

Carroll wins sizzler in Bacon Bits Bowl



'Intelligence' wins Battle of the Books

The Carroll team "Intelligence" won the junior high Battle of the Books competition. Team members are pictured above, l-r: Front row - Samantha Pickens, Rachel Parker. Second row - Cory Ritter, Susanna Taylor, Shelby Spray, Alexa Stout, Aaron Spesard (captain), Emma Packard. Third row - Holly Peters, Blake Mills. Photo provided

Comet staff report

In a hard-fought battle between Carroll and Delphi, the junior high Battle of the Books contest came down to just three more right answers for Carroll.

The final score in the Bacon Bits Bowl was Carroll 63, Delphi 60. Although the Delphi team was ahead by one at the end of the first round of 20 questions, Carroll battled back and took the lead after 40 questions at half-time.

The Carroll team then maintained and added to their score as

the next 40 questions were read and answered.

Aided by a plethora of snacks and pop at their table, the Carroll contestants reveled in their victory and promised to win the high school contest next year. With only a few exceptions, these same team members won the first junior high Battle of the Books in 2006.

This year's contest was held March 19 at Carroll. As the winner, the host team retained possession of the Bacon Bits skillet.

Prior to the final battle, the two teams won their school competi-

tions with about 235 students participating overall in the junior high BOB program.

Local organizations that contributed funding to the program were Carroll County Advocates for Literacy, Carroll County REMC, Flora Psi Iota Xi, Flora Delta Theta Chi, Friends of the Delphi Public Library, Delphi PACE, and the Indiana Gifted and Talented Program.

For more information, contact Library Media Specialists Kathi Johnson, Delphi Community Middle School, and Becky Lain, Carroll Jr.-Sr. High School.



Delphi team - fierce competitor

The Delphi Middle School team, "Quatorze Lecteurs," narrowly missed victory in the Battle of the Books at Carroll Jr.-Sr. High School. Team members are pictured above, l-r: - Front row - Erika Matricia, Chelsey Marcotte, Allee Flora. Second row - Kaley Saul, Taylor Flora, Kara Laxson. Third row - Chelsea Flores, Grace Currie, Grace Mears, Jordan Hudelson. Photo provided

Delphi FFA presents awards at 26th annual banquet

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Delphi FFA held its annual banquet March 7. Opening ceremonies were led by the former officers. Brittany Wise and Kara Schwarzkopf presented a Year in Review slideshow.

Parents, members and community guests were served a meal prepared by the high school cafeteria and sponsored by Indiana Packers Corporation.

Recognition for community service events was given to the following:

- Relay for Life: Adam Lenard, Kisa Wood, C.J. Blunt,



Hoosier Degree

Delphi FFA member Nathan Trapp received three awards at the FFA annual banquet held March 7. Trapp received the Hoosier Degree and placed first in District V in forage production and beef production. Photo provided

Darci Bradshaw, Brittney Munday, Amber Caputo, James Melroy, Cody Hayden, Morgan Minnicus, Nathan Trapp, Brandon Rader, Mark Minnicus, Brittany Wise, Paige Keys, April Trapp, Brock Farrell, Alex Conner, Kristina Barnard, Kyle Davis and Sydney Smith;

- REMC annual meeting: Nicole Randle, Amber Caputo, Cody Hayden, Morgan Minnicus, April Trapp, Nathan Trapp, Brandon Rader, Mark Minnicus, Paige Keys, Brittney Wise and Katie Randle;

- Carroll County Ag Day: Nathan Trapp, Adam Leonard, Brandon Rader, Mark Minnicus and Mason Clawson;
- Senior citizen sweet corn: Nathan Trapp, Brandon Rader, C.J. Blunt, Mason Clawson, Morgan Minnicus, Natalie Garrison, Mark Minnicus, Paige Keys and Chris Royer;

- State fair set-up and work day: Morgan Minnicus, Cody Hayden, B.J. Lawson, Tyler Cocanower, Michael Clendening and Paige Keys;
- Christmas baskets and toy donations: Nathan Trapp, Mason Clawson, Brittney Wise, Tyler Cocanower, Morgan Minnicus, Mark Minnicus, Colt Little, April Trapp, Anne Mears and Katie Randle; and

- Test plot work: Nathan Trapp, Mark Minnicus and Brandon Rader.

Students recognized for area VIII career development events included:

- Soils judging team: Brittany Wise, Megan Rossetter, Abi Leahy and Ariel Randle;
- Horse judging team: Jessica Clendening, Shontell Garth, Brittney Munday and

Amanda Ennis; and Senior livestock judging team: Katie Jeffery, Brooke Mears and Amber Blackburn.

District V Leadership Contest winners included:

- Chapter meeting: Nathan Trapp, Brandon Rader, Mark Minnicus, Morgan Minnicus, Paige Keys, April Trapp, Kara Schwarzkopf, Kris Bender, Brooke Mears and Amber Blackburn;

- Essay: Nathan Trapp;
- Quiz Bowl: Colt Little and Tyler Cocanower;

- Wedding: Adam Lenard, Colt Little and Mark Minnicus;
- Ag Production: Brandon Rader and Nathan Trapp;

- Scapbook: Brittney Wise and Kara Schwarzkopf;
- Beef Production Proficiency: Nathan Trapp (advances to state competition);

- Forage Production Proficiency: Nathan Trapp (first place in District); and
- Hoosier FFA Degree: Nathan Trapp (fourth place in Star Farmer).

Star Agribusiness Award and Mental Attitude Award were presented to Zach White.

Greenhand officers for 2007-08 were named: Kara Schwarzkopf, president; Kris Bender, vice president; Kati Jeffery, secretary; Brooke Mears, treasurer; John Christiansen, reporter; Megan Rossetter, sentinel; and Amber Blackburn, advisor.

Chapter officers for 2007-08 are as follow: Morgan Minnicus, president; Chris Royer, vice president; Brittney Wise, secretary; Mason Clawson, treasurer; Cale Rader, sentinel; April Trapp, reporter; Adam Lenard, parliamentarian; and Alex Conner, advisor.

Businesses were recognized for provisions: Sherri Mears plots; Bart Walters and Beale for a hay wagon; Nathan Wil-

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FFA Star Chapter Farmers

Three Delphi FFA members received star chapter farmer awards at the annual banquet. Pictured are, from left: Adam Lenard, Morgan Minnicus and Kristina Barnard. Photo provided



FFA Greenhands

Delphi FFA members received Greenhand degrees at the March 7 annual banquet. Pictured are (l-r): Front - Dana Hufty, Megan Rossetter, Adam Cunningham, Katy Jeffery, Cody Hayden and Blier Williams. Back - Zach White, Lena Schock, Jonathon Christiansen, Kris Bender, Tanner Cripe, James Melroy and Derek Recter. Not pictured are Kara Schwarzkopf, Treal Harmon, Brooke Mears, Stef Fuller and Abbi Leahy. Photo provided



Delphi FFA members receive Chapter Farmer degrees

Chapter farmer degrees were presented at the Delphi FFA banquet. The highest degree a chapter can bestow on its members, the award is usually presented during the member's second or third year. To be eligible, members must earn and productively invest \$150 or work at least 45 hours outside the classroom in the SAE program, show individual achievement and have a satisfactory scholastic record among other requirements. Recipients pictured are, left to right: Kisa Wood, Autumn Ennis, B.J. Lawson, Jessica Clendening, Kari Lake, Michael Clendening, Cale Rader, Johnathan Hufford, Mason Clawson, Amber Caputo, Brittney Wise, Brock Farrell, Tyler Cochower, Amber Spitznagle, Kiersten Dirbas, Colt Little, Ariel Randle and Chris Royer. Photo provided

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