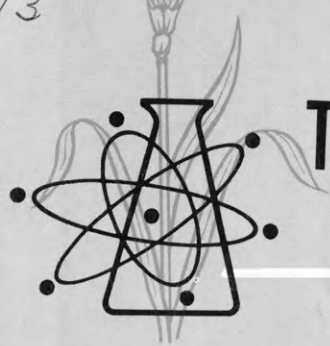


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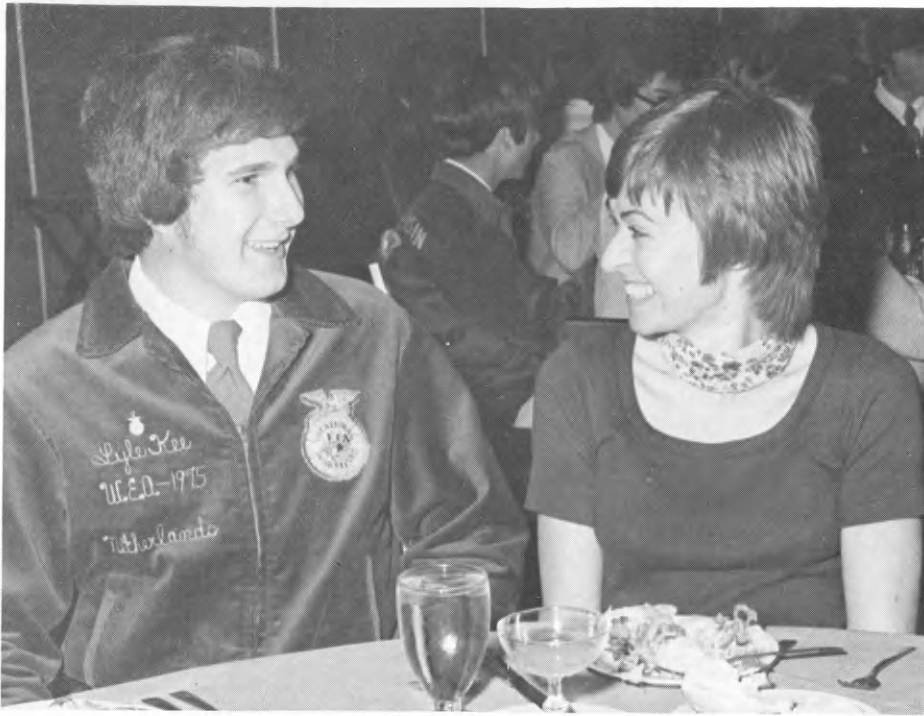
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COVER
Proficiency State Awardees

The fifteen FFA members pictured on the front cover were cited for outstanding accomplishments in the FFA Proficiency Award Program. Thirteen of the 15, who were first place winners, received a \$100 from the Future Farmers of America Foundation, Incorporated and will be competing on the Regional level for a \$250 award and hoping to be named National winner which includes a plaque and \$500 from the FFA Foundation.

The awardees were: Larry Lankard, first in Crop Production; Steve Handke, Atchison County, Home and Farmstead Improvement; Ross Montgomery, Sabetha, Beef Production; Steve Cranor, Labette County, Soil and Water Management; Jeff Bell, Smith Center, Swine Production; Stanley Horning, Smith Center, Placement in Agricultural Sales and/or Service; Curtiss Goodman, Sabetha, third in Crop Production; Susan Gatz, Newton, Sheep Production; Ted Blevins, Labette County, Ornamental Horticulture; John Greathouse, Paola, Placement in Agricultural Production; Mickey Morrel, Jayhawk-Linn, Dairy Production; Larry Stainbrook, Prairie View, Agricultural Electrification; Jeff Stroup, Prairie View, Livestock Production; Mike Mattas, Wilson, Agricultural Mechanics; and Rodger Smith, Southeast, second in Crop Production.

Larry Stainbrook's \$100 award for Agricultural Electrification was sponsored by Kansas Farm Electrification Council. (Grass and Grain Photo)



Ms. Ingrid Hamid, representing the Royal Embassy of the Netherlands in Washington, D.C., discusses agricultural and farm life in the Netherlands with Lyle Kee, Yates Center. Lyle is a participant summer in the Netherlands where he will live and work on a family farm.

Lyle Kee in Netherlands

Lyle Kee, of the Yates Center Chapter and past Southeast District President, departed for the Netherlands in June for his three month WEA participation. Work Experience Abroad (WEA) is sponsored by the National FFA organization and Lyle is one of 50 FFA members who will be involved in the summer exchange program.

The WEA gives FFA members an opportunity to become acquainted with students and adults in other nations. Participants live and work with host families, observing and using agricultural methods of their host country as they learn the history, culture, traditions, and life styles.



Their year is over and the 1974-75 State Officers exhibit their relief at the end of the State Convention. The plaques they are holding were presented by the Kansas FFA Alumni Association to the officers for their outstanding service to Kansas FFA. (Hale Photo)

National Wants to Know

The countdown has started. Are you ready? Like the old game of "Hide and Seek," ready or not, here it comes. Our Bicentennial year, 1976, is just a few months away. The National Future Farmer Magazine would like to share your Bicentennial-FFA activities with other FFA members and advisors. A special page in each issue will be used for this purpose.

Tell the National Future Farmer what your chapter is doing to celebrate. Just write it up, enclose pictures if you have any, and send it to Box 15130, Alexandria, Virginia 22309. Let everyone know the FFA is building on its proud heritage.

Livestock Conservation

A research paper on cattle disease and parasite problems won first place and an Accutron watch for John Greathouse from the Paola chapter in the Livestock Conservation Awards. Second place and a watch went to Deanna Raab of the Seaman chapter. Deanna's paper was on vitamins and their effect on livestock.

The Livestock Conservation Awards are sponsored by the Competitive Livestock Marketing Association and Livestock Conservation Incorporated.

Columbus is Top BOAC Chapter

Governor Robert Bennett presented the Governor's Citation to the Columbus Chapter and named them the top chapter in Kansas for 1975 for their Building Our American Communities activities. Columbus, along with Fort Scott and Hill City, will represent Kansas in the National BOAC competition.

Four other chapters were recognized as State Gold Emblem chapters in BOAC, they being: Clay Center, North Central, Norton, and Sabetha. State Silver Emblem BOAC chapters were: Paola, St. George, Smith Center, Westmoreland, and Wilson. State Bronze Emblem BOAC chapters were: Abilene, Girard, Lebanon, Oberlin, and Seaman.

FOOD FOR AMERICA IN HOLCOMB

Children at the Holcomb elementary schools are learning about agriculture from Holcomb High School vocational agriculture students who know from firsthand experience and study what agriculture is all about. The instructors for the elementary students are all members of the Holcomb FFA chapter, who are conducting the class in agriculture for elementary school children as part of the FFA's new "Food for America" program. Teachers were: Mark Roth, Bobby Knoll, Robert Adam, Larry Wasson, Bobby Danler, Tim Miller, Larry Holsted and Stan Linville.

"Food for America" is an effort by FFA chapters across the nation to tell the story of modern agriculture to elementary school children. Chapter members are being aided in their effort by a set of instructional resource materials that includes a *Farm Art Book* provided through the National FFA Organization. The *Farm Art Book* contains interesting illustrations of agricultural facts that students can color or illustrate themselves.

The entire "Food for America" project is co-sponsored through the National FFA Foundation, Inc., by four agricultural businesses: American Breeders Service, Division of W. R. Grace and Company; J I Case, A Tenneco Company; Chemagro Agricultural Division of Mobay Chemical Corporation, and DEKALB AgResearch, Inc.



A Holcomb grade school student cuddles a kid during the Holcomb FFA's Food for America program.

Funds from the sponsoring companies and from the FFA Foundation General Fund have been used to develop and distribute resource materials.

"We are concerned that so few young people understand where their food comes from," says Holcomb Chapter President Bobby Danler. "Our members are well qualified to help elementary school children learn about agriculture because of the knowledge

and experience we've gained in the classroom instruction. Following the classroom instruction, chapter members brought several farm animals to the school. Children had the opportunity to see and touch live farm animals. For many it was the first exposure to some of the animals that provide their daily food. Animals on display were: mare and colt, cow and calf, baby pigs, ewe and lambs, goat and kids, rabbits, cat and kittens and baby chicks.

Chapter Cooperative Activities

The Hill City Chapter captured the State Cooperative Activities Award, sponsored by the Kansas Cooperative Council. The first place earned a free trip for Joe Farrell, advisor, and one member to the American Institute of Cooperation to be held at Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan.

District winners in Cooperative Activities were: Southeast—1st, Fort Scott; 2nd, Girard; and 3rd, Labette County. North Central—1st, Wash-

ington; 2nd, Abilene; and 3rd, North Central. South Central—1st, Moundridge. East Central—1st, Paola; 2nd, Mission Valley; and 3rd, Seaman. Northwest—1st, Hill City; 2nd, Smith Center; and 3rd, Norton. Northeast—1st, Atchison County; and 2nd, Sabetha. Southwest—1st, Garden City and 2nd, Holcomb.

Each first place district winner received a plaque and \$50; second place received a plaque and \$35, and third place received a plaque and \$15.

MEMBERSHIP UP

The State and National membership figures show a significant increase at both levels. Kansas FFA membership for 1974-75 was 6940. This was an increase of 262 members over 1973-74 and 878 over 1972-73 membership.

National membership is up over 20,000 from 1973-74 to a record 485,793 for 1974-75.



Frank Buchman, Manhattan

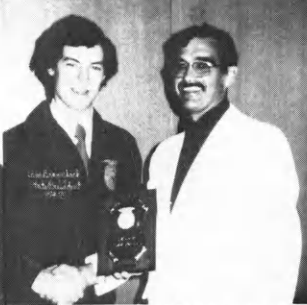
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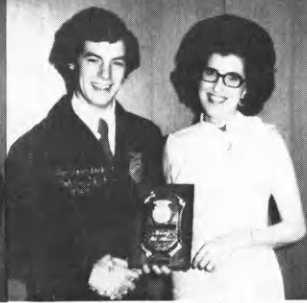
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Moundridge



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Professor Ralph Lipper,
Manhattan

Each year, the Kansas Association recognizes individuals who have rendered outstanding service to the organization. These persons may be school personnel, state government officials, persons in industry and other areas, who without their assistance and support, the FFA and vocational agriculture would be impossible to operate.

The 1975 Honorary State Farmers were: Mrs. Lu Achilles, Hesston Corporation; Dan Hoffman, WIBW TV & Radio, Topeka; Frank Buchman, Grass and Grain Magazine, Manhattan; Vester Essary, State Board of Agriculture, Topeka; Ron Hollandsworth, President of Kansas Vocational Agriculture Teachers Association, Wamego; Professor Ralph Lipper, Department of Agricultural Engineering, Kansas State University; Dr. Ernest Mader, Department of Agronomy, Kansas State University; Senator Joseph Harder, Chairman of the Senate Education Committee, Moundridge.

Four Vocational Agriculture instructors were also granted the degree, they being: T. D. Fanning, Mission Valley; Ed Zahn, Iola; Sam Harris, Garnett; and Wilbur Buntin, Erie.

Convention Tapes Available

Chapters can relive the 47th State Convention with both their ears and eyes. Public Speaking Finals, retiring addresses, and National officer address, as well as nearly all the rest of the convention was taped on both audio and video machines.

Chapters or individuals desiring copies of either type tape can send in a blank tape to: Dan Marrs, 120 E. 10th, Topeka, Kansas 66612. and the duplication will be made for no charge.

State Information Contest

The 1975 State FFA Information Contest, which will be held at the District Leadership Schools this fall, will be a comprehensive test of not only State and National FFA history, but will also cover awards and activities in which FFA members and chapters can participate.

References for the test will be: 1975 Official FFA Manual; Kansas Future Farmer Magazine, issues November 1974, May 1975, July 1975, and August 1975; National Future Farmer Magazine, June-July 1975 issue; Kansas FFA Activities and Awards Opportunities—1975-76; Mid-America and Kansas State Fair Handbook—1975; Chapter FFA Guide (yellow notebook); and FFA Activity Handbook (blue notebook). The test will be 100 questions in length.

Smith Center Top Par Law Team

Smith Center edged the Garnett chapter to win the \$100 and plaque from Federal Land Bank Associations of Kansas for being the top parliamentary procedure team at the 47th State FFA Convention.

Garnett received a plaque and \$75, while Sabetha, who placed third and Riley County, who placed fourth, received plaques and a \$50 check each. All State competitors, which also included Arkansas City, Jetmore, and Caney, received a check for \$40 for placing first in their respective districts. All awards were sponsored by Federal Land Bank Associations of Kansas.

1975 STATE FARMERS

One hundred and thirty-three Kansas FFA members were raised to the Degree of State Farmer. These members were: Atchison County—Ty Compton and Gary Rodvelt; Frankfort—Mick Perry; Marysville—Tim P. O'Neil; Royal Valley—Dale Edwards, Jim Joy, and Russell Kalcik; Sabetha—Curtis Goodman, Steve Goodman, Mike McClain, Robert Meyer, Ross Montgomery, Susan Montgomery, Alan Nickelson, and Richard Nickelson; Valley Heights—Mike Jacobson, Mike Parker, and Douglas Whitesell; Wamego—Robert Hatfield.



Abilene—Mark F. Scanlan; Belleville—Ricky K. Moravek and Lavern Potozak; Clay Center—Dean Alan Larson and Dwight M. Yarrow; Concordia—Norman McMillan; Ellsworth—Arthur J. Peterman; Manhattan—Rusty Berry; Mankato—Wes Alexander, Tom Marr, and David Warne; Miltonvale—Norman D. Fuller; North Central—Ron Sinn; Pike Valley—Randall Erickson and Melvin Waite; Riley County—Keith Heikes and Roger Potts; Salina—Richard Arpin; Washington—Les Ganby and Jerry Hennerbert; Wilson—John Dolezal and Mike Matas.

Caney—Jay Mayfield; Columbus—Clyde Burton and Alan Ross; Erie—Ruth Ellen Bartholomew, John Bennett, Phil Blaine, and Bryan Coover; Ft. Scott—Rex Colegrove and Jim Meech; Fredonia—Merrill Wilson; Girard—Mick Massa; Iola—Vance Beebe; Labette County—Ted Blevins, Carl Chapman, Steve Cranor, Doug Higginson, Brian Kinzie, Steve McKenzie, Randy Roberts, Roger Rossen and Mike Stottman; Neodesha—John Gutschenritter and Chuck Springer; Riverton—Jack Garner; Southeast—Kenneth Powell, Chuck Poznich and Roger Smith; Uniontown—Dennis Harper and Mark Wade; Yates Center—Lyle Kee.

Ensign—Brent Groves; Fowler—Dan Bacon; Hanston—David Burkhart, Roger Ewy and Lonnie Ruff; Holcomb—Robert Adams; Southwestern Heights—Leon Winfrey.

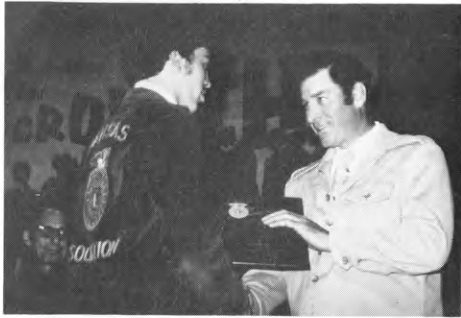
Crest—Arlyn Briggs and Dan Welsh; Flint Hills—Dean DeLong; Garnett—Larry Poss, Bill Pracht and Chris Rockers; Lebo—Mike Hauks; Mission Valley—Deborah Williams; Paola—Diane Garrison, Kenneth Harnett, and Warren McKoon; Prairie View—Joe Atwood, Jeff Lawhead, Steve Nelson, and Jeff Stroup; Seaman—Kendra McNorton, Debbie Hundley, Deanna Raab, and Rick Stover.

Arkansas City—Ronda Wilson; Chaparral—Jim Ireland; Great Bend—Kent Blakesle and John Sharp; Haven—Greg Thompson; Kingman—David Govert and Byron Milburn; Kiowa—Allen Ott and Ken Harbaugh; Marion—LeRoy Kraus, Randel Vogel and Eldon Hett; McPherson—Larry DeLaney and Allen Sents; Medicine Lodge—Jim DeGeer; Moundridge—Ron Martin, Duane Wedel and Dwight Wedel; Mulvane—Daniel Hiersche; Newton—Susan Gatz and Mark Panley; Udall—Mike Beard; Winfield—Floyd Clarkson, Louis Hoover, Henry Linnebur, and Rodney Smith. Alma—Rod Bohn and Robert Schmidt; Council Grove—Hay Mayer;

Lebanon—John George and Kirk Roush; Natoma—Roy Taylor; Norton—Victor Goehen and Greg Johnson; Oberlin—Mark Olson; Phillipsburg—Kerry Zillinger; Smith Center—Dan Devlin and David Schmidt; Stockton—Blaine Dryden and Randy Schoenthaler.



1975 Star Agribusinessman John Bennett from the Erie Chapter is flanked by his competitors, left to right: Mick Perry, Frankfort; Richard Arpin, Salina; Debbie Williams, Mission Valley; and Victor Goehm, Norton.



Steve Mayo congratulates Ron Schweppe and Lonnie Berger congratulates Robert Randle (standing in for G. A. Wiles) on receiving the Distinguished Service Award. Not pictured is Bob Ensminger who accepted the award for Ernest Lindsey. (Hale Photo)

Distinguished Service Awardees

Many people are responsible for behind the scenes service to the FFA. The Kansas Association selected four individuals this year who were extremely deserving of recognition and presented them with the Distinguished Service Award. The 1975 recipients were: Ernest T. Lindsey, President of Farmland Industries; Kenneth L. Cook, Director of Marketing, Burlington Northern Railway Company; George A. Wiles, President, Federal Land Bank of Wichita; and Ron Schweppe, Animal Feed Sales Representative, American Cyanamid Company.

Recordkeeping Awards

The Grass and Grain Recordkeeping Awards in both production and agribusiness went to two FFA members from the Seaman chapter.

Deanna Raab captured the production recordkeeping area and Debbie Hundley the agribusiness portion. Deanna and Debbie were chosen from

a field of 14 contenders, one in each area from each FFA district.

The Grass and Grain Award was developed to promote an incentive for FFA members to strive for excellence in their records kept on their supervised occupational experience programs.



Deanna Raab and Debbie Hundley, both of the Seaman Chapter, exhibit their pride at being named the State Winners in the Recordkeeping Award sponsored by Grass and Grain. (Grass and Grain Photo)

Membership Achievement Awards

A new award was initiated by the State Officers and the State Executive Committee to recognize those FFA chapters which had 100% FFA membership in comparison to the vocational agriculture. The chapters which had over 100% were divided into thirds according to their percentage; these chapters ranked either Gold, Silver or Bronze. Forty-five chapters earned the award in 1975.

The Gold Emblem Chapters were: Hill City (159%); Hugoton (123%); Plainville (122%); Pratt (121%); Norton (119%); Coffeyville (117%); Concordia (116%); Chaparral (116%); Eureka (111%); Miltonvale (110%); Atchison County (109%); Marysville (109%); Kingman (108%); Fort Scott (107%); and Sabetha (107%).

The Silver Emblem Chapters were: Hoyt (106%); Jennings (106%); Manhattan (106%); Ellis (105%); Marion (105%); Blue Valley (104%); Girard (104%); Hanston (104%); Westmoreland (104%); Jetmore (103%); Jewell (103%); Caney (102%); Columbus (102%); Erie (102%); and Labette County (102%).

The Bronze Emblem Chapters, each having an even 100% were: Bird City, Burlington, Cherryvale, Highland, Jayhawk-Linn, Lebanon, Lebo, Linn, McCune, Mission Valley, Natoma, Ness City, Pike Valley, St. Paul, and Williamsburg.

Public Speaking Winners

Phillip Fishburn, from the Haven Chapter, advanced through a field of 22 speakers to be named the 1975 State FFA Public Speaking winner. Second place went to Chuck Poznich from the Southeast Chapter, third to Steve Hughes, Manhattan, and fourth place to Greg Thompson, Haven.

Along with the \$100 cash award, Phil has the honor of representing Kansas in the Central Regional Public Speaking Contest, which will be held during the week of National FFA Convention. Eleven other speakers will be competing with Phil to represent the region in the National Public Speaking finals.



Kansas officers attending Regional Leadership Conference. Left to Right: Alpha Trivette, National President; Jay Mayfield, State President; Phil Fishburn, State Vice President; Randy Schoenthaler, State Treasurer; Richard Arpin, State Reporter; Mark Scanlan, State Secretary; Dan Marrs, State Executive Secretary; and Bart Brashears, National Vice President.

State Officers Attend Regional Conference

State officers from Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas participated in the Regional Leadership Conference at Farmland Schools and sponsored by the National FFA Office.

Alpha Trivette, National President, and Bart Brashears, National Vice President, conducted the two day conference centered on preparing the state officers for their coming year. Public Speaking, group dynamics, and FFA information were but a few of the areas in which the officers participated.



The leaders of the Kansas Association for 1975-76, left to right: Mark Scanlan, Abilene, Secretary; Richard Arpin, Salina, Reporter; Phil Fishburn, Haven, Vice President; Randy Schoenthaler, Wakeeney, Treasurer; Jay Mayfield, Caney, President; and Ronda Wilson, Arkansas City, Sentinel. (Hale Photo)

Delegates Ask for Three New Contests

Three new State contests were approved by the State Convention Delegates and the State Executive Committee. The new areas are Extemporaneous Speaking, Greenhand Creed contest, and Kansas Future Farmer Award.

The Extemporaneous Speaking Contest will be basically the same as the "trial run" which was held during the State High School Judging Contests in April, with a few alterations in the rules. Districts may designate five speakers for the State contest, which will be held on the Monday evening of the State High School Agricultural and Agricultural Mechanics contests in April, on the campus of Kansas State University.

The State Greenhand Creed contest will be held during the State Convention and districts may submit two Greenhands for this competition.

The Kansas Future Farmer Award is basically for chapter reporters and will be presented at the State Convention to the reporter who has the most articles published in the Kansas Future Farmer Magazine during the school year.

More specific details on this contest may be found in the "Kansas FFA Activities and Awards Opportunities—1975-76."

State Safety Winners

Atchison County FFA Chapter received the Farm Bureau first place trophy and a check from the Kansas Safety Council for \$200 for being selected as the top Safety Chapter in Kansas for 1975. The Norton Chapter received the second place trophy and a \$100 check as the second place chapter in the State.

Third place honors went to the Mission Valley Chapter and fourth to Ft. Scott. Other District winners were: Goessel, Garden City, and North Central.

Each district winner received from Kansas Farm Bureau a \$125 cash award plus a scholarship for one member to attend the Kansas Farm Bureau Safety Seminar.



The Norton Chapter, named top Gold Emblem Chapter in the State Chapter Awards Program, receives the Garlow Memorial Trophy from the Garlow family. The trophy is in memory of Bob Garlow, 1973-74 State Reporter, who was killed in a plane crash during his term of office. The trophy will travel to the top Kansas Chapter each year. Pictured right to left: Ron Wilson, past State President; Mr. and Mrs. Burtis Garlow, Bob's parents; Bill Garlow, Bob's brother; Victor Goeken, Norton Chapter President; Bob Broeckelman, Norton Advisor; and Sam Brownback, State President. (Grass & Grain photo)

State Gold Emblem Chapters

The Norton Chapter was selected as the outstanding chapter in Kansas for the 1974-75 school year activities. Their honor was announced at the 47th State Convention in the State Chapter Award program in which the top 15 (10%) chapters are selected.

In second place was the Arkansas City Chapter, followed by Atchison County, Sabetha, Mission Valley, Smith Center, and Paola. The remaining eight Gold Emblem chapters, unranked, were Caney, Fort Scott, Hill City, Labette County, North Central, Seaman, Troy, and Washington.

Norton was accorded the honor of being the first chapter to receive the Bob Garlow Memorial Trophy which will be presented each year to the top chapter. Norton and Arkansas City also received a cash award of \$50 and \$25 respectively, plus special plaques. Special plaques also went to the balance of the top seven chapters and either a plaque or spur to all Gold Emblem chapters. Plaques, spurs and cash awards were sponsored by Sunland Plan.

Ten percent of the Superior chapters in Kansas are eligible for national competition. With seventy Superior chapters in 1975, this meant the top seven chapters were eligible. They will be classified either Gold, Silver or Bronze on the National level and their awards will be presented at the National Convention.

CHAPTERS USE CALENDARS

The Official FFA Calendar Program offers a complete program which can be the major part of a chapter's overall public relations effort. In fact, it should be included in your program of work.

Four styles of calendars are available in three different purchase plans. Plan "A" involves a sponsor to pay for the calendars and have his name im-

printed on them. Plan "B" is set up for the chapter to pay for the calendars and have their own message imprinted on them. Plan "C" is calendars already printed up by the National Future Farmer.

Calendars come in wallet style, desk style, home and office style, and poster style. Order your calendars early to insure shipment on time.



Lonnie Berger congratulated the Hill City Chapter as they received their Gold Emblem Award in the Membership Achievement Program. Hill City had 159% membership in FFA when compared to their vocational agriculture enrollment. (Hale photo)

Scholarship Winners

Three scholarships available to FFA members which are held in high esteem, they being the Roy Freeland Agricultural Education Scholarship, the two Santa Fe Scholarships and the Union Pacific Scholarships. The Roy Freeland and Santa Fe Scholarships are for \$500 and the Union Pacific, \$400.

Randy Schoenthaler of the WaKeeney Chapter received the Roy Freeland Scholarship and will be majoring in Agricultural Education at Kansas State University. Debbie Williams, Mission Valley, and Mickey Morrell, Jayhawk-Linn, received the Santa Fe Scholarships.

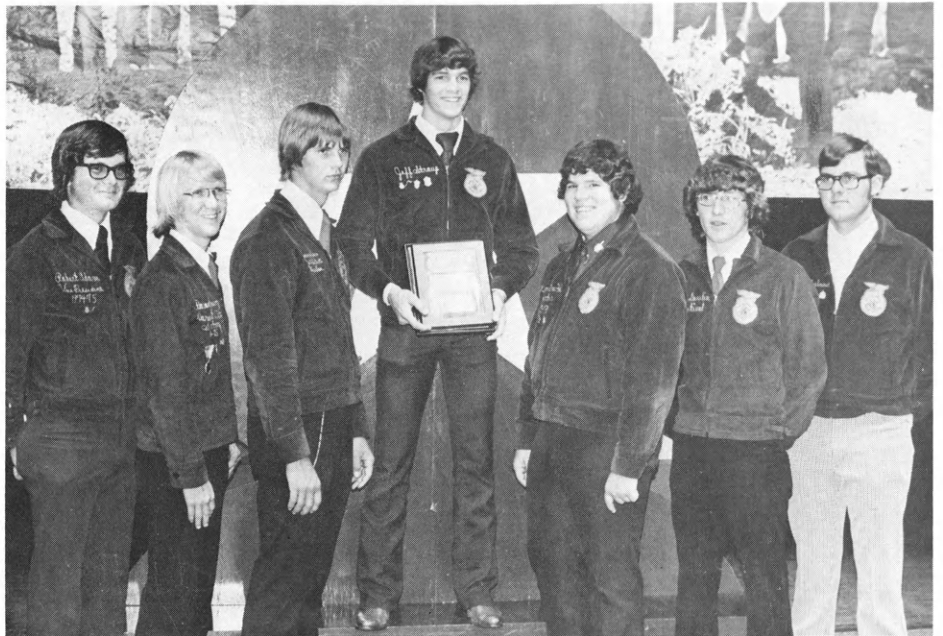
The Union Pacific Scholarship winners were: Terri Anderson, Westmoreland; Richard Arpin, Salina; Kenneth Conway, Oakley; Keith Heikes, Riley County; Dwight Jurey, Clifton; Thomas Pruitt, Minneapolis; Deanna Raab, Seaman; Mark Scanlan, Abilene; and Ronald Wood, Solomon.

State Public Speaking Eligibility Changed

The delegates at the 47th State FFA Convention voted to change the eligibility rules in the State Public Speaking Contest. Previously, any member who had once participated in the State Public Speaking Contest was ineligible for any further State participation.

The new rule reads that any member may participate in the State Contest more than once as long as he or she does not place in the final four contestants. The rule will be retroactive to participants in the past Public Speaking contests.

Further rules and information can be found in the "Kansas FFA Activities and Awards Opportunities—1975-76."



Jeff Stroup, of the Prairie View Chapter and East Central District Star Farmer, was named 1975 Star Farmer of Kansas. The other District Star Farmers, left to right: Robert Adam, Holcomb; Ross Montgomery, Sabetha; Ron Sinn, North Central; Rodger Smith, Southeast; Dan Devlin, Smith Center; and Jim Ireland, Chaparral. (Grass and Grain Photo)

MISS KANSAS FORMER STATE FFA SWEETHEART

Jan Salmans from the Hanston FFA Chapter was named 1975 Miss Kansas and will compete this September in Atlantic City, New Jersey, for the Miss America crown.

Jan was a very active member of the Hanston FFA Chapter. In 1972 was named Kansas FFA Sweetheart. In

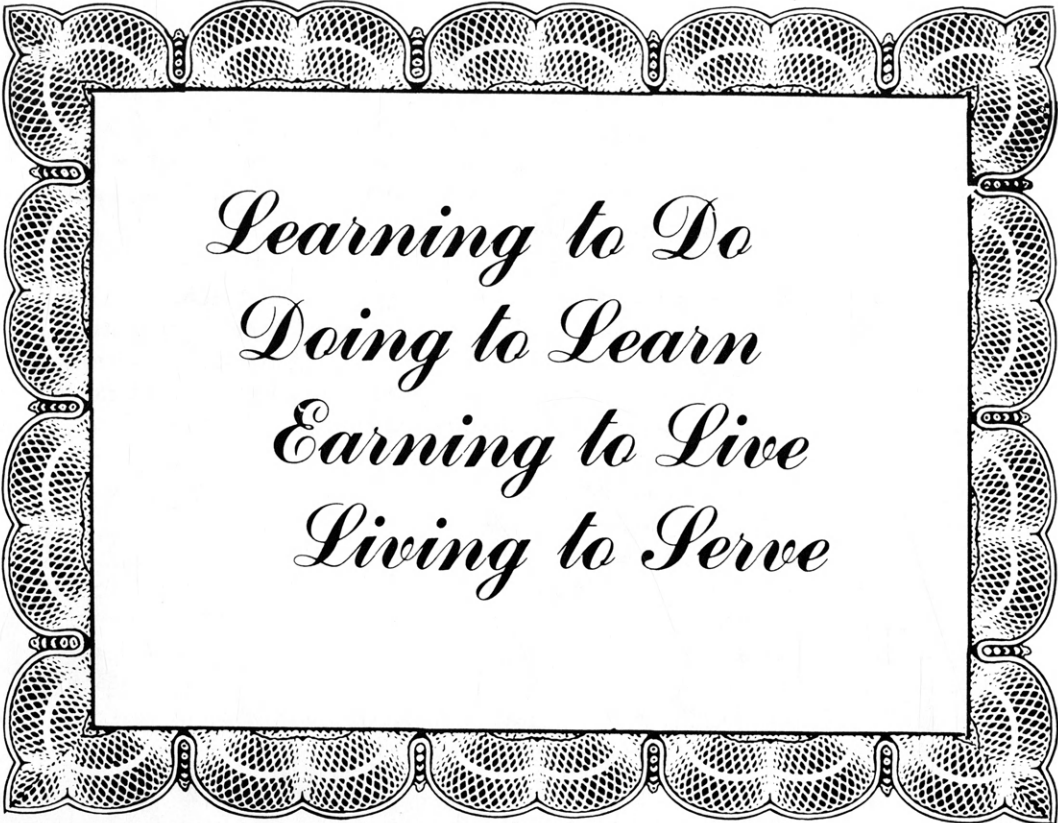
1973 she was crowned American Royal Queen.

All of Kansas and especially Kansas FFA members will be pulling for Jan to be crowned Miss America in Atlantic City.

SCRAPBOOK CONTEST

The State Scrapbook Contest, sponsored by the High Plains Journal, had

numerous and excellent entries for 1975. Hill City once again won the contest and the chapter reporter was presented with a leather briefcase from High Plains Journal. The contest is held each year during the State Convention and is open to all chapter reporters. Reporters may enter by simply bringing their chapter scrapbook to the convention for display and judging in the lobby.



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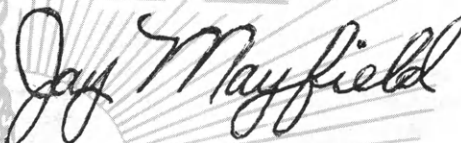
As another year passes and a new one comes along we find many new changes that have occurred. Many new faces, activities and most of all many new ideas and programs on the local, district, state and national levels to help better our organization.

To improve your chapters and for a smoother and more efficient running chapter, the "Thrust" program is very effective and the Chapter Activities Handbook has numerous helpful ideas. The "Food for America" program in which FFA tells the story of agriculture to elementary students is a fantastic activity that the chapter officers and members carry out.

I encourage you to make use of these as well as the many other functions your chapter conducts or participates in.

Along with the programs, activities and ideas, came new faces. I, along with my fellow officers: Phil, Mark, Randy, Richard, and Ronda, welcome the challenge that the year as state officers will be. We are all new officers just as you are on the chapter and district levels with many things to look forward to. As we look forward, no matter what we plan to accomplish, we should always, always work together as a team.

Your teammate,



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