



The FHA had an action packed 1983-84 year. Fall Activities included a candy bar sale (which netted \$600), initiation, fall conference at Central Michigan University, and Thanksgiving Dinner. Winter season activities included singing Christmas carols at the Maple Valley Nursing Home and for the food with friends. A pizza party where gifts were exchanged also marked the season.

Katrina McQuiston was elected as the regional vice-president and attended monthly meetings. She was involved in planning the FHA State Regional Meeting for May 9, 1984, organizing a Pen Pal exchange, and an FHA visitors day. During February FHA Week was celebrated with Mr. John Thomas being presented with a vocational service award and the Ashley Chapter awarding the first baby born in Gratiot County with a gift certificate.



In March the Rock-a-thon had people earning their way to the state convention at Western Michigan University. On April 13 (a Friday) they had a dance and gave albums away as door prizes. In May Karin Burlingame, Katrina McQuiston, Shirley Porubsky, Marie Saylor, Lori Payne, and Tammy Conklin attended the 38th annual state convention. The theme was "Reflections" and the goal was to DISCOVER and REFLECT your image as a unique individual. The Ashley chapter won a "Plus 10" award for increasing membership by ten over last year.

Karin Burlingame and Lori Payne brought awards home from the convention both placed second in the junior consumer clothing and senior job interview competitions respectively.



Officers were: Shirley Porubsky-president, Lisa Saylor-vice-president, Kim Laplow-Secretary-Treasurer, and Tracy Bellinger-Historian-Reporter.