

## Central Cove FFA honors top members



Numerous awards were presented by local farmers. From left are Lester Longenecker; Joel Pheasant, Keystone Farmer; Jay Metzker; Mike Burket, dairy award; Carol Frederick, Ra-Lo award; Stanley Kensinger, Keystone Farmer; and Ralph Glass.

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**MARTINSBURG** — The Central Cove FFA Chapter held its annual banquet April 9 at the Central Cove High School in Martinsburg.

South Central vice president Bruce Lemmon offered greetings from the state association and presented Keystone Farmer pins to Carol Frederick, Joel Pheasant and Stanley Kensinger. Each Keystone Farmer also received a \$25 savings bond from Lester Longenecker.

Carol Frederick received the Ra-Lo Farms Award, which is given to the top senior in academic achievement. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Glass presented the award.

Jay and Debbie Metzger presented the Cove Valley Dairy Award to Mike Burket. Each year a \$50 savings bond is presented to the top dairy student.

The Galen F. Wineland Award, presented to the top ag mechanics student, went to Larry Kensinger. Joel and Teddie Wineland presented the \$100 savings bond.

Jim Bloom presented the Agway Outstanding Farm Accountant Award to Andy Greenleaf, the top record keeper. He received a plaque and savings bond.

Foundation medals and proficiency awards went to the following students: dairy production, Mike Burket and Troy Metzler; beef production, John Harker; soil and land management, Melissa Merritts; work experience, Larry Kensinger; crop production, Mike Burket; poultry, Carol Frederick; fruit and/or vegetable production, Mackie Igou; Star Greenhand, Ryan Hinton; Star Chapter Farmer, Andy Greenleaf; and public speaking, Robert Bailey and Shawn Kauradar.

Receiving gold medals in the area project book contest were



Stanley Kensinger, left, Carol Frederick, Mike Burket and Andy Greenleaf, receive plaques for their achievements.



Mr. Ruth, left, and Mr. Korona, front, congratulate Keystone Farmers Joel Pheasant, Stanley Kensinger and Carol Frederick.

Larry Kensinger, Andy Greenleaf, Mike Burket and Robbie Hinton. Silver medal winners were Carol Frederick, Stanley Kensinger, John Harker, Troy Metzler, and Scott Mowery.

Bronze medals went to Melissa Merritts, Randy Rhodes and Mackie Igou.

Students who have accumulated

60 or more points for leadership involvement and project achievements included Mike Burket, Andy Greenleaf, Carol Frederick and Stanley Kensinger.

Betsy Stitt was recognized for receiving the American Farmer Degree at the 58th National FFA Convention.

## Somerset youth wins 4-H Commodity Marketing trip

**UNIVERSITY PARK** — A Somerset youth who runs his own antique auto restoration business and raises sheep for profit has won a trip to the 25th annual 4-H Commodity Marketing Symposium at the Palmer House in Chicago.

David C. Antram, son of Robert and Roberta Antram of Somerset, is among 40 youths who were selected by the Cooperative Extension Service to attend the event, to be held April 19 through 23. The event is sponsored by the Chicago Board of Trade.

Antram was selected for his outstanding 4-H commodity marketing project. He raised and marketed 20 lambs during his 10

years with 4-H for a total profit of \$1,039, and he presently owns 40 breeding sheep worth \$4,175. The 4-H'er gained skills in purchasing and registering purebreds through the Pennsylvania State University performance sheep sales.

Along with his livestock holdings, Antram also restores antique sedans. Two of his successes were a \$2,000 Kaiser sedan worth \$4,500 after restoration, and a 1953 Kaiser Traveler finished in 1983. For his efforts, Antram won a scholarship and a trip to the 1984 National 4-H Congress as an automotive program national winner.

At the symposium, Antram will

learn how the basic principles of marketing, distribution and utilization apply to commodities sold in cash markets and traded in futures markets of major exchanges.

He'll participate in seminars, tours and activities involving the use of futures markets as a management tool, and he'll learn how to apply his market knowledge to ongoing 4-H projects.

The symposium includes a visit to the Chicago Board of Trade floor, where participants will meet trade board officials, traders and marketing representatives. The visit will end with a simulated pit trading exercise.

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