

THE DENMARK FFA ALUMNI NEWSLETTER

Supporting our agricultural youth by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth, and career success through agricultural education



FEBRUARY 3, 2006

SHOP AND SUPPLY SALE

The Denmark FFA Alumni will hold its Annual Shop and Supply Sale from February 13 – 18, 2006. Randy Wallander , of Wallander Supply, has a full array of shop tools, hardware, oil, etc. He is also able to access tool companies for repairs on your currently owned tools. There is something on his truck for everyone and if he does not have what you are looking for, he most likely will be able to obtain it. He has competitive prices and a great selection. For those who have purchased through the Shop and Supply Sale [f/k/a the Nut and Bolt Sale], THANK YOU!. Please know that your support is greatly appreciated by the Denmark FFA and agricultural education department. The success of this program depends upon you. We encourage you to allow us to stop in and show you what is available during the week of February 13-18, 2006. Please contact Chairperson Tony Pribyl with any questions or one of the following committee members:

Kevin Schweiner, 920.863.2689, Curran and Bolt
John Callaway, 920.863.6693, Shirley and Denmark
Dan Rosik, 920.863.6376, Langes Corner

David Salszeider, 920.863.3471, Eaton
David Schlies, 920.863.8814, Fontenoy
Tony Pribyl, 920.863.3547, Maribel

ANNUAL BANQUET / NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The Annual Denmark FFA Alumni banquet was held on January 21, 2006, at Potts' Beverly Gardens. Outgoing Board members who have served a three year term, each, were Stephanie Dantine, Peggy Ronk and Dave Schlies. Incoming Board members who "won" by unanimous vote were the following:

Ann Kozlovsky -- Ann and her husband Bernie own and operate a small dairy farm in the Langes Corners area. Ann is employed at the Denmark State Bank in Denmark, in the bookkeeping department. She and her husband have two children Rebecca 14 and Joey 8. Some of you may remember Ann from her involvement in numerous activities while a member of the Denmark FFA in the early 1980's. Ann was one of the first Denmark FFA students to be involved with the Gold Emblem Exchange program. "I look forward to getting to know more of you at upcoming alumni events."

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Patty Kraynik – Patty and her husband Tony own and operate a dairy farm in the Township of Glenmore. They began farming in 1988 – the year of the drought! She and her husband have four sons, Andy 8th grade and an FFA officer, Eric 6th grade, and twins Jacob and Josh in 4th grade. All the boys work on our farm -- nothing compares to the "on the job" experience. Patty was a Denmark FFA officer her senior year and also was raised on a dairy farm. "I will work my hardest to keep our Alumni number one. We have great people in and around Denmark and if we work together we can accomplish anything."

John Michiels – John and his wife Lynn live in the Town of Eaton. John is currently a Superintendent at Selmer Construction and has worked at Selmer for 17 years. John has obtained an associate degree from NWTIC in Electricity and a degree in Superintendent Training. He and his wife have three boys, Josh 21, Shane 18 [a Denmark FFA officer], and Alex 13. "I look forward to working with each of you in the next three years."



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Alumni Members and Friends

Hi and welcome to another year of serving and volunteering with the Denmark FFA Alumni. It is an honor to be serving as your President for 2006. If you are unfamiliar with who I am, here is a little about myself. My wife, Lonnie (Michiels) Loritz and I have been married for 18+ years. We have two children, Tyler, 16 and Brandon, 12.

We own and operate The Denmark Trophy Case located in Denmark. Lonnie is employed by the Denmark State Bank. I am a member of the Denmark Lions Club and a past president. We are members of Prince of Peace Parish in Pine Grove, Denmark Community Business Association, and are also involved in coaching youth baseball and basketball. Our hobbies include gardening, canning, lake fishing, turkey hunting, enjoying the wildlife in our backyard in the Town of Eaton and hanging out with the boys.

Please join me in welcoming three new board members: Ann Kozlovsky, Patty Kraynik and my brother-in-law, John Michiels. At our first board meeting held on Monday, January 30, 2006, the following officers were elected for the 2006 year: Eric Treml, Vice President, John Michiels, Secretary, and Ann Kozlovsky, Treasurer. It will be an exciting year of working with past board members and our new board members.

We are well into the year of activities with the Shop and Supply Sale (f/k/a Nut and Bolt Sale) under the direction of Tony Pribyl and John Michiels getting underway in the next week. Information about the Shop and Supply Sale was on the front page of this newsletter. We also have the Annual FFA Alumni Fruit Sale running simultaneously with the Shop and Supply Sale under the direction of Jim Wavrunek and James Grasee. Orders for the fruit sale are due by February 17, 2006, with delivery on March 1, 2006. A list of all committee members and a sample order form are within this newsletter. These are two huge fund raisers for the Alumni and everyone's help is needed, so please pitch in wherever possible.

After these two fundraisers, we begin preparations for the Breakfast on the Farm and State FFA Convention in June, the Blue and Gold Golf Outing and Raffle and Brown County Fair in August, and finally the National Convention in late October/November. Remember, this year the National Convention is much closer to home ---- Indianapolis, Indiana. I hope to see a large contingency of the nationally renowned Denmark FFA Alumni at both the State and National Conventions.

If you ever have a concern or question, please feel free to contact myself, or any member of the board. The full list of board members is included in this newsletter, as well as the 2006 Supported FFA Activities which was approved at the Annual Banquet on January 21, 2006.

I look forward to working with the community and Alumni members in the coming year.

Sincerely,

Joe Loritz



KEEPING YOU UP-TO-DATE

NOTE: All "thank you" letters from Denmark FFA students and other FFA students throughout Wisconsin are printed in their entirety, as written, by the students. It is necessary to print even letters "which are a little old" so that the Alumni is aware that students are grateful for our efforts.

Dear Alumni:

Thank you so much for helping our students make it to the FFA National Convention this year. Without your help, none of us would have been able to go without your financial help, the trip simply would have been too expensive. Thank you for sticking with the FFA, and again, for help us out!

Ricky Terrien

Dear Denmark FFA Alumni,

First of all, I would like to say I was very proud to represent Denmark FFA at the National FFA Convention, and am proud to be a member. I would like to thank you for everything that you do for all the members of the Denmark FFA. Also, I would like to thank you for paying for a large portion of my trip to Kentucky. Without an Alumni like we have, us students would not be able to experience the many things we do. Thank you again so much.

Sincerely, Kari Delahaut

Dear Mr. Wavrunek:

Thank you so much for taking the FFA Christmas Caroling! We all had a BALL! We Enjoyed riding in the back of the truck, or on the "Cadillac wagon", or even in the FFA Van!



It was especially nice to have taken us on your birthday!!! You are a very generous man. We wish you could have joined us for pizza and hot chocolate afterward. We ate

17 pizza and drank 7 gallons of hot chocolate. Pretty good huh?

Well, you sure made a fund evening for all of us. Thank you again.

Denmark FFA Members

Alana Alexander, Nicole Denny, Briana Keahiolah, Jennifer Kane, Hannah Metz, Katie Deterville, Jessi Diring, Ashley Krueger, Sarah Wanek, Sarah Frelich, Bethany, Patersen, Joanna Wavrunek, Bailey Grant, Joshua Shimonek, Davis LaMarchey, Mike Buhr, Tony Lau, Ariel Ripp, Alicia Meunier, Alysha Ness, Stephanie Scherer, Breanna Rosik, Megan Gauthier, Emily Watzka, Jennifer Vander Kinter, Jackie Rentmeester, Brianna Wavrunek

Dear FFA Alumni,

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the wonderful gift you gave me. By helping me to attend the National FFA Convention, you have gained many new ideas that I picked up from other FFA members from across the nation. The experiences were great, such as seeing the beautiful animals at Grant's farm to the breathtaking views from atop the Saint Louis Arch.



Even with all of the fun we had, we still learned a lot and many of the FFA members that went on the trip are now changed. They have be some members set on success and helping others. Without helping others, then what is one's purpose in life? FFA made it all clear to me and many others.

Thank you for the wonderful opportunity.

Josh Dart

Dear FFA Alumni,

I take this opportunity to thank you for your generous donation of \$250.00 to our Mississippi FFA/FFA Alumni Hurricane Relief Program. Your donation was appreciated by FFA members from the hurricane affected area and was received with a humble and grateful heart. Your donation was a blessing to needy individuals and was put to good use.

KEEPING YOU UP-TO-DATE

Some of the donations provided to us were used for direct help to FFA members. Some funds were used to purchase gift cards for deserving FFA members. Some funds were used to help FFA Chapters for their needs. Some donations went to FFA Advisors who had serious destruction to their homes or loss of their homes to provide a little relief.

Our organization appreciates your generosity. I appreciate your community minded spirit and willingness to donate in this situation. I am proud to know there are so many good people with generous hearts.



Your Alumni chapter has won national awards as an outstanding chapters and we believe you deserved that distinction. You are outstanding to us. May you continue your success in helping FFA. Again, thank you for your generous donation. It went to a worthy cause.

Monte Ladner, National FF Alumni Council Member, Mississippi FFA Alumni State Coordinator

Wise Wisdom from our new President:

When 24 hours in a day are not enough, remember the mayonnaise jar.

A professor stood before his philosophy class and had some items in front of him. When the class began, wordlessly, he picked up a very large and empty mayonnaise jar and proceeded to fill it with golf balls. He then asked the class if the jar was full. They all agreed that it was.



So the professor then picked up a box of pebbles and poured them into the jar. He shook the jar lightly. The pebbles rolled into the open areas between the golf balls. He asked his students again if the jar was full. They agreed it was.

The professor next picked up a box of sand and poured it into the jar. Of course, the sand filled up everything else. He asked once more if the jar was full. The students responded with a unanimous "yes".

The professor then produced two cans of beer from under of the table and poured the entire contents into the

jar, effectively filling the empty space between the sand. The students laughed.

"Now" said the professor, as the laughter subsided, "I want you to recognize that this jar represents your life. The golf balls are the important things-your family, your children, your friends, your health, your favorite passions- things that if everything else was lost and only they remained, your life would still be full. The pebbles are the other things that matter like your job, your house, your car. The sand is everything else -- the small stuff.



If you put the sand into the jar first," he continued, "there is no room for pebbles or the golf balls. The same goes for life. If you spend all of your time on the small stuff, you will never have room for the things that are important to you. Pay attention to the things that are critical to your happiness. Play with your children.



Take time for medical checkups. Take your partner out to dinner. Play another 18. There will always be time to clean the house, and fix the disposal. Take care of the golf balls first, the things that really matter. Set your priorities. The rest is just sand.

A student raised her hand and inquired what the beer represented. The professor smiled. "I'm glad you asked. It goes to show you that no matter how full your life may seem, there's always room for a couple of beers."

This is something that was shared with me and I felt it was worth sharing. If there is something that you think is worth sharing, please forward it to myself at denmarktrophycase@centurytel.net and I will try to get it in the newsletter.

Join us for the 4th Annual Cancer Volleyball Tournament, Blindsman Volleyball, on March 25, 2006, at The Coop.

The benefit is to raise money for the Finish Line Cancer Walk. Please contact board member, Nancy Kellner, at 920.265.5361 with any questions.

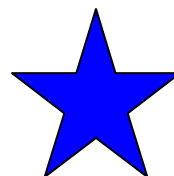
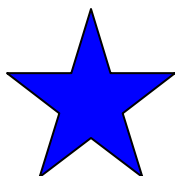




Meet your 2006 Board of Directors!



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2006 ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED BY THE DENMARK FFA ALUMNI

SCHOLARSHIPS: Provide \$5,000.00 (maximum) in scholarships for senior agriculture education/FFA members, at a technical or four (4) year college. Two (2) scholarships will be specifically designated as (1) the Ken Seering Scholarship of Excellence, and (2) the George Roberts Memorial Scholarship. A maximum of \$100.00 will be added to any National FFA Alumni Scholarship given in honor of any of our deceased lifetime alumni members during the year of their death. Upon the death of any of our past board members who were life members, our alumni will add \$150.00 to the National FFA Alumni Scholarship given in their honor.

STATE PROFICIENCY AWARD: Provide \$560.00 (maximum) for two (2) Wisconsin State proficiency Awards.

NATIONAL FFA CONVENTION: Provide \$40.00 (maximum) per FFA member IF rules of conduct are followed; provide \$50.00 per official Alumni delegate.

STATE FFA CONVENTION: Provide \$400.00 (maximum) to Denmark FFA Delegation as a whole.

STATE FFA ALUMNI CONVENTION: Provide registration and lodging for the attendance of one (1) FFA Advisor/Agriculture Instructor.

NORTHEAST WISCONSIN JR. LIVESTOCK SHOW: Provide \$2,000.00 (maximum) for NE Livestock Show, Manitowoc County Fair (\$400.00), Kewaunee Fair (\$400.00), and Brown County Fair (\$400.00); above market price for animal and product items (\$300.00 limit) of local FFA'ers to show positive support for the youth projects.

FFA WEEK AD: Provide \$100.00 (maximum) for 2004 advertisement.



FFA WORKER AUCTION: Provide \$500.00 (maximum) on bids at Denmark FFA Worker Auction.

DAIRY PROMOTIONS: Provide \$600.00 (maximum) for promotion of dairy products at various FFA activities such as petting zoos, June Dairy Month promos, and FFA Week activities.

FFA JACKETS: Provide one-half (1/2) of the cost of a FFA member's first jacket.

LIVESTOCK PROJECT GRANT: Provide \$600.00 (maximum) for a freshman or sophomore FFA member(s) in the areas of dairy, beef, equine, swine, or sheep.

VAN MAINTENANCE: Provide major repairs/maintenance, tires, etc.

GOLD EMBLEM EXCHANGE PROGRAM: Provide \$400.00 (maximum) travel money to a high school FFA member selected for this exchange program (state and chapter visiting will vary each year).

LOCAL PROGRAM SUPPORT: Provide 50% financial support for the following 2006 FFA member activities: Food For America Programs, Made for Excellence Conference, Washington Leadership Conference Program, Halftime Conference, Greenhand Workshop, Farm Forum, Co-op Conference and EDGE Conference.

FFA MEETING REFRESHMENTS: Provide \$600.00 (maximum) for both the high school and middle school FFA member meetings.

SECTIONAL, STATE, or NATIONAL ALUMNI OFFICERS: Provide financial support to aide in covering expenses incurred due to their office, when not already covered by another source.

FFA AWARDS BANQUET: Provide \$500.00 (maximum) for awards.

AWARDS

LIFE MEMBERSHIP: Provide \$50.00 toward the cost of life membership for any graduating FFA senior who chooses to become a life member before the Annual FFA Banquet of this year.

DENMARK FFA ALUMNI ANNUAL FRUIT SALE



It's that time of year again . . . the Annual Denmark FFA Alumni Fruit Sale. Again this year the sale will be handled through Heim Trucking of Denmark, Wisconsin. We have appreciated the many years of quality products we have received from them. The committee chairpersons this year are Jim Wavrunek and James Grasee. All profits are used to support the programs in the Denmark agricultural education department the Denmark FFA program. Thanks in advance for your support in this fundraiser! If you would like to place an order, but are not contacted, please feel free to contact one of the following individuals:

Jim Wavrunek
863-8071
Tony Pribyl
Dale Fidler
Gerald Chervenka
Alan Mazna
Glenn Steinhorst
Kevin Schweiner
Leslie Van Groll

James Grasee
863-5539
Peggy Ronk
Ken Storzer
Jim Heier
Norb VanDeHei
Ron/Joy Frelich
Darlene Gauger
Joe Loritz

Dan Steinhorst
863-8959
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Dave Rasmussen
Hub Hermans
Marie Salzsieder
Janice Steinhorst
John Calaway
K. Aschenbrenner

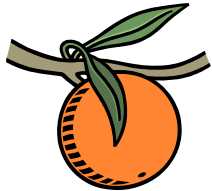
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Mark Jahnke
Ann Kozlovsky
Marilyn Madsen
John Michiels
Lee Miller
Tina Kvitek



The deadline for ordering fruit is **February 17, 2006**; fruit will be delivered on **March 1, 2006**.



ORDER FORM

Product	Count	Full Case	Half Case
Naval Oranges	4/5 bu. Count 88	\$24.00	\$12.00
Pink Grapefruit	4/5 bu. Count 48	\$24.00	\$12.00
Wash. Red Del.	1 bu. Count 113	\$30.00	\$15.00
Wash. Golden Del	1 bu./113	\$30.00	\$15.00
Granny Smith	1 bu. Count 113	\$30.00	\$15.00
Anjou Pears Count 100	100 Count	\$32.00	\$16.00
Mixed Box	12 grapefruit, 22 oranges, 22 red delicious, 20 pears	\$30.00	\$15.00
Fancy Russet Baking Potatoes	50 pound bag	\$13.00	\$13.00
Fancy Russet Baking Potatoes	25 pound bag	\$7.00	\$7.00

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THE DENMARK FFA ALUMNI CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February 10-11, 2006	Wisconsin State FFA Alumni Convention, Holiday Inn, Manitowoc
February 18-25, 2006	FFA Week
February 18, 2006	FFA Snow Fest Dance, DHS Cafetorium
February 27, 2006	Board of Director's meeting, Mrs. Fischl's home, Seymour
March 27, 20056	Worker's Auction – DHS Gymnasium
April 25, 2006	Annual Denmark FFA Banquet