

FFA To Present Keystone Degrees To 204

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Shelly Straub

Shelly Straub, 17, daughter of Mary Straub (Brouse), of Port Trevorton, has been assistant sentinel and a reporter for the Selinsgrove FFA during her four years as a member.



Shelly has been involved in laboratory skills, rabbit production and raising dogs as her FFA projects. She has been a member of the chapter's Membership, Small Animal Chain, Recreation, Fruit Sales, FFA Week, Banquet, Community Service, Exhibit, and Program committees.

She has earned her Greenhand, chapter and Sun area degrees. Among her awards are those for land judging, the Matthew L. Straub Conservation Award, soil judging, a proficiency award and a small animal production proficiency award.

Though not specifying any specific field of study, Straub said she intends to attend college.

Curtis Stroup

Curtis Stroup, 17, son of Richard and Luann Stroup, of Richfield, has been involved in poultry, swine and work experience projects during his four years as a member of the Middleburg FFA. He listed his achievements as serving as the chapter's assistant advisor and earning Greenhand, chapter



and area farmer degrees. After high school, he said he plans to race.

Martin Stutzman

Martin Stutzman, 17, son of James and Doris Stutzman, of Meyersdale, is currently vice president of the Meyersdale FFA Chapter, and is a four-year member.

His projects include showing dairy animals for three years, competing in parliamentary procedure, serving on the chapter's Banquet Committee. He has also served as his chapter's assistant reporter.

He has received a number of awards during his involvement with FFA, including some for public speaking, parliamentary procedure, dairy judging and tractor driving. He also earned his Greenhand, scholarship and chapter degrees.

He said he intends to pursue a college degree in agriculture.

Charles Swanson

Charles J. Swanson, 17, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Swanson, of Conestoga, has been a four-year member of the Manor FFA Chapter, having served on its Banquet, Taffy Pull, and Fund Raiser committees.

He also has participated in dairy shows, the state Farm Show, and raised lambs. Outside of FFA, he is involved in soccer, the Pequea BIC Youth Group, and in a group called Peer Helping.

Swanson said he intends to pursue a col-

lege degree and career in engineering. He lists his hobbies as cars and mechanics.

Jim Sweigart

Jim Sweigart, 18, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sweigart, of Beavertown, has been involved in a number of SAE projects involving turkeys, rabbits, strawberries and chickens during his four years with the West Snyder FFA Chapter.

Jim also has been in on-farm work experience and served as chairman of his chapter Scholarship Committee and earned his Greenhand, chapter and area Keystone degrees. He also won a proficiency award in agricultural sales and service. Among his other FFA involvements, Sweigart has attended the national FFA convention.

He said he plans to work at the Wood-Mode factory after high school.

Lynda Sweinhart

Lynda Sweinhart, 17, daughter of Curt and Thelma Sweinhart, of New Enterprise, is currently secretary of the Northern Bedford FFA Chapter and has been a member for three years, serving as the chapter's chaplain last year.

Lynda said she would eventually like to buy her own farm, and has been involved in FFA projects raising broilers, sheep,

swine and finishing sheep.

Sweinhart has also served on the chapter's Citrus, Program of Work, Cider, FFA Week, and Recreation committees. Among her activities, she has competed as the Bedford County Fair, at the national FFA convention, in her county's Holstein Field Day, the Penn State FFA Activities Week, and in land judging.

She has earned her Greenhand and chapter degrees, and has taken a second place in land judging, a bronze medal in record book keeping, a proficiency award in beef production and diversified livestock.

Joe Swank

Joe Swank, 18, son of Molly and Clair Swank, of Somerset, has been sentinel and student advisor during his three years with the Somerset County AVTS FFA Chapter.

Joe said he has participated in county FFA judging contests including those in wildlife, forestry, the Envirothon, demonstrations, parliamentary procedure and a record book contest. At the state level, he has competed in forestry knowledge, in the demonstration and project book contests. Regionally, he participated in the Eastern States Forestry Contest, and the National FFA Forestry Contest.

He has also served on his chapter's Banquet, BOAC, Dues, Farm Show, FFA Week, Forestry Field Meet, Chapter Procedure, Photography, Social, Sports and Sweinhart committees.

After high school, he said he intends to attend the Pennsylvania School of Technology and study forestry.

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