

# Efficient swine herd earns FFA trip

MIFFLINBURG — A salesman's chance visit launched Daryl Beiler on a job that he loves and that has made him one of four finalists in a national awards program.

The 1979 Mifflinburg Area High School graduate has a hog finishing enterprise involving some 1800 animals per year. The operation has earned him the right to

compete for the national Future Farmers of American swine production proficiency award in Kansas City, Missouri, in November.

"It all started in August of '78 when a salesman from Rhoads Mill in Selinsgrove visited our farm," explained Beiler. "He was talking about raising hogs by contract, and I got interested in it."



Mifflinburg FFA member Daryl Beiler checks the automatic feeding system in his hog confinement building. Beiler is one of four finalists who will

Under such a contract, the feed mill supplies the pigs and feed to a grower, who cares for the animals until they are sold. The grower is guaranteed two cents per pound of net growth per pig and 75 percent of any profit realized. By the following February, Beiler had financed a building which could hold 640 animals through the Farm Credit

Association and entered into a contract with the mill. He finished three batches of 640 pigs in 12 months, marketing the animals directly to the packer to minimize commission fees and hauling expenses.



Daryl Beiler

Earlier this year, Beiler earned a first place state FFA proficiency award in swine production, then went on to capture first place in North Atlantic regional competition. He will compete with three other national finalists from Minnesota, Alabama, and Colorado during the 53rd FFA National Convention November 10 to 14 in Kansas City.

One and one-half days of interviews and a review of his application and farm records dating back to ninth grade await the 18-year-old candidate. He must also submit a slide presentation on his operation.

"The awards committee considers the scope and efficiency of the enterprise," explained FFA advisor Glenn Spangler. "It also looks at what a person has learned and where he's headed."

Efficiency is a major goal set by Beiler, who hopes to finish his animals on average at 220 pounds per pig finished, reduce death loss to one to two percent, and achieve a feed conversion of 3.2 pounds of feed per pound of weight gain.

"I'll set new goals when these are reached," he added.

By August of 1981, he hopes to have his own feed grinding operation and someday to farm about 300 acres to supply his own feed.

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