

CHILLICOTHE F.F.A.

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American Farmer Degree

This year the Chillicothe Chapter has another member applying for the American Farmer Degree, his State Farmer Degree in 1963 the applicant is Wayne Dennis Cunningham, Jr. Wayne received his State Farmer Degree in 1963 and was also graduated in May of 1963 from the Chillicothe High School. To be chosen for the American Farmer Degree is quite an honor because only one for every thousand members can be chosen to receive the degree.

In order for a member to be eligible to receive the degree the member must have shown outstanding leadership and cooperation and be familiar with the provisions of the state constitution and have an outstanding supervised farming program. Wayne's program includes the following: 450 acres of corn, and a complete line of new machinery.

- Danny Williams

The National Convention

On October 14, 15, 16, 1964, John Meneely, Jim Popham, Harry Hargrave, Kenneth Ewing, Danny Williams and Bob Smith attended the National F.F.A. Convention at Kanas City, Missouri. Also attending were Dennis Ratliff and Wayne Cunningham as special entertainers.

The officers stayed at the Holiday Inn in Independence, Missouri, while attending the Convention.

Some of the highlights of the Convention were election of National Officers, National Speech Contest, American Star Farmer Award, the special entertainment by Chapters from all over the United States, and the Firestone Hour, which featured Myron Florin of the Lawrence Welk show. Also while in Kansas City we went to Cinerama and saw the movie, "Its a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad World."

We the Officers thought this convention was one of the greatest ever attended by F.F.A. boys.

- Kenneth Ewing



MARRIETA ELLIOT
CHAPTER SWEETHEART

The annual Barnwarmin' of the Chillicothe Chapter of the Future Farmers of America was held Saturday evening, October 24, in the agricultural building of the high school.

The entrance was a tunnel constructed of bales of straw. The decorations included bales of straw, several shocks of corn, saddles and streamers of the F. F. A. colors - - blue and gold.

Acting as Master of Ceremonies was Wayne Cunningham. The caller for the square dance was Jim Tracy.

To start the evening off the boys and girls formed a line and the girls could take her choice of kissing a goat or her date. During the evening several other games were played.

The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the 'Barnwarmin' Queen and King'. This year the king and queen were juniors, Rex Moore and Marrieta Elliot. The attendants were seniors, Cheri Jordan and Kent Perry; sophomores, Jacki Lionberger and Jim Donoho; and freshmen, Debra Walker and Gary Hughes.

The last game of the evening was the hunt for the red ears of corn, which were hidden in the shocks used for decorations. Each boy finding a red ear of corn could kiss the girl of his choice.

Refreshments of cider, which was served from a barrel, and doughnuts were enjoyed by all.

- Kent Perry

BANQUET PROGRAM

Toastmaster	Harry Hargrave
Invocation	Charles Hargrave
Opening Ceremony	1964-65 Officers
Welcome	Harry Hargrave
Introduction of Guests	John Meneely
Honorary Members	Gary Campbell Gary Hughes Danny Baxter
Creed Speaker	Steve Ewing
Parliamentary Procedure	Sophomores
Radio Skit	Radio Skit Team
Funks G Hybrid Award	Charles Fleener
Safety Award	Tilman Croskey
Citizens National Bank Award	Mr. Bill Coleman
Presentation of other awards	Mr. Bill Gutshall
Chillicothe State Bank Award	John Armstrong
Movies	State Farmers
Installation of Officers	1964-65 Officers
Closing Ceremony	1965-66 Officers

BANQUET MENU

SWISS STEAK	
MASHED POTATOES AND GRAVY	
GREEN BEANS	COMBINATION SALAD
APPLE PIE	ICE CREAM
HOT ROLLS AND BUTTER	
COFFEE AND MILK	

OFFICERS

	1964-65	1965-66
President	Harry Hargrave	Joe Smith
Vice President	Danny Williams	Charles Peniston
Secretary	John Meneely	Paul Beever
Reporter	Bob Smith	Charles Hargrave
Treasurer	Jim Popham	Kenny Ewing
Sentinel	Kent Perry	Phil Minnick
Advisor	Bill Gutshall	Bill Gutshall
Student Council	Kenny Ewing	Rex Moore
Chaplain	Charles Hargrave	Gaylen Potter
Parliamentarian	Joe Smith	Keith Hicklin



The Soils Team consists of Harry Hargrave, Larry Littrell, and Danny Williams. The alternate was Gary Ewing. They also received a No. 3 rating at state contests.



The Field Crops Team consists of Harry Hargrave, John Meneely, and Kent Perry. The alternate was Danny Williams. This team received a No. 3 rating at the state contests, pictured here with Mr. Bill Gutschall (left) and Mr. R. E. Houston.



The Radio Skit Team consists of Bill Simmons, Joe Smith, Bob Smith, Larry Brotherton, Charles Peniston, Charles Hargrave, and Lewis Coffman. They received a No. 2 rating at state contests.

Livestock and Farm Mechanics at the Fairs

Ten members of the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter showed their livestock at local and area fairs last year. They competed in the County Fair, Trenton Fair, State Fair, Bethany Fair, American Royal, Hamilton Barrow Show, Braymer Barrow Show, Pork Chop Night, St. Joseph 4-H and F.F.A. Cattle Carcass Show, Missouri State Steer Show, and Stamper Youth Auction. At every show they distinguished themselves with their showmanship and prize-winning livestock by returning with blue and gold ribbons, trophies and championship awards.

Harry Hargrave had the Grand Champion ewe and lamb and the Reserve Champion ewe and Reserve Champion steer at the County Fair. He had the Grand and Reserve Champion Corriedale ewes, Grand Champion Corriedale ram, Grand Champion Angus steer over all breeds, and the Reserve Champion 4H and F.F.A. steer over all breeds at the Trenton Fair. At Bethany, Harry won Grand and Reserve Champion awards for his Corriedale ewe, Grand Champion Corriedale ram, Grand Champion Hampshire ram. The first place Showmanship Trophy was awarded to Harry at the Stamper Youth Auction, at Moberly besides having the Grand Champion F.F.A. fat steer and Grand Champion steer over all breeds. At Braymer his fat steer was named Grand Champion over all breeds and he won the first place Showmanship Ribbon. He also showed hogs on Pork Chop Night and a steer at the St. Joseph 4H and F.F.A. Cattle Carcass Show.

John Meneely won a blue ribbon on his heifer at the County Fair, and at the Trenton Fair. At the State Steer Show at Columbia his steer placed sixth in live

judging and fifth in the carcass show.

Jim Popham showed his Duroc hogs at the Missouri State Fair at Sedalia, winning three gold ribbons and five silver ribbons and his boar won top honor as Grand Champion.

Ewing Brothers, (Kenneth and Stephen) showed their Black Poland China hogs at the County Fair, Trenton Fair, and State Fair. They had the Reserve Champion gilt at the County Fair, Grand Champion F.F.A. boar at the Trenton Fair, and Champion F.F.A. barrow, Champion F.F.A. January boar, and Reserve Champion F.F.A. boar at the State Fair. The boys' market hog placed fifth in live judging on Pork Chop Night and was sold to Milbank Mills for \$72.60.

Charles Peniston received trophies for the Grand Champion market hog and Grand Champion pen of three Black Poland Chinas at the County Fair. At the Trenton Fair he had the Grand and Reserve Champion February gilts and Grand and Reserve Champion barrows. He showed the Grand Grand Champion and Reserve Champion gilts and Reserve Champion boar at the Bethany Fair. At the State Fair he had the Grand Champion and Reserve Champion F.F.A. February gilts and Grand Champion F.F.A. boar, and Reserve Champion F.F.A. barrow. He also showed hogs at the Braymer Market Show and Pork Chop Night, placing third in the carcass show.

Rex Moore and Gaylen Potter showed Angus heifers at the County Fair and the Trenton Fair, winning blue ribbons at both fairs.

Bob Dimitt had the Reserve Champion Hampshire fat lamb at the County Fair and a blue ribbon Hampshire barrow. He also showed hogs at the State Fair, Hamilton Barrow Show, Pork Chop Night, and American Royal.

Lewis Coffman showed a pen of five Poland China barrows on Pork Chop Night.

Farm Mechanics Projects were exhibited by seven members of the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter at the County Fair and Trenton Fair, with four of them taking their entries to the State Fair. The following boys won blue ribbons on their projects: Danny Williams, wagon box, feed bunk; Roland Haas, hay feeder and feed bunk; John Meneely, pickup rack; Phil Minnick, picnic table; Rex Moore, feed bunk; Gaylen Potter, steel post puller; and Bob Dimitt, feed bunk and ringing chute. Danny Williams, Roland Haas, Phil Minnick, and Bob Dimitt took their projects on to the State Fair competition where Danny received Champion on his hay rack, a gold ribbon on his wagon box, and a silver ribbon on his feed bunk. Phil, Roland and Bob were awarded silver ribbons on their Farm Mechanics Entries.

— Charles Peniston

Our Chapter is very proud of John Meneely who was elected State Vice-President of the Northwest District and who also received honorable mention as Star Farmer.

We are also proud of the attendance of non-F. F. A. members who attended the convention. The following were able to attend: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Meneely, Mr. and Mrs. Niram Williams and John "Jack" Armstrong.

— Lewis Coffman

Sub-District No. 4

The school year 1964 - 1965 marked the fourth year for the Sub-District No. 4 Organization of Future Farmers of America. This Sub-District includes the following 12 chapters: Hamilton, Carrollton, Braymer, Trenton, Gallatin, Jamesport, Galt, Norborne, Polo, Stet, Tina-Avalon, and Chillicothe.

Through the year the Sub-District has many activities. Some activities that the Sub District carries on are: helping with the Trenton Fair, holding judging team schools, and holding Sub-District contests. This year a new activity was started, a Sub-District barnwarming, which was quite successful. The Sub-District also gives additional training and leadership to the boys. Friends are made during the meetings and at the annual banquet. This year over 230 boys, advisors, and guests attended the Sub-District banquet which was held at Chillicothe.

This year the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter is again fortunate to have an officer in the Sub-District organization. The officer is Charles Peniston, the newly elected Vice President.

Congratulations Charles!

— John Meneely

State Convention and Contest

The local chapter this year did an excellent job at our state contests. The following boys represented our chapter in the contests and at the convention at Columbia on April 22 and 23:— Radio Skit - Charles Hargrave, Bob Smith, Joe Smith, Larry Brotherton, Charles Peniston, Bill Simmons, Lewis Coffman; Soils Team - Harry Hargrave, Danny Williams, and Larry Littrell; Field Crops Team - John Meneely, Harry Hargrave, and Kent Perry. The delegates to the convention were: Kenneth Ewing and Jim Donoho. Rex Moore auditioned Friday for the National F.F.A. Band.



1964-65 Officers, left to right: Jim Popham, Treasurer; Danny Williams, Vice President; Harry Hargrave, President; John Meneely, Secretary; Ken Perry, Sentinel; Bob Smith, Reporter.



Chapter Officers for 1965-66: left to right, Joe Smith, President, Kenneth Ewing, Treasurer; Charles Peniston, Vice President; Phil Minnick, Sentinel; Charles Hargrave, Reporter; and Paul Beever, Secretary.



State Farmers, left to right: Dan Williams, John Meneely, Bob Smith, and Jim Popham.

STATE FARMERS

This year the Chillicothe Chapter is again fortunate to have four of its members receive the State Farmer Degree. They are John Meneely, Jim Popham, Bob Smith and Danny Williams.

The degree is given to a boy who has shown outstanding leadership and cooperation. He must also be familiar with the provisions of the State Constitution and have an outstanding supervised farming program.

John's supervised farming program consists of 10 beef cows, 4 beef heifers, 1 beef bull, 6 fattening steers, 3 dairy cows and calves, 12 sows and litters, 10 feeder pigs, 60 acres of wheat, 100 acres of soybeans, 50 acres of corn, 10 acres of alfalfa, and 4 acres of improved pasture.

Jim's supervised farming program consists of 12 sows and litters, 10 cows and calves, 2 beef bulls, 4 beef heifers, 6 fattening steers, and 10 acres of corn.

Bob's supervised farming program consists of 2 beef cows and calves, 1 mare and colt. He owns 50% of the following: 1 beef bull, 1 beef heifer, 7 dairy cows and calves, 1 dairy heifers, 10 acres of corn, and 16 acres of oats.

Danny's supervised farming program consists of 4 beef cows, 2 beef heifers, 100 acres of corn, 145 acres of soybeans, and 17½ acres of wheat.

The State Farmer Degree is based not only on their supervised farming project but also on leadership. These boys certainly possess these qualities. As evidence of these qualities, each boy holds a Chapter office. This is the first time that this chapter has had four State Farmers the same year.

We would like to congratulate these boys who attained this high degree.

Honorary Chapter Farmers

Every year the Chillicothe F.F.A. Chapter bestows upon area farmers or businessmen the degree of Honorary Chapter Farmer. This year 3 of the state farmers' fathers have been elected to this degree. They are: Mr. Howard Meneely, Mr. Bill Smith, Mr. Niram Williams.

Mr. Meneely is the father of John Meneely, our newly elected State Vice President. John also was runner-up for District Star Farmer. Mr. Meneely has donated the use of his pickup for the hauling of straw for the Barnwarmin'. He also has donated the use of his tractor. Mr. Meneely has always stood ready to help the chapter at any time.

Mr. Smith is the father of Bob Smith. Bob has served as Reporter and Junior Reporter. Bob was also on the state radio skit team. Mr. Smith has also donated his pickup for the chapter to use. He has in the past had the livestock judging team to judge dairy cows and calves on his farm.

Mr. Williams is the father of Danny Williams. Danny has served the chapter as vice-president and president of the junior officers. He also was on the State Parliamentary Procedure team. Mr. Williams has donated his truck for hauling straw to the Barnwarmin' for four years. He also hauled the Farm Mechanics exhibits to the state fair.

May we recognize and extend our congratulations to these three outstanding farmers of our community.

- Charles Hargrave

Citizens National Bank Award

The Citizens National Bank will again present an F.F.A. Leadership Award. This award consists of a trophy and a cash award of \$100 and is given to recognize a Chillicothe F.F.A. member who has rendered outstanding rural leadership, service to his F.F.A. Chapter, home, school and community.

Selection of its winner will be based on the following points:

- A. Offices held in the F.F.A.
- B. Participation in school activities.
- C. F.F.A. committee work.
- D. Satisfactory Scholarship.
- E. Church activities.
- F. Participation in F.F.A. contest.
- G. Community activities.
- H. Future Agriculture plans.

The winner will be selected by four adults prior to the banquet. This award will be presented by Mr. Bill Coleman, Farm Representative for the Citizens National Bank.

- Phil Minnick

SOILS TEAM WORKS

The Soils Team made their first trip to Albany, Missouri, to a soil judging workshop. They then went to the District Contest at Maryville where they competed against 42 schools and received a group I rating. This entitled them to go to the state contest, where they received a group III rating.

In oil judging, you judge the following things: top-soil, sub-soil, slope, soil productivity, interpret soil tests, and tell what soil would produce under approved conservation practices.

STATE F.F.A. CAMP

Last summer, the week of July 6th, 10 members of our chapter attended State F.F.A. Camp. These members were: Jim Cook, Gaylen Potter, Paul Beever, Max Seaman, Charles Peniston, John Meneely, Dwaine Davenport, Charles Hargrave, and Mr. Gutshall. This camp is located in the Lake Ozark State Park, near Kaiser, Mo. At camp John Meneely was elected president, and Paul Beever won the Creed speaking contest. Charles Hargrave was selected to serve on the nominating committee which chooses the candidates for the camp offices. On Wednesday evening we had vesper services and Mr. Gutshall and Charles Hargrave sang in the choir. The State Officers attending were: Olan Stemme, State Reporter; and Rex Bradley, State Vice-President from the Northeast district. Both were 1964-65 officers. While at camp we attended the Nashville Ozark Opry. On the last night we were there, the girls from the nearby State Girl Scout Camp came over for an evening of dancing. During the week there were various tournaments of which our chapter took part in. We won the baseball tournament. We rode down there with the Tina-Avalon Chapter. We paid for the gas and they took the bus. Everyone enjoyed camp thoroughly.

- Chales Hargrave

Little farms are best tilled. Little books are most read, and little songs are dearest loved. And when Nature would make anything especially rare and beautiful, she makes it little - little pearls, little diamonds, little dews. Life is made up of littles. Day is made up of little beams, and night is glorious with little stars.