Essex
NORTHERN AREA
Strasburg
SOUTHSIDE AREA
Gretna Junior

Wagner Wins Dairy Award

Jeff Wagner, of the Fort Defiance Chapter was named state winner of the Dairy Proficiency Award during the State FFA Convention. During his five years of vocational agriculture/FFA, he has served as Secretary and President of his chapter and Secretary of the Augusta Federation.

Wagner's occupational experience program centers around forty-five registered Hostein dairy cattle. He has 100% ownership in 14 head, and 50% ownership in the other thirty one. The Wagner Farm, "Rilara Holsteins," is on 286 acres with 139 cows in the milking herd. The herd average is over 18,000 lbs. of milk per cow with 608 lbs. of butterfat. Almost all of Wagner's cow, heifer, and bull projects are from top Holstein bloodlines. In addition, he handles many of the chores on the dairy farm including operating all farm equipment, inseminating cows, operating the farm's computerized feeding and record keeping system, and routine milking practices. The sale of purebred cows and calves is an important part of his occupational experience program.

He received a certificate and a National FFA Foundation check for \$100.00. The award is sponsored by American Breeders Service, AVCO New Idea and DeLaval Agricultural Division.

Area winners received a Virginia Association FFA check for \$20.00 and a certificate. Area winners were:

APPALACHIAN
Eric Whalen, Rural Retreat
CENTRAL
William Catlett, Spotsylvania
SOUTHSIDE
Connie Krantz, Appomattox

Garrett Wins Crop Award

Steven A. Garrett is the 1982 winner of the state Crop Production Proficiency Award. Garrett, a member of the Caroline FFA Chapter, was honored during the state convention in Blacksburg.

Garrett's supervised experience program included corn, wheat and soybeans during each of his five years in the FFA. He uses some of the latest management practices and marketing practices.

He is a 1982 graduate of Caroline High School in the Central Area.

The Crop Production Award is sponsored by the Massey Ferguson Corporation through the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Garrett received a certificate and a National Foundation check for \$100.00.

Area winners received Virginia Association checks for twenty dollars. Area winners were:

APPALACHIAN
Roger Elkins, Jonesville
EASTERN
Howard Chandler, King & Queen
NORTHERN
Charles Funkhouser, Spotswood
SOUTHSIDE
Glen McClenny, Appomattox



Gayle Rice, Virginia Farm Bureau Queen congratulates Quentin Wilson for winning state Extemporaneous Contest.

Persinger Wins Forestry Award

Owen L. Persinger, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Owen L. Persinger, Jr., of Route 2, Eagle Rock, was presented the State Forestry Management Proficiency Award at the third session of the 56th State FFA Convention. Owen is a member of the James River FFA Chapter of Botetourt County.

About four years ago Owen inherited a Homelite chainsaw and bought a small area of pine forest. In his first year of operation, Owen had to hire someone to do hauling. Owen then purchased a truck and started hauling logs. Owen has returned profits to the operation and he now has a two-ton truck, loader and a skidder. His most recent purchase has been a half-ton pickup truck which he uses to haul tools, saws and fuel. In addition to hauling logs, he also sells firewood to boost his weekly wood checks.

Owen has served as chaplain, treasurer, secretary and vice president of his FFA Chapter. He has also participated in leadership conferences and attended the state convention each year of his membership. The \$100 cash award and certificate were sponsored through the National FFA Foundation by the Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation.

Each area award winner received a certificate and a Virginia Association FFA check for twenty dollars. Area winners were:

APPALACHIAN
Randall Moore, Carroll County
CENTRAL
Harlin B. Brown, Spotsylvania
EASTERN
Wayne Weeden, King and Queen
SOUTHSIDE
Donald Flood, Buckingham Senior

James Wood Top Energy Chapter

The James Wood FFA Chapter of Winchester, in Frederick County, has been named the top energy chapter in the Eastern Region. The major objective of the chapter was to promote energy awareness and conservation throughout the school and local community.

With the assistance of over 325 chapter members and the cooperation of local businesses, utility companies, volunteer groups and community organizations, the chapter was able to reach its goal of promoting energy savings and increasing the level of energy awareness.

During the course of the year, a wide range of projects was carried out by the chapter. The following is a list of some of the major energy projects that were conducted.

1. Assisted with the organization of the first community volunteer corporation, known as SAVE (Shenandoah Area Volunteers for Energy, Inc.).
2. Constructed a solar hot water system for the greenhouse in the agricultural department.
3. Celebrated Energy Awareness Week in conjunction with National FFA Week.
4. Conducted six energy-mini demonstrations in a local shopping mall.
5. Sponsored an energy poster contest on recycling - The Energy Alternative.
6. Conducted over 400 home energy surveys on how to cut home energy costs.
7. Sold over 35 pickup loads of firewood.
8. Recycled 28 tons of newspapers.
9. Distributed 8,000 energy saving pamphlets to the public.
10. Winterized over 25 homes for the elderly and low income families.

Sheep Award Won Rankin Wins Award By Shumate

Charles Jeffrey Shumate, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis W. Shumate of McDowell, Virginia, has been named winner of the State Sheep Proficiency Award. Jeffrey is a member of the Highland FFA Chapter of Highland County.

While enrolled at Highland High School, Jeffrey has conducted an outstanding supervised occupational experience program. He started with two commercial ewes and built his flock up to fifty ewes. Jeffrey plans to increase his commercial flock of ewes to 125 head and start a partnership with his father.

In addition, Jeffrey has been an active member in his local FFA chapter, participating in parliamentary procedure, live-stock judging, and public speaking contests, and many chapter committees. He has demonstrated his leadership abilities by serving as chapter reporter and representing the chapter on the Allegheny FFA Federation as a member of the Board of Directors.

He received a National FFA Foundation check for \$100, sponsored by the American Sheep Producers Council, Carnation Company Milling Division and Y-Tex Corporation. The area winners received a check for twenty dollars from the Virginia Association FFA. The area winners are:

APPALACHIAN AREA
Gary Ritchie, Holston
CENTRAL AREA
Glascoe Ferguson, Nelson
EASTERN AREA
Martin Merkel, Brunswick Senior
SOUTHSIDE AREA
Thomas Gilliam, Appomattox

Eugene Rankin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Rankin of Route 1, Crimora, was presented the State Placement in Agricultural Production Award at the State FFA Convention held in Blacksburg. Rankin is a member of the Fort Defiance FFA Chapter of Augusta County.

Rankin has been employed by Breezy Knoll Dairy of New Hope for two years where he has compiled 3,400 hours of work experience. Rankin's training program has included milking practices, field crop work, feeding dairy cattle, machinery operation and maintenance, and farm business management.

In the FFA, Rankin has participated in many leadership activities, including serving as chapter vice president and president, and federation vice president. He has attended local, state and national FFA leadership conferences.

In addition to his FFA activities, Rankin is involved in the National Honor Society, and S.O.D.A. and S.C.A. groups. He plans to enroll in Virginia Tech this fall and major in agricultural economics.

Rankin received a National FFA Foundation check for \$100 and a state certificate. Other area winners received twenty dollars and a certificate. Others named as area winners were:

APPALACHIAN
Mark Mitchell, Abingdon
CENTRAL
Roy Douglas Sullivan, III, Stafford
EASTERN
Charles Stout, Dinwiddie Senior
SOUTHSIDE
Ben Bowman, Franklin County



James Wood Chapter is Energy Challenge winner.

Mechanics Won by Painter

Todd L. Painter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry A. Painter of Route 2, Luray, was presented the state Agricultural Mechanics Proficiency Award at the first session of the FFA Convention. Some of his accomplishments were: overhauled and repaired a number of small engines and lawn mowers; overhauled automobile engines; build 4 modified tractors for tractor pulls; and worked with pit crews for 4 years at the tractor pulls. Todd is a member of the Luray FFA Chapter where he served as vice president and chairman of the recreation committee. He was also Star Chapter Greenhand. Todd participated in the federation mechanics judging contest for four years. He was a member of the crops, livestock, soils, and parliamentary procedure teams. In 1980-81, he was selected as the outstanding member of the local chapter. A \$100 cash award was presented to Todd from the International Harvester Agricultural Equipment Group, through the National FFA Foundation, Inc. Each area winner received a certificate and a check for twenty dollars. The other area winners are:

APPALACHIAN
Michael Lafon, Blacksburg
CENTRAL
Kevin Fulks, Spotsylvania
EASTERN
Steven Bareford, Essex
SOUTHSIDE
Ronald Sanderson, Jefferson Forest

JUDGING CONTEST RESULTS

DAIRY JUDGING

- Spotswood**
Tonja Cupp
Ronda Grimsley
Dwight Newman
D. W. Newman, Coach
- Nokesville**
Ronnie Croushorn
Kevin Long
Mike Lyn
B. N. Douglas, Coach
- Turner Ashby**
Robbie Kline
Teresa Myers
Allen Shank
C. C. Shiflet, Jr., Coach
- Blacksburg**
Kim Abashian
Phil Abashian
Gary Akers
Rudy Haden, Coach
- Carroll County**
Randall Good
Jerry Bolt
Terry Coalson
G. L. McGrady, Coach
- Fort Defiance**
Stewart Detamore
Mike Kegley
Sam Arey
W. L. Simmons, Coach

FLORICULTURE

- Pittsylvania Vo-Tech**
Steve Dalton
Judy Jefferson
Tina Osborne
James Cromer, Coach
- James Wood**
Cindy Walters
June Whipp
Tommy Hawkins
A. T. Andruzzi, Coach
- Marion Senior**
Dennis Pruitt
Deanna Watson
Peggy Atwell
Wilburn Harris, Coach
- Chesapeake Tech**
Susan Bilskis
Robert Royster
April Fretwell
R. B. Carmean, Coach
- Colonial Heights**
David Zecca
Lisa Brown
Sheri Uzzle
Terry Lautzenhiser, Coach

NURSERY/LANDSCAPE

- James Wood**
Lewis Boyer
Daryl Gutberlet
Christine Orndoff
A. T. Andruzzi, Coach
- Lee-Davis**
Ronda Jones
Brian Wagner
Cynthia Dawson
Pete Hohman, Coach

- Pittsylvania Vo-Tech**
Connie Atkins
Joe Stowe
Diane Anderson
James Cromer, Coach
- Nelson Senior**
Paul Drumheller
L. E. Humphreys
Curtis Painter
Ed McCann, Coach
- Dinwiddie**
Karen Westmoreland
Vickie Smith
Stacy Coburn
N. C. Olgers, Coach

HORTICULTURE (combined Floriculture and Nursery/Landscape scores)

- James Wood**
- Pittsylvania Vo-Tech**
- Chesapeake Tech**

LIVESTOCK JUDGING CONTEST

- Fort Defiance**
C. J. Botkin
Ed Marvel
Wes Freed
M. K. Auville, Coach
 - Riverheads**
 - Broadway**
 - Montevideo Intermediate**
 - Central (Woodstock)**
- Five High Scoring Members**
- C. J. Botkin, Ft. Defiance**
 - Matthew Frederickson, Riverheads**
 - Michael Edwards, Grayson Co. Voc.**
 - Ed Marvel, Ft. Defiance**
 - Alan Earhart, Riverheads**

CROPS JUDGING

- Rustburg**
- William Campbell**
- Nelson County**
- Randolph-Henry**
- Luray**

HIGHEST SCORING MEMBERS

- Sharon Foltz, Luray**
- Rob Thurmond, Staunton River**
- Brian Hayes, Amelia Middle**
- Tracie McMillian, Amelia Middle**
- (tie) Kirk Owens, Rustburg**
- (tie) Ricky Cheatham, William Campbell**

FARM BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

- Fort Defiance**
Kenny Fretwell
Winston Phillips
Wilmer Phillips
M. K. Auville, Coach
- Carroll County**
- James Wood**
- Broadway**
- Appomattox Senior**

POULTRY JUDGING

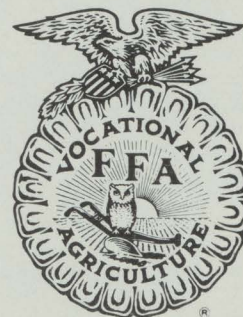
- Broadway**
Keith May
Todd Bailey
Douglas Harrison
James Hively, Coach

AGRICULTURAL MECHANICS

- James Wood**
Gary Pauly
Mike Rinard
Kenny Unger
R. L. Sutphin, Coach
- Dan River**
Mike Nuckles
Dennis Clark
Weldon Morris
- Lee-Davis**
David Balderson
Kirk Lindsey
Chuck McGhee
- Carroll County**
Jimmy Carpenter
Doug Barr
Barry Kenny
- Appomattox Senior**
Richard Conner
John Booker
Dale Schrock

AGRIBUSINESS CONTEST

- Turner Ashby**
Natalie Liskey
James Shiflet
- Fort Defiance**
Jeff Weaver
Jeff Wagner
- (tie) Central (Woodstock)**
Joe Bowman
Guy Gochenour
- (tie) James Wood**
Angie Brewer
Ronald Barnes
- Strasburg**
Mark Strosnider
Robbie Smith



Scott is Champion

Joan Scott, a member of the Montevideo Intermediate Chapter, won the 1982 Junior Prepared Public Speaking Contest during the state FFA convention in June. Scott competed against four contestants who represented their supervisory areas of the state. Scott is from the Northern Area.

She received a plaque from the Virginia Association FFA and a scholarship to attend the Washington Conference Program in August. The scholarship is sponsored by the Virginia, Maryland and Delaware Electric Cooperative Association through the National FFA Foundation, Inc.

Area winners received plaques sponsored by the Virginia Association FFA. Area winners were:

APPALACHIAN
Greg Genova, Floyd County
CENTRAL
Bernie Adcock, Nelson Junior
EASTERN
Michael Hughes, Essex
SOUTHSIDE
Tim Hamilton, Monelison Junior

Clowdis Wins Swine Award

William Glenn Clowdis, Jr., of the William Campbell FFA Chapter, has been named state winner of the FFA award for Swine Production. Clowdis, 18, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Clowdis, Sr., of Red House in Campbell County.

The proficiency award in Swine Production is a special project of the National FFA Foundation sponsored by Pfizer, Inc.

William is part owner of a fifty-eight head swine operation. He has exhibited animals in several local and area livestock shows. In addition to his swine herd, he has enterprises in corn, barley, wheat, soybeans and tobacco.

In recognition of his achievement, he was presented a certificate and a National FFA Foundation check for \$100. Each area winner received a certificate and a Virginia Association FFA check for twenty dollars. Area winners in Swine Production are:

APPALACHIAN
Jeff Dean, Jonesville
CENTRAL
David Chenault, Caroline
EASTERN
Stanley Langford, Essex
NORTHERN
David Allen Kirby, Wilson Memorial

PUBLIC RELATIONS CHAPTERS 1982

APPALACHIAN AREA

Gold

Carroll County

Bronze

Holston
Rich Valley

Public Relations

Jonesville
Patrick Henry
Giles County
Pulaski County
Rural Retreat
Narrows

CENTRAL AREA

Gold

Caroline
Lee-Davis
Stonewall Jackson Junior
Nelson Senior

Silver

Lancaster
Spotsylvania

Bronze

William Monroe

Public Relations

Culpeper
Liberty Junior
Patrick Henry
North Stafford
Stafford

EASTERN AREA

Silver

Essex

Public Relations

Northampton Middle
Southampton Junior

NORTHERN AREA

Gold

Fort Defiance
James Wood
R. E. Aylor Middle
Luray

Broadway
Montevideo Intermediate
Spotswood
Turner Ashby
Central

Silver

Buffalo Gap
Stonewall Jackson
Strasburg

Bronze

Riverheads
Botetourt Junior
Clarke County
Craig County
Highland County
Elkton Intermediate

Public Relations

W. R. Legge
Charles S. Monroe Vo-Tech
Page County

SOUTHSIDE AREA

Gold

Gretna Junior

Silver

Appomattox Senior
Laurel Park
Staunton River

Bronze

Amelia Junior
Blackstone Junior
Halifax County Senior
Tunstall

Public Relations

Amelia County Senior
Buckingham Junior
Halifax County Junior
Jefferson Forest
Liberty
William Campbell

Halifax Best In Tobacco

The work of the Halifax County Senior FFA Chapter has been judged best in the state in Tobacco Production. The chapter award is a special project of the Virginia Association FFA, sponsored by R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company. It is designed to recognize efficiency in tobacco production.

Twenty-two members of the Halifax County FFA chapter made individual entries in the tobacco production proficiency program. These members recorded an average of 1794 pounds per acre as well as other production efficiency practices.

The Halifax County Chapter received \$300 and a state plaque. The area winners each received \$100 and an area plaque. Other chapters recognized as area winners were:

APPALACHIAN AREA
Abingdon
CENTRAL AREA
Caroline
EASTERN AREA
King and Queen

FFA
