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INTERESTING PROGRAM HELD IN STORE FOR AWARDS BANQUET

Final plans for the Soil Conservation Awards Banquet will feature the following events, according to Henry Brueck, District Chairman.

On the afternoon of the Banquet, March 27th, from 2:00 to 6:30 P.M., an election for a District Commissioner will be held at the Old Armory, Ida Grove. Robert B. Mitchell, Arthur, and Harlan Dausel, Battle Creek are the men running for the position now held by the retiring Henry Brueck, Battle Creek.

The evening banquet beginning at 6:30 P.M. will beature Sue Jacobsen providing organ music during the meal. Serving the roast beef dinner will be the Ida County 4-H girls.

Dave Hessman, Extension Director, will M.C. The program featuring an interview and a song by Linda Krager, 1966 Iowa Queen of Conservation.

The State Conservationist, Frank H. Mendell, will remark on Soil Conservation progress and award winners in this area.

Presenting the three regional awards and sweepstakes winner will be the Des Moines Register and Tribune.

Dr. Wayne Scholtes, Professor of Agronomy will speak on "I Have Been Where You Are Going."

The program will end with the announcement of the election returns for District Commissioner.

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AWARDS BANQUET TO HONOR REGIONAL FARMERS

Soil Conservation Awards Banquet will honor the three regional division winners and sweepstakes winners. Recognition awards will be given to (Division I and Sweepstake winner) Family operated farm, Bruce and Russell Goodenow, Battle Creek, Ida County; (Division II) Tenant operated farm, Vernon Bunkers, tenant, and Mrs. Catherine Keffler and Andrew Sonsma, owners, Remsen, Plymouth County; (Division III) New ~~co~~operator, Teunis Fluit, tenant, Rock Rapids, and Henry Raymaker and Adelphe Tepaske, owners, Sioux Center, Lyon County.

The Iowa Soil Conservation Achievement Awards Program begins with the selection of winners for the three divisions in each Soil Conservation District.

The three winners are then sent to the Area Division for selection of the regional winners. The regional winner are finally forwarded to the State Division for selection of the three sweepstakes winners. Each contestant is judged on six criteria. They are correct land-use. Land conversion, completeness of conservation treatments, conservation work accomplished, crop utilization on farm, and community service in Soil Conservation District program.

This awards program is sponsored by the Des Moines Register and Tribune and the Iowa Farm and Home Register in cooperation with the following organizations: United States Dept. of Agriculture-Soil Conservation Service, Iowa State University Extension Service, Iowa State Soil Conservation Committee, Iowa Association of Soil Conservation District Commissioners, and Soil Conservation Society of America.

The Soil Conservation Awards Banquet, open to the public, will be held in the Community Building (Old Armory) on March 27th at 6:30 P.M.