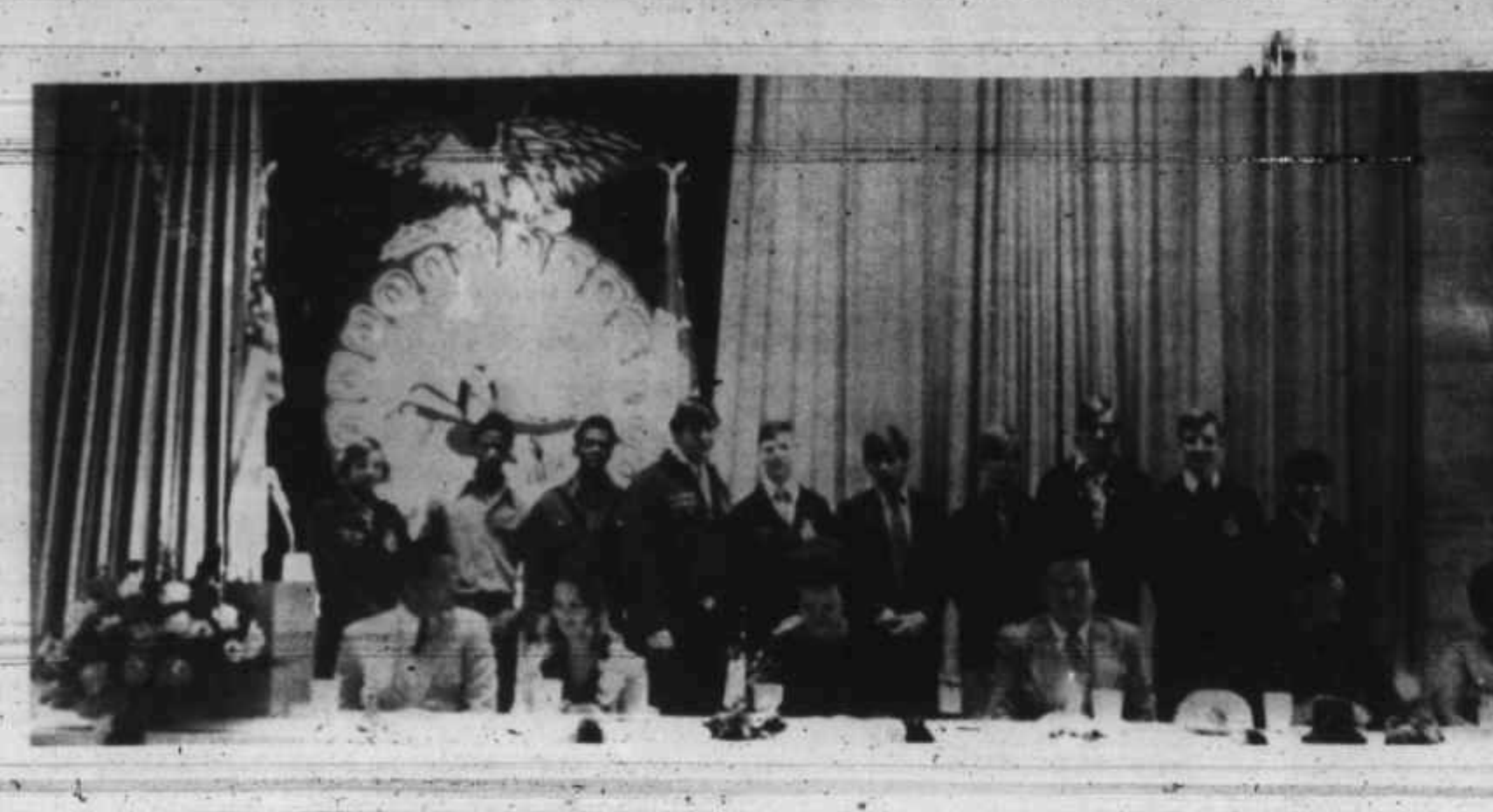


Rice FFA's Top Ag Students Receive FFA Foundation Awards



Shown above are the Rice FFA members who received FFA Foundation awards for outstanding work in various fields of agricultural production. Mark Henke for his work in dairy production; James Lee for soil and water management; Darrell Black for agricultural production; Gary Crank for crop production; Ricky Chism for crop improvement; Dennis Koronek for electrification; Anthony Leopold for agricultural mechanics; Larry Brown for public speaking; Al Mahalic for livestock production; and James Brune for agricultural processing.

700 Attend Outstanding Rice FFA Awards Banquet

Outstanding Members, Honorary Members Cited

The Rice High School Future Farmers of America (FFA) members of America climaxed another very successful year last Thursday night with the annual Parent and Son Banquet in the Rice High School Commons area with approximately 700 persons on hand for the event.

The event is held annually to honor the parents of the members, to pay tribute to the who made contributions to the chapter or to the Show Barn projects, and to recognize members for outstanding work during the past year.

Following the welcome by the Rice FFA president Daryl Hult and the invocation by Dwight Rhodes, the gathering enjoyed a delicious barbecue beef and sausage meal served by Jerry Mikeas and staff of Columbus, with the girls in the Rice FFA assisting in serving.

During the dinner, the

members of the FFA band, Greg Koronek at the accordion, Thomas Carter on the drums, and Frank Caudell and Jesse Munoz on the guitar thoroughly entertained with some outstanding musical selections. A duo of singers adding to the pleasure of the program including Michael Axel and Kyle Walker.

President Hult presided at the opening ceremony assisted by chapter officers: Wesley Wick, vice president; Gary Crank, secretary; Paul Wolfe, treasurer; Ricky Chism, reporter; Mark Henke, sentinel; Paul Hoffman, parliamentarian; and Al Mahalic, student advisor. Other officers for the year include committee chairman, Anthony Mahalic; Mr. Leonard Goff, vice leader; and Billy Brethaupt, the chaplain.

Among special guest speakers were the parents of the members; school administrators, the Rice CISD Board of Trustees; Rice High School faculty; buyers of the hogs and calves at the 1975 sale; donors to the FFA

gram and to participate in the FFA chapter activities as a chapter member.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gerton. Gerton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gerton. Also introduced was the 1975 Trail Ride Sweetheart, Miss Judy Ashby, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Ashby.

Treasurer Paul Wolfe reported on chapter financing during the past year, including the first money ever to receive the high awards.

Recipients of this coveted honor were: Mrs. Robert (Mildred) Schurring (Garwood); Mrs. Jean (Doris) Walker of Sheridan; and also Dr. Raymond R. Thomas of Eagle Lake; and assistant superintendent Charles DeShazo of Sheridan.

Chapter officers presided at the Pledge to the Flag and the closing ceremony ending an outstanding evening.

Decorations for the event were in keeping with the FFA colors of yellow and blue in ribbons and candles nestled in artificial plants used at various points on the tables and on the speaker's table.

The United States Flag and the FFA flag were used on either side of a large FFA emblem spotlighted on the table behind the speaker's table.

TOPS Announces Div. Winners

(By Jane Mahalic)

The meeting of April 18th led off with the crowning of our weekly queen—Miss Marilyn Shoop! We are all proud of her, and a little envy of the fine job she did in the role.

Carolyn Rosper, a charter member, bounced back to be best loser for the week. Best loser is whoever loses the most pounds; but to be queen, she must lose and have lost the week before.

A grand total of 21 weighed in, which is "up" some. Good work! Congratulations to the birthday "girls" of the week, Jan Guthman and Faye Ehrig.

Division winner awards went to Betty Kay Janow, first place, Division V (beginning weight - no minimum to 150 pounds); Jan Guthman, first place, Division IV (150 to 200 pounds); and Beverly Gay, second place, Division IV. We had no one eligible in the other divisions but "will" till next year!

Betty Kay presented a program on "Psychodietetics" which underlines again the growing belief that "sugar is poison" (refined sugar, that is). Dr. Emanuel Charkas points out in his book on nutrition that sugar is a prominent factor in the development of over-weight, diabetes, hypoglycemia, dental cavities and periodontal disease, kidney stones, urinary infection,

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10 Drilling Locations In County

Ten wells were located in Colorado County during the past two weeks, reported the Colorado County Citizens last week.

Hill Production Co. of Wisconsin staked three of them: "The No. 1, R. Thomas, a 3,000-foot test, two miles southeast of Eagle Lake on a 625-acre lease in the S&M RR Survey 27, A-533.

"The No. 1, Schurring, a 3,000-foot test, 5.5 miles west-southwest of Garwood on a 185-acre lease in the 16GN RR Survey 5, A-534.

"The No. 1, Ester-Sunderman, a 2,700-foot test two miles southeast of Eagle Lake on a 167-acre lease in the GT RR Co. Survey 3, A-154.

"The No. A-1 W. M. Lehn, a 6,000-foot test, 9.5 miles southwest of Garwood on a 320-acre lease in Section 10, W. C. RR Survey 15, A-516.

"The No. 1 John Rinehart, a 7,000-foot test, three miles west of Garwood on a 100-acre lease in the Johnson & Stafford Survey, A-718.

Oil Mobil Corp. of Corpus Christi also staked two wells: "The No. 1, Schurring, a 7,000-foot test, 5.5 miles northeast of Eagle Lake on a 3,591-acre lease in the 16GN RR Survey 7, A-541.

"Hanson Production Co. of Houston staked the No. 2 Lester Bunge, a 6,500-foot test six miles northwest of Garwood. This well is on a 43-acre lease in the Samuel Kennedy Survey, A-30.

Bates Petroleum Co. of Houston staked the No. 1, R. E. Tait, an 11,000-foot test 3.5 miles south of Blair on a 1,500-acre lease in the J. J. Cook & W. B. DeWane Survey, A-19.

Prairie Producing Co. of Houston staked the No. 2 Glascock, a 10,000-foot test five miles south of Columbus on a 320-acre lease in the John Goller Survey, A-141.

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RICE DISTRICT SCHOOL MENUS

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Fri., April 25: Fish Squares and Catap, Macaroni and Cheese, Turnip Greens, Lime Fruited Jello, Hot Popcorn.

Mon., April 28: Stuffed Weiners, Hot Scrambled Eggs, Buttered Corn, Brownies, Corn Bread.

Tues., April 29: Meat Balls and Spaghetti, Creamy Cole Slaw - Beans, Stuffed Peaches, Lemon Iced Cake, Garlic Bread.

Wed., April 30: Barbecue on-Bun, French Fries and Catap, Flager Salad, Cherry Cobbler.

Thurs., May 1: Fried Chicken, Macaroni and Gravy, Collard Greens, Strawberry Jello, Butter Bread.

Fri., May 2: Frito Pie, Pinto Beans, Tossed Salad, Pineapple Tiki-Uits, Hot Rolls.

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SPORTS

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Ken Burroughs, the wide receiver for the Houston Oilers, will be the guest speaker. Burroughs was one of the boys in the "tuturaround" season experienced by the Oilers during the 1974 season.

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Little League To Open Here Mon.

Peewee Teams Begin Play Mon., Major Tues.

8 Teams In Peewee Loop, Includes 9 Girls

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Tigers: Randy Burrow, m.p.; Clyde Holloway, John Wegenhoff, Mark Rother, Steve Paez, Carl Powell, Michael Cordova, Johnny Joe Hernandez, Benny Lujan, Victor Royer, Calvin Foster, Troy Grounds, Jimmy Moss, Ronald Ray Dawson.

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Pirates: Draper Stephens, m.p.; Glen Janow, Michael Darrin, Bob Darrin, Phillip Schorlemmer, Chris Barrels, David Rucka, Wayne Chism, Victor Davis, Justin Mayers, Paul Ruiz, John Stephens, Michael Schorlemmer.

THE Temple Chamber of Commerce will honor the 1975 Temple Junior College Leopards Basketball Team with their own special day on Friday, May 2. The Chamber Board, as well as the City of Temple, will make special presentations to the coach and all team members at a banquet scheduled for 7:00 p.m. at the Knights Columbus Hall.

The TJCL Leopards are the 1975 National Junior College Women's Basketball champions and this special day and special invitation have been issued to the parents of each of the players to be present for the banquet.

Featured speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Carla Lowry, President of the Association for Intercollegiate Athletic for Women. Dr. Lowry is currently Associate Professor and Coach of the basketball team at the University of Texas at Arlington. Among the honorees will be

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